



Somerdale Educate Together Primary School

'Learn Together to Live Together'

Newsletter (Term 1 Week 1)

Friday 4th September 2026

Dear Parents, Carers, and Members of Our School Community,

I hope you and your families had a restful and enjoyable summer break. It has been a real pleasure to welcome the children back to school and to see our classrooms once again filled with energy, enthusiasm and smiles.

A very warm welcome also goes to all our new families joining us this term. We are delighted that you are now part of our school community and look forward to getting to know you over the coming weeks and months.

The beginning of a new academic year is always an exciting time. It brings fresh opportunities, new challenges and the chance for every child to grow in confidence, independence and curiosity. Over the coming weeks, the children will be settling into their new routines, building friendships and embracing the many learning opportunities ahead.

Our **Value of the Month is Responsibility**, which feels especially fitting at the start of a new school year. We will be encouraging the children to recognise that responsibility can be shown in many different ways: taking pride in their learning, making positive choices, caring for their belongings and our school environment, being kind and dependable, and understanding the impact their actions can have on others.

Class newsletters will be sent home on **Friday 4th September**. These will provide an overview of the learning planned for the term ahead, alongside key information and updates specific to each class. We hope they will give you a helpful insight into what your child will be learning and the experiences they can look forward to over the coming weeks.

We will also be holding our **Meet the Teacher meetings** during the coming weeks. These sessions provide an important opportunity for families to meet their child's class teacher(s), hear more about classroom routines and expectations, and find out how you can support your child's learning throughout the year.

The meetings will take place on the following dates:

Year Group	Date	Time	Location
Reception	Monday 14 th September	9.15am	School Hall
Year 1	Wednesday 9 th September	9am	School Hall
Year 2	Monday 22 nd September	9.15am	School Hall
Year 3	Monday 14 th September	3.20pm	Year 3 Classroom
Year 4	Tuesday 8 th September	9am	School Hall
Year 5	Tuesday 8 th September	3:20pm	Year 5 Classroom
Year 6	Tuesday 8 th September	3.20pm	Year 6 Classroom

To further support your child's learning at home, we encourage families to visit the class pages on our school website. Here you will find useful information including timetables, medium-term plans and additional resources.

These resources are designed to help you stay connected with your child's learning and provide opportunities to continue conversations, practice key skills and celebrate progress at home. Taking an interest in what children are learning, asking them questions about their day and encouraging them to share their successes can make a significant difference to their confidence and enthusiasm for learning.

We are looking forward to a happy, successful and rewarding year ahead for our whole school community. As always, if you have any questions or require any support, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Best wishes,

Chris Thomas-Unsworth

Headteacher

Please find below some key Term 1 dates for your diary:

Term 1

Dates and times are available on the school website: <https://www.somerdaleet.org.uk/parents-and-community/upcoming-events/>

Week Beginning	Week	Rights Focus	Global Link	Goal	Event(s)
(w/c 31.08.26)	1	 28 ACCESS TO EDUCATION			Value of the Month Responsibility EYFS Home Visits (03.09.26 – 04.09.26)
(w/c) 07.09.26)	2	 29 AIMS OF EDUCATION			Meet the Teacher Meetings EYFS Home Visits (07.09.26) Pre-School Open (07.09.26)
(w/c 14.09.26)	3	 12 RESPECT FOR CHILDREN'S VIEWS	 16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS		Meet the Teacher Meetings Day of Democracy (15.09.26) Day of Democracy (Elections) (17.09.26) Reception 2027-28 Tour (16.09.26)
(w/c 21.09.06)	4	 24 HEALTH, WATER, FOOD, ENVIRONMENT			Day of Peace (21.09.26) Accelerated Reader Parent/Carer Meeting 3:20pm (21.09.26) Reception 2027-28 Tour (22.09.26)
(w/c 28.09.06)	5	 13 SHARING THOUGHTS FREELY			Value of the Month Respect Older Persons Day (01.10.26) SEND Coffee Morning School Photographs (01.10.26) School Census (01.10.26)
(w/c 05.010.26)	6	 3 BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD			Learning Plan Meetings – (All Week) World Teachers Day (05.10.26) Reception 2027-28 Tour (05.10.26) School Governors Meeting (06.10.26) FOSET AGM (07.10.26)
(w/c 12.10.26)	7	 24 HEALTH, WATER, FOOD, ENVIRONMENT	 2 ZERO HUNGER		Learning Plan Meetings – (All Week) Year 6 Assembly (12.10.26) Parent /Carer Forum (15.10.26) Halloween Disco (15.10.26) World Food Day (16.10.26)
(w/c 17.10.26)	8	 28 ACCESS TO EDUCATION			
End of Term 1: (2310.26)					

FOSET News

Friends of Somerdale Educate Together (FoSET) have signed up to the **Stikins** Name Labels referral scheme, in an attempt to help solve Lost Property at school and at the same time make money for our school.

The school can receive 30% commission on every order placed ***quoting the school reference number 36296***.

- **Easy to use**

Stikins® name labels are made of an advanced material; all you have to do is stick them onto the wash-care label of clothes. They are a one-size, multipurpose label, which can also be used on school items such as shoes, plastic boxes, water bottles, pencil cases etc.

- **Help your school**

For each order placed using Somerdale Educate Together's unique code **36296** we earn 30% commission for the school. You can order online (www.stikins.co.uk), or over the phone (01270 668076).

The advertisement is a colorful flyer for Stikins name labels. At the top, the Stikins logo is in large purple letters with a registered trademark symbol. Below it, a purple banner says 'Name labels that ❤️ kids & parents!'. The main headline 'KEEP TRACK OF WHAT MATTERS!' is in large, bold, multi-colored letters. Below this, a purple dashed box contains the text 'Perfect for school, sports, clubs and everyday adventures!'. The central part of the flyer features three items: a blue t-shirt with a label 'Alex Thompson' and a soccer ball icon, a pink t-shirt with a label 'Freya Green' and a rainbow icon, and a blue water bottle with a label 'Jack Roberts' and a dinosaur icon. A white box with a purple border contains the text 'SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL! ❤️ Use our unique code at stikins.co.uk to raise funds for our school!' and a large purple box with the code '36296'. At the bottom, the logo for 'Friends of Somerdale Educate Together' is shown, along with 'Charity No.1197992'. Below this is a row of four icons with text: a t-shirt icon for 'NO MORE LOST CLOTHES', a water bottle icon for 'PERFECT FOR BOTTLES & LUNCH BOXES', a washing machine icon for 'WASHER & DISHWASHER SAFE', and a label icon for 'EASY TO APPLY, BUILT TO LAST'. The bottom of the flyer has a purple banner with the text 'LABEL IT. STICK IT. NEVER LOSE IT! ❤️'.

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