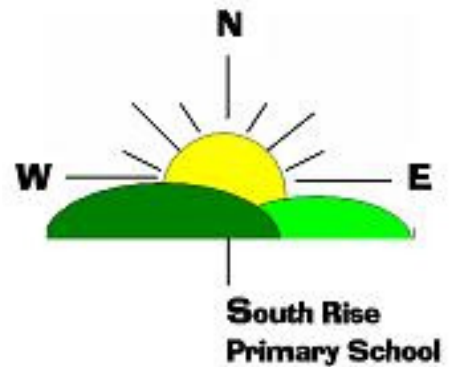


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Dear Parents and Carers,

This is the last newsletter for this academic year. It is needless to say that we have had a very eventful and busy year. Some of the highlights have been the collaboration with the Shakespeare Schools Festival which resulted in a group of **Year 6** children going to the House of Lords to perform Julius Caesar. **Year 5** had ballet lessons which resulted in a performance for parents and carers. **Year 4** visited Frankie and Benny's restaurant in the O2 and were able to make and eat their own pizzas. **Years 3, 1 and Reception** went to Colchester Zoo and were able to feed the giraffes and elephants. **Year 2** had a Pirate Day which was part of their Unit of Inquiry Near and Far and held a showcase exhibition for parents/carers. **Nursery** enjoyed wonderful drama sessions each week. We hosted Ofsted and An International Assessor, as you can appreciate pressure on staff has been unprecedented. However, your support and kind comments have given us the strength to have the desire to want to do more next year. It has been proven that parental guidance is one of the most important ingredients to ensure children succeed. So I am writing to ask you please to support us both academically and with your child's behaviour so that we can become the successful school we know we can be.

Home Learning During the Summer Holiday - Every child from Reception to Year 5 will receive two homework booklets; the expectation is that children will do their homework during summer and return the completed booklet on 8th September, our first day back at school. A register will be taken to find out who has returned their booklets and sanctions will be applied to those who do not return their homework, please ensure your child/children read daily and complete all the homework.

Staff Changes - Teachers - Sheila Meheux is retiring; Jodie Collins and Rachel Pethick are leaving for other schools. Teaching Assistant Mrs Val Cummins is retiring. Cleaner Eileen Wilson is retiring and Cleaner Sue Williams is leaving. Miss Vasquez is on maternity leave and we welcome Lisa Stevens to year 1 and Serina Lindsay, returning from Maternity Leave, into Year 1.

School Uniform Sale - Tuesday 6th September 1pm-4pm and Wednesday 7th September 9am-1pm. You will be able to purchase School sweatshirts, book bags, pencil cases and P.E. bags. We shall continue to be very strict on school uniform and school colours must be worn, shoes must be black and all items of clothing need to be labelled with your child/children's name.

Dinner Money - Please ensure your child/children's dinner money and/or After School Club account is paid in full by Wednesday 20th July as our accounts have to be closed off for the end of the school year.

Annual Contribution

As from September 2011, we will be asking for a contribution of £5 per child, per annum, towards equipment to be used at School and would like to thank you in anticipation of your support in this initiative.

Important Dates - Wednesday 20th July - last day of term, school finishes at 3.30pm. First day of new term Thursday 8th September, doors open at 8.45am, registration at 8.55am.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Mathison
Head teacher.