

Southwold Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We can't believe we're already at half-term at the end of this week! As usual, we have been doing so much learning and have recently celebrated Chinese New Year and World Hijab Day.

Covid-19 measures and uniform

Please note that windows can now be closed during most teaching times, so long as they are opened when the children are not in the classroom. This means they should be warmer in school. Your children may continue to wear layers of clothing, such as vests and long-sleeved T-shirts underneath their uniform, but logo-ed sweatshirts and hoodies, other than with a school logo, are now not allowed.

There is an increase of non-uniform being worn at the moment, including PE uniform, so we ask that children wear correct uniform at all times. Thank you for your support with this – we feel it is so important that the children are smart to represent the school well.

LGBT+ History Month

February is LGBT+ History Month. At Southwold we have a strong 'Diversity, Equality and Inclusion manifesto' and we celebrate diversity and equality and value difference. We aim to raise awareness of issues in order to eliminate discrimination to ensure that we help to make society a fairer place, and learn about and celebrate other people's uniqueness and differences.

We will be talking about these themes in assemblies and within classrooms at age-appropriate levels, to support our relationships education curriculum. We will be talking about a range of pertinent artists, such as David Hockney, Frida Kahlo and Kehinde Wiley.

Broadening Our Horizons Through Lifelong Learning

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To find out more about and celebrate LGBT+ History Month, here is a link to follow. We feel these messages are hugely important for all children.

Newsround – Why is learning about LGBT+ history important? And 12 historical icons - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/55276399>

If you have any questions around LGBT+ history month in school, please speak with Mrs Blair in Class 4, as she is the staff point of contact.

Wear Your Scarf to School Day

The week beginning Monday 7th of February is **Children's Mental Health Week** and the theme for the week is "**Growing Together.**"

We will be doing some special activities during this week to help children keep mentally well and on Friday 11th of February, to mark the end of this week, we'll be holding a special '**Wear your Scarf to School Day**' for children in Years 1 to 6.

Half-Term holiday

School will close at the end of day this Friday 11th February for the half-term break and re-open on Monday 21st February. Have a lovely time.

As always, thank you very much and very best wishes,

Mrs Clifford
Head Teacher

