



Southville News

Happy Friday!

Sandpits Are Go!

If you follow us on Twitter you will have seen that on Monday the sandpits were officially opened and a great deal of fun has already been had! I was at Myrtle on Monday lunchtime and the sandpit was packed with children, each pouring, digging, burying and burrowing with their imaginative play leading to castles, villages and tunnels being created, modified, smoothed over and rebuilt.



They are lovely creative, collaborative sources of play and they have already proven to be a really popular addition to our playgrounds. Thank you to Mr Potter, Mrs Flaecher and Mr Thomas for making this possible!



Weduc Update

Weduc is upgrading their app with effect from 3rd April. If you are using the app and your phone is set to automatic updates, then there is nothing for you to do, as the app will update automatically on the 3rd April. The new app is called *Reach More Parents by Weduc*.

- **What do app users need to do?** If you do not have automatic updates turned on, you will need to re-download the app from the App Store if you have an iPhone or the Google Play Store if you have an Android.
- **Can I still access the same features?** Yes. The features you already use such as Newsfeed, Calendar and Messaging are still accessible.
- **What's new?** You can find a PDF document attached which will give you a detailed breakdown of everything that has changed in the app. Please note that the app offers features such as dinner payments that we will not be using. Only the existing features will be continued in the new app.

The information we have been sent suggests that the update will make navigation of the features of the app easier, and will also enable you to search within your newsfeed. We have been really impressed with the way Weduc have listened to our feedback over the last few weeks and I am delighted that these improvements have been made.

Eco Club - Meeting 4 Report by Bea

Today at Eco Club we had some questions we wanted answering which we did in a group. We did as good as we could to answer them but unfortunately we couldn't answer them all so we had to upstairs to talk to Mr Bowman to see if he could, which really got him thinking! After we got all the questions done, we went back down to Honeybee class to check our answers. Then we looked at the logos we drew last week and the adults said that next week they were going to pick the winning logo for the Eco Club. By Bea.

Year 2 Amazon Rainforest Exhibition

Thank you to the parents, carers and grandparents who came to see the Year 2 rainforest exhibition today. The children have become experts in their chosen animal and have created Eric Carle inspired artwork which they presented alongside their beautiful written non-fiction reports. I was really impressed with their presenting skills, firstly to the Year 1 children in the afternoon and then to the many adults who visited them after school. They spoke with real clarity and knowledge and did a really professional job! We have had some lovely feedback from parents too which is always really appreciated.

Disco Fever!

I just wanted to say thank you to the PTA committee members and other volunteers who made the Spring Discos such a success last night. It is no mean feat to organise and coordinate those different sessions and ensure the children are happy, safe and enjoying themselves so a huge thank you to everyone who made it possible.

I would like to give a special mention our very own Dancing Queen Mrs Mathias who put in a HUGE shift yesterday. There are unconfirmed reports that she was last seen leading a solo conga down North Street in the early hours of this morning with a crown made entirely out of glow sticks.

Last Day of Term - 31st March

As next Friday is the last day of term it will, as is traditional, be a non-uniform day.

Have a lovely weekend, Andy Bowman

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