



# Somerdale Educate Together Primary School

'Learn Together to Live Together'

Newsletter (Term 1 Week 6)

15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Families,

It has been such a busy term and it is hard to believe that there is only a week left to go until the half-term break! The whole school team would like to thank the community for your support and understanding during this term, particularly with the changes due to implementing our outbreak management plan. As always, the children amaze us with their resilience and their safety, education and wellbeing continue to be our top priority.

## Celebration Assembly

Year Group	Somerdale Star	Rights Respecting Award	Learner of the Week
1	Jesse	Willow	Charlie B
2	Alice	Ben	Seren
3	William C	Poppy D	Molly
4	Lowri	Natalya	Bella
5	Tommy	Summer	Emmeline

## World Mental Health Day

The school celebrated World Mental Health Day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021. The children dressed in yellow to raise awareness of mental health issues. The children were taught about the importance of talking about their feelings!



*Article 19: right to be protected from being hurt and mistreated in body or mind.*

## **Voting – Parent Governor Position**

The voting for the Parent Governor position is now closed. The results will be communicated to families on the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

*Article 3: When adults make decisions, they should think about how these decisions affect children.*

## **Black History Month: Proud To Be!**

We are very excited to announce that Vernon Samuels will be in school on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October to deliver workshops to children. He will also present an assembly that will be broadcast across the school describing his life living in Bristol and his journey to becoming a professional athlete, competing in the men's triple jump at the 1988 Summer Olympics. His father was the first African-Caribbean person to become a bus driver in Bristol and his mother became the first Black manager of a residential home for older people.



## **Thank you to the Friends of Somerdale for sponsoring this event!**

*Article 2: All children have these rights, no matter who they are, where they live, what their parents do, what language they speak, what their religion is, whether they are a boy or girl, what their culture is, whether they have a disability, whether they are rich or poor. No child should be treated unfairly on any basis.*

## **Photographs of the Week**



Year 5 enjoyed their trip to the British Aerospace Museum.

## **Positive Covid-19 Cases - Reporting Procedures**

Please inform the school immediately if your child has a positive PCR test. Whilst the guidance in the Covid-19 Risk Assessment and Outbreak Management Plan does not require classes to isolate, the school will still report positive PCR cases to families for their reference via email.

For children who are isolating, but are feeling well in themselves, you will find information about remote learning in the weekly overviews which each class teacher uploads by Sunday every week on the Google Drive class folders. You can find links to all the class folders on our website under the 'Our Classes' tab.

## **Share Together Events**

Share Together dates will be rearranged and further information will be sent out during the first week of Term 2.

### **Parents' Consultation Dates**

Parents' Consultation meetings will now be online and take place on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st of October. Meeting links will be sent to parents next week. These will all take place on Google Meet which can be accessed from any internet device.

### **Friends of Somerdale Educate Together (FOSET) – New AGM Date**

Thank you to the family members who have shown an interest in supporting the Friends of Somerdale Educate Together (FOSET). The AGM has been arranged for **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 7pm** in the school hall.

### **Christmas Fair (FOSET)**

The Christmas Fair will take place on the 27<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Please save this date for your diary!



### **Family Coffee Morning (FOSET)**

There will be a family coffee morning on the first Thursday of every month which will be held in the school hall. The first morning will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021 between 9:00 and 10:30am.

### **Reception Tours for 2022-23**

The school will be running tours for families wishing to apply for reception places in 2022-23 on the following dates. Places must be booked via the school office.



Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 10:00am

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 10:00am

### **PE Clothing**

Children must wear appropriate clothing and footwear. Please ensure long hair is tied back and earrings are removed or taped.

### **Wraparound Care**

Please can we reiterate that pick-up time for Wraparound Care is no later than 5.30pm. This allows time for our staff to safely pack away and clean up after the session.

### **Child Absence**

Should your child be unwell, please ensure that you let us know by 9am so that we can complete our registers. You can e-mail [info@somerdaleet.org.uk](mailto:info@somerdaleet.org.uk) or call 0117 3790888 and leave a message. Please remember to inform the office by 9am of each subsequent day of absence until they are well enough to return to school.

Best Wishes

Chris Thomas-Unsworth  
(Headteacher)

## **Dates for the Diary**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> October	World Mental Health Day
20 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' Evening
21 <sup>st</sup> October	Parents' Evening
TBC	Share Together Week
29 <sup>th</sup> October	End of Term

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