



SMITHDOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Together We Grow

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Message from the Headteacher

I've really enjoyed watching the children learn practical skills for the future recently. With UK military school working with year 6, the bikeability program in upper KS2 and the launch of the Smithdown Savings Scheme we aim to equip our children with as many skills as possible for the future. Like you, we recognise the importance of education that goes beyond the academic curriculum. The children are also having a lot of fun along the way!

Science Week

Next week is Science week at Smithdown. There are lots of exciting activities planned throughout the week for all year groups.

Don't forget, there's still time to prepare your entry—children can showcase their love of science in any way they like and bring it along or present it on Friday 5th April. All entries will go into our prize draw.



Childhood Anxiety

If you are concerned about anxiety in your child, please have a look at the link below — an expert guide for parents to help children understand, cope and become strengthened by their experiences of anxiety at a young age. The aim is to equip parents across the world with a significant bank of knowledge to ease panic and educate their children about the science of the mind.

<https://tutorful.co.uk/guides/the-expert-guide-to-help-your-child-with-anxiety>

If you would like to discuss this further, please contact Mrs Worthington.

ATTENDANCE NEWS

SPRING TERM

Nursery am: 82%

Nursery pm: 79%

RLMc: 97%

RLK: 97%

Year 1 GH: 95%

Year 1RMc: 96%

Year 2AG: 97%

Year 2 LA: 100%

Year 3 BC: 92%

Year 3 GL: 96%

Year 4: 93%

Year 5: 98%

Year 6: 98%

Well Done to this weeks winners, 2LA

School starts at 8.55am

REMEMBER—all children should aim to have 97% or higher attendance.

Dates for your diary:

26th March—Reception maths workshop for parents/carers.

27th March—Year 6 Boys Football at LFC.

28th March—Year 6 Military School.

29th March—SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET DAY

1st April—start of Smithdown Primary Science Week.

2nd April —Reception maths workshop for parents/carers.

2nd April—KS2 parent / carer maths workshop.

4th April—Science show for families (please ensure you have a ticket).

4th April—Year 6 Military School.

5th April —School Closes for end of term break.

15th April—School re-opens.

16th April— Debtaware workshops for years 5 & 6.

19th April—School closed (Good Friday Bank Holiday).

22nd April—School closed (Easter Monday Bank Holiday).

26th April—Year 6 Handball Development Day.

13th May—Start of Year 6 SATs week.

20th May—Dental health workshops for Reception classes and Year 4

24th May—School closes for half-term break.

10th June—School reopens.

Lots of Socks

Thank you to everyone who supported Down's Syndrome Awareness Week by wearing their odd socks. The children learned about the condition and the campaign to ensure every person with Down's syndrome has the same opportunities as everyone else in all aspects of life.



Year 6

Year 6 are working each week with UK Military School developing their confidence, leadership skills and ability to work as a team.

Each week, they're having a lot of fun whilst securing skills needed for secondary school and beyond.



Smithdown Savers

We have now launched the Smithdown Savings Scheme. We are open every Tuesday before school and encourage children to save little but regularly. New members are always welcome—pick up a form on Tuesdays or ask your class teacher.