



# Southwood Extra November 2019



## Southwood Open Morning: 5th December

We would like to welcome parents and carers into school on Thursday 5th December from 9am until 9.30am, so that you can see your child (or children) learning in their classrooms. We are very proud of our behaviour and the children's attitude to learning at Southwood and we would like to share that with you.

Please come to the front of school at 9am, so that we are able to sign you in. School Representatives will then take you to your child's class, where you will be able to see them in action during a Reading lesson. Please do not take any photographs or videos whilst in school, just enjoy their learning and have a look at some of the work that is on display.

### Southwood School Uniform

Thank you to all who voted for the new School Uniform colour. We asked children, parents and carers, and all members of staff to vote and each group voted overwhelmingly for the light Emerald green colour. As we have said previously, each child will be given a new jumper for September 2020, but if you are buying uniform this year, please choose this colour from now on!



### Children in Need

Thank you so much for all your kind donations for Children in Need, we managed to raise

**£226.68,**

which was more than £30 more than last year!

Two Pudsey Bears went to lovely new homes too!

### St Marks' Meals

We know that some of our families find it difficult at times to feed their family and have needed to visit Milton Keynes' Food Bank, because of the cost of food rising so much in recent years. We wanted to let you know that we are now working with a charity called St Mark's Meals, who will provide Southwood with **FREE** meal boxes, which we are able to give out to families in need. The boxes include all the ingredients (and instructions) to make an evening meal. There are four different meal options (a Bolognese, tuna pasta, curry, or taco meal).

We realise this is a sensitive subject, but please know that we are happy to help and these boxes are **FREE for any family in need**. If you would like a meal box, please feel free to chat to the LAB, or School Office and we will arrange for one to be available for you to collect (we will keep this private).



### Children's Birthdays

We love to celebrate children's birthdays with them and the rest of their class, but unfortunately we are not able to share sweets with other children at the end of the day.

We are very mindful at the moment of the need to encourage healthy lifestyles and also about allergies some of our children have, so please do not send sweets, or cakes with icing (plain cakes would be acceptable) into school when it is your child's birthday.

### Dates for your diary:

Wed 4th December:	Winter Fayre
Thu 5th December:	Open Morning
Wed 11th December:	Christmas School Lunch
Fr1 13th December:	Christmas Jumper Day
Mon 16th December:	Disco
Wed 18th December:	Christmas Singalong (2.30pm—please join us)
Thu 19th December:	Colonel Custard
Fri 20th December:	End of Term (3.15pm)

### Winter Fayre

On Wednesday 4th December, Southwood will be holding its annual Winter Fayre after school. If you have any items that could be used for the Tombola, please drop them off at school before the end of Friday 29th November.

There will be lots of stalls and a raffle at the fayre, so please come and join us!

### Road Safety Week

Next Week is Road Safety Week and we will be talking to all the children about Road Safety. Please make sure you have a discussion with them about what they have learned in school and how they are keeping safe around our school.



### Whole School Attendance

Whole school attendance to the end of  
October was

**97.5%**

That's a great percentage—let's  
keep it up!

### Staff News

We have some fantastic, but very sad news to share. Mr Cowper will be leaving Southwood School to become Assistant Headteacher in a local Primary School at the end of the Autumn term. We will be extremely sorry to see him go, as he has contributed in so many ways to the lives of children at Southwood since he joined in 2008. Good Luck Mr Cowper!

Keep checking our blog site to see what each class has been doing recently:

[boulevardblogs.net](http://boulevardblogs.net)

It can also be accessed by clicking the image below on the school website. Look for this picture:

Visit the school's website for general school information and copies of recent letters. <http://www.boulevardprimarypartnership.org.uk/home-sw>

