



## SEBERT WOOD PARENT/CARER WEEKLY UPDATES

We hope you had a great half term break, enjoying the sunshine. The children have been keen to tell us all about their holiday and they have been really happy to have been able to see more friends and relatives and many have been away on long overdue holidays, all staycations of course!

It's been a busy start to the last half term of this academic year and we continue with our recovery curriculum to ensure any gaps in learning are being addressed, through our skilled team of teachers and support staff. Those children who are eligible for our 'catch up' interventions are now focusing on maths alongside all their other work.

We all hope that the National situation continues to improve but we await the government's announcement and any updated school guidance. In the meantime we are still asking adults and visitors to continue to wear facemasks on the school site.

There is a lot of excitement in school amongst the children (and staff!) about the forthcoming Euro's football tournament so let's hope that when we return to school on Monday we can celebrate England's first victory! Please see dates for your diary below—it's lovely to see things starting to fill on the calendar again!

Have a great weekend

Peter Dewhurst & everyone at Sebert Wood

### SEBERT WOOD SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP!

We are very pleased to confirm a 6 week Summer Camp at Sebert Wood during the summer holidays. Commencing Monday 19th July through to Friday 27th August for Reception—YR6.

This will be a mixture of fun activities on the school field and using the UKS2 studio

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays 9am—3pm Rugbytots, Multi-Sports Activity Camp

Every Friday 9am—3pm Reece Coaching, Football, Dodgeball and Rounders (Multi-Sports) Camp

FULL DETAILS TO FOLLOW NEXT WEEK & BOOKING WILL OPEN —thank you for your patience!

### An important reminder

Please do not allow your child to climb or use any of the play equipment before or after school. For the safety of the children play equipment is only to be used during supervised school hours, thank you.

### A note regarding taking Holidays Abroad & Foreign Travel:

When completing leave of absence forms for holidays/ travelling abroad please do state the country you are travelling to. The Red/Amber/Green lists are consistently changing, the current guidance for returning from an amber list country is on arrival in England you must:

- Quarantine at home or in the place you are staying for 10 days
- Take a COVID-19 test on or before day 2 and on or after day 8
- Children aged 4 and under do not need to take the day 2 or day 8 test.

### SEN UPDATE

Suffolk SENDIASS (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Advice and Support Service) is a confidential and impartial information, advice and support service on issues related to Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND). The service is free, easy to access and confidential.

They can help parents, children and young people take part in decisions that affect their lives. They offer information, advice and support to:

- ♦ Children and Young People (up to 25 years) with SEND
- ♦ Parents and Carers of children with SEND
- ♦ Practitioners (who might be supporting the children, young people or parents to access our service
- ♦ <https://www.suffolksendiass.co.uk/>

If you would like to discuss anything further, please email [admin@sebertwood.co.uk](mailto:admin@sebertwood.co.uk) for the attention of our SENDCO and Inclusion Lead, Mrs Sharon Dade.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

w/c 21st June 2021	YR6 WW2 enrichment week
Friday 25th June 2021	FOSWS Sponsored Adventure Trail YR1-YR6 pupils <i>Year group timings TBC</i> To volunteer as a marshall, please email foswsteam@gmail.com
Monday 5th July 2021	YR6 Sports Day 9.30am—11am RECEPTION 1.30pm—2.30pm
Tuesday 6th July 2021	YR1 Sports Day 9.30am—11am YR2 Sports Day 1.30pm—3pm
Wednesday 7th July 2021	YR4 Sports Day 9.30am—11am NURSERY 1.30pm—2.30pm
Thursday 8th July 2021	YR5 Sports Day 9.30am—11am
Friday 9th July 2021	YR3 Sports Day 9.30am—11am
Tuesday 13th & Wednesday 14th July 2021	Sybil Andrews YR6 Transition days Thurston YR6 Transition days
Friday 16th July 2021	LAST DAY OF TERM
Monday 19th July & Tuesday 20th July 2021	STAFF PD DAYS <i>school closed for pupils</i>
Monday 19th July & Tuesday 20th July 2021	St Benedicts YR6 Transition days
Tuesday 20th July	KEGS YR6 Transition day (TBC)
Wednesday 1st September 2021	STAFF PD DAY <i>school closed for pupils</i>
Thursday 2nd September 2021	PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL
Friday 22nd October 2021	STAFF PD DAY <i>school closed for pupils</i>
Monday 25th October—Friday 29th October 2021	HALF TERM WEEK

**\*\*** Please note ALL sports days will be held at Sebert Wood School this year. Please may we ask just 2 family members (excluding siblings) supporting each child, thank you.

## YEAR GROUP WEEKLY UPDATES

**Year 6** Thank you to those who sent in fabric for the children's sewing: everyone has enjoyed making their drawstring bags, practising their sewing skills in preparation for another 'make do and mend' activity during WW2 week. This week, the children learnt about the life of Anne Frank and have written some fantastic biographical pieces about her life. They thoroughly enjoyed experiencing the virtual tour of the secret annex, as well as watching an alternative version of her life, with her diary being replaced by a vlog.

Next week, the children will be sitting their final set of practice SAT papers and we will run this week in the style of an 'actual' SATs week as this is still a valuable experience for them.

Please see a separate letter to parents regarding RSC which will be sent to you by email, thank you.

As mentioned before half term, we would really appreciate any materials that can be used for collage. Please can these be brought into ASAP so that we can assess whether the project can go ahead or not.

Homework for this week:

Reading: Poetry - The dragons are hiding – Due: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June

Maths: Times table Rock Stars

Enjoy the sunshine, Year 6 Team

**Year 5** We hope that you had a lovely half term and enjoyed the sunshine. It's hard to believe that we are now in the final half term of Year 5! This week the children have been very persuasive in their discussions about the end of the Mayan civilisation. They worked well together in small groups planning a presentation to explain the similarities and differences between life cycles of different animals. These will be presented to the class in our Science lessons next week.

As we have now finished studying the Mayan civilisation, we will begin a short geography unit on natural geography. This will begin by learning about the world's most famous mountainous regions. In Computing the children will be designing a website. In RE we will learn about the significance of the story of 'Moses and the Burning Bush' to Jewish people. Our DT lesson will involve evaluating chocolate packaging.

Throughout the week, the children will be carrying out some end of year assessments for English and Maths.

You will be receiving a separate email letter about our SRE (Sex and Relationships) session, which will be taking place on Tuesday morning. If you have any questions regarding this, please email using [admin@sebertwood.co.uk](mailto:admin@sebertwood.co.uk) for the attn. of the Year 5 team.

As the weather is now warmer, please ensure that your child has a water bottle and sunhat in school every day.

Thank you.

Have a great weekend,

Year 5 team

**Year 4** What a great start to the last half term of the year! Not only has the sun been shining, but the children have been buzzing about their work! They have shown great understanding of coordinates this week, so next week we will be taking them a step further by using coordinates to make shapes, as well as translating (moving) them. In English, we will be recapping on grammar learnt over the year and completing some reading comprehensions. On Monday afternoon, we will start our new topic on the Vikings and discuss whether they were always vicious and victorious. The children learnt some great art skills this week based on the illustrations of Eric Carle and will be using this newly learnt collage technique to create a Viking long ship over the next few weeks. We carried out an investigation into insulators and conductors in Science, and next week will be looking at incorporating switches into our circuits.

Please can you send in your rain gauge recordings by the end of next week so that we can send them off to Bury in Bloom, you can keep collecting the rain at home and could always record it for yourself or to water your plants!

Keep enjoying the sunshine safely!

Year 4 Team

**Year 3** The children worked collaboratively making their salt dough fossils. They carefully weighed the ingredients and made several different types of fossil. We were really impressed with how much they remembered about fossil formation.

Next week, in Science, the children will be learning about different types of soil. Please can each child bring a small pot/jar (yoghurt pot size) of soil from their garden. Please dig down a little to get the sample. In Geography, the children will look at maps of the local area and learn about keys. In RE, the children will continue to learn about Hinduism. In Art, the children will learn about scale and continue to design and draw their dragons. In PSHE, the children will learn about stamina, strength and flexibility.

The children are enjoying our class text 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons' and are writing some fabulous diary entries.

Have a great weekend

The Year 3 Teaching Team

**Year 2** We have begun our final Year 2 topic – the children were very excited to learn how strong castles were, and came up with some ingenious ways of trying to break in to attack the King! This week we have learned names of key parts of castles, like motte, bailey and curtain walls – ask your child to tell you what they can remember! In Maths this week we have been learning to tell the time. So far we have looked at o'clock, half-past, quarter past and quarter to. Next week we will learn to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes. We have been asking children to tell us the time at certain points of the day – it would be helpful if they could practise this at home too. We have also revisited money, making amounts using different amounts of coins – again this is something useful which can be practiced at home. /cont'd over



**Year 2** In English we learned about Knights and their code of chivalry, then used this information to make Wanted posters. We saw some great descriptions! Next week we will be making stories about a knight. Now that the weather has got warmer (hooray!) please make sure your child has a sunhat and water bottle in school each day. Finally – in a few weeks we'd like to do some junk modelling. Please send any clean and dry boxes, tubes, bottles, yoghurt pots etc – thank you! Have a great weekend  
The Year 2 Team

**Year 1** We have had a busy week in Year 1. In English we have begun our work on Handa, learning the story using actions. We have made story plans in preparation for retelling the story next week. In Maths we have been working with numbers to 100 and have been impressed with the children's knowledge of this. We have been using base 10 equipment to represent and count larger numbers. In Geography we recorded our own weather forecasts and in Science we explored different types of fruit and vegetables using feely bags. The weather has been beautiful and is set to continue, so please ensure your child has a sun hat and a water bottle in school. We would recommend applying a long lasting sun cream to your child in the morning before school to ensure they can enjoy their whole playtime outside and are fully protected, as adults within school are not allowed to help with the application of suntan cream. Have a lovely weekend,  
The Year One Team

**Reception** This week we read Oliver's fruit salad and Oliver's milkshake. We have been exploring lots of different fruits. At the beginning of the week we used fruit and vegetables to create our own face pictures inspired by Giuseppe Arcimboldo. On Wednesday we received a letter and some fruit from Oliver to make our own fruit milkshakes. We had milk, strawberries and banana. Later this week we have been using water colour paints to create still life paintings of fruit and made citrus fruit soup! Rainbow Class were very lucky to go to the woodland behind school. They had a lovely time exploring the nature and completing a mini beast hunt. Next week we are continuing our topic of fruit and vegetables by reading Oliver's vegetables. We will be exploring lots of vegetables and preparing for Father's Day! We hope you have a lovely weekend.  
The Reception Team

**Nursery** It has been lovely to hear about everyone's half term. Thank you for posting what you have been up to on tapestry. We do like sharing photos! It is great to see your beanstalks are growing and have started reaching the castle...you are looking after them so well! This week we have enjoyed learning lots about under the sea! Sharing the story 'Commotion in the Ocean' and creating our own sea creatures... sharks, rainbow fish, octopus and have made a giant octopus, which is on display. We will post pictures on tapestry! We even moved and stretched like many different sea creatures during some yoga fun. We loved doing the crab and shark moves! The grownups were very impressed with everyone's listening skills and following instructions! We also read the story 'Rainbow fish' and focused our discussion around being a good friend and how it's kind to share. Next week we will continue our under the sea adventures and talk about recycling. We will read the story 'Harry Saves the Ocean'. Please may you bring in any empty plastic bottles you have and milk bottle tops. We would like to create our own recycled sea creatures! We are inviting parents to our Nursery Sports day which will be held on Wednesday afternoon 7<sup>th</sup> July, 1.30-2.30pm. We are asking a maximum of 2 family members per child please. During the afternoon we do hope you will enjoy taking part in the gingerbread man activity with your child! If it is not your child's day to attend, you are more than welcome to also come in for the afternoon with your child so they can also enjoy and take part in the sports day activities. Have a wonderful weekend and enjoy the sunshine!  
The Nursery Team