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Somerville Nursery and Somerville Primary Schools
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NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS 26th January 2018

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- **Monday 29th January:** Children attending dodgeball competition at Rock Ferry.
- **Tuesday 30th January:** Kurling event at Kingsway Academy.
- **Thursday 1st February:** Healthy body, healthy mind session 2 at 9.00am.
- **Thursday 1st February:** Year 3 and 4 trip to New Brighton.
- **Monday 5th February:** Elm & Holly classes children swimming.
- **Friday 9th February:** SATS talk for Year 2 Parents at 9.00am in the school hall.
- **Friday 16th February:** Children break up for the Spring half term break.
- **Monday 26th February:** Children return to school.

Please check the website for the updated calendar of events.

Be on time, be in line for 5 to 9!

PGL Boreatton Park for Year 5

We have now reserved places for children currently in Year 5 for a residential visit from 7th to 9th November 2018. The visit will be for two nights and will consist of several outdoor adventure activities. The cost of the visit is currently £148.50 plus transport costs. However the governors of Somerville Federation feel strongly about wanting as many Year 5 children to attend the residential as possible. At the end of this month the governors will meet to discuss if they can reduce your voluntary contribution further. Residential visits are reliant upon voluntary contributions from parents and carers to allow them to take place. However, if this residential visit cannot be funded by voluntary contributions, the visit will unfortunately be cancelled. Further information to follow.

Greggs Breakfast Club

Many thanks for all those who have shown an interest in the school providing a breakfast club sponsored by Greggs Foundation. We will be trialling the breakfast club from Monday 26th February 2018 with a small number of children initially. Letters to those parents and carers for the initial limited places will be sent out shortly. We will then be in a position to trial the breakfast club and consider opening the club to more children at a later stage.

Swimming

Swimming will be starting for children in Holly and Elm classes from 5th February 2018. The sessions are for 2 weeks and will take place each afternoon. Please ensure your child comes to school with their swimming kit and towel each day. Their kit needs to be either a one piece costume or a pair of trunks. Shorts with pockets and long shorts are not acceptable to be worn during lessons. Please refer to the letter previously sent home for guidance.

Reading at home

Please read with your child as much as possible as research has found that shared reading experiences are highly beneficial for young people as it develops their listening skills, spellings, reading comprehension and vocabulary.

It gives young people the essential foundation literacy skills and also values their social skills and gives them a positive attitude towards reading.