Headmaster's Newsletter

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Term 3

Happy New Year

We have been talking to the children about New Year Resolutions. I hope they have shared them with you.

With the weather turning colder and forecasts of snow in other parts of the country, I would remind Parents/Carers to re-read the letter to all Parents/Carers about emergency weather closures sent out and make a note of where to find information.

Please can you help ease the congestion by parking further away from school and walking. The walk up Plummers Hill will definitely get the heart pumping after the festive break!

Attendance for the whole school to date is 92,8% which is far below the expectation of a good or better school (96%). It would be fantastic if we could get our school attendance even higher. Please help us 'Rise to this challenge'.

After School Clubs

Clubs

The clubs will return this week if you have signed up.

Stay Safe

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

Pupils do need to be accompanied in the playground at the start of the day. Until the children are safely inside school you are responsible for their safety on the school grounds. Only adults **aged 16 or over** can pick up children from class.

Please also remember to inform the School Office if your contact email address has changed. All correspondence will now be sent home electronically.

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Be Healthy

Walk to School

The Christmas break has been and gone, let's get everyone walking to school. It will also help the children to get more regular exercise and feel fresh and ready for a school day after a morning's brisk walk. Far better than sitting in the traffic.

Enjoy and Achieve

The children have started to find out about their new topics and good attendance is really important if gaps are not to start appearing in the children's learning.

All Teachers have reported about their Classes and any concerns they had about the progress the children have been making.

Lack of support at home can be a real barrier for children learning the basic skills of reading, writing and arithmetic. If you would like advice please talk to your child's Class Teacher.

Look out for information about the Phonic Check in Year 1 and 2 and please do try and attend the meetings.

In the coming months a number of school visits are planned, if you can help on the visit please contact your Class Teacher and they will explain the next steps if you currently do not hold a DBS Certificate.

The voluntary contribution ensures we can afford to enrich the Pupils' learning by taking them on educational visits. Parental volunteers ensure we have enough adults to keep the children safe when learning off site.

Without your support we would be unable to offer school trips for all our Pupils.



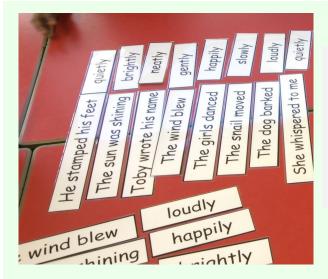
Early Symmetry Art (Reception)

Positive Contribution



Thank you for your support in 2024.

We will continue to raise money and awareness of good causes at home and abroad in 2025, to help the children understand the wider world around them.



Puzzle:

2 pieces of coal and a carrot are lying on the grass in a garden in early Spring. How did they get there?

Recycling

For the first year we will be managing the recycling of our tree within the school grounds, feeding the soil around the plants as mulch.

Pic: Using adverbs



Cook Book

Win 10 House Points!

Teach us how to make your favourite meal so we can create a Summerhill Cookbook. It could be a savoury or sweet dish, vegetarian, vegan, fish or meat from here in the UK or from around the world.

You will need to remember to tell us the ingredients, how to prepare it in steps and how long to cook it for and at what temperature if it needs to go in the oven. You will need your Parents/Carers help.

Deadline : Friday 10th February 2023



USING CREATIVITY TO EXPLORE, EDUCATE & EMPOWER

Newsflash!

We are delighted to announce that we will be working with Unique Voice to offer Breakfast and After school places for children very soon following a successful bid to Bristol City Council. Unique Voice will offer the wraparound care for our pupils and offer creative workshops each session. Look out for further information.

Volunteers

Q: Can you help the school by listening to the children read their key words?

If you can spare a morning or afternoon to come and help in school then the answer is YES. Please see the School Office about helping in

'Rise to each challenge—Shine with success'



School Council Minutes

When available School Council Minutes will be found here:

School Council Meeting 11.11.24	
Register	Cobie Elsie Nora Rumi Jack Ava Seren Ollie
Review actions	n/a
Today's agenda	 Cut Your Carbon Month – feedback from all classes – what sort of response are we seeing? Create 'Cut Your Carbon' posters to encourage as many people as possible to get involved. Go through/practice class share (below).
Future actions	 In classes Share 'Cut Your Carbon' posters and display in class. Class feedback – how many children have already completed their Cut Your Carbon checklist? How many have started, but still have some actions left to tick off? Remind children that they have the whole month to complete it. Bring your completed checklist into school and your teacher will award you 6 house points (one for every completed action). Keep the completed sheets in your class and School Council will tally up our whole school total at the end of the month.

School Development

At Summerhill Infant School we strive to provide an outstanding learning environment for all our children each and every day.

We also believe that our Parents/Carers play a crucial role in every child's educational and personal development. If you would like to know more about school life or have any ideas or suggestions please contact me through the School Office. Friends of Summerhill also have a suggestion box by the School Office.

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