

# SOMERVILLE FEDERATION



**Somerville Nursery and Primary Schools**  
**“Aiming High Together”**



## WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day was a **huge success** this year. The children all looked fabulous as did the staff! A big thank you to all of you who made the effort to dress up and a thank you to all of the mums, dads and carers who took photographs of their child taking part in the extreme read challenge.

Winners for the best dressed in each class were awarded certificates and winners of the extreme read challenge were given £5 book tokens. **EVERY CHILD** was sent home with a **£1 book token** which can be used to purchase a book from a selected set of titles or used as part payment towards a book of their choice.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Friday 2nd

Year 5 Rocket Day

### Wednesday 7th

Year 2 Green Screen Day

### Thursday 8th

Family learning - story sacks

### Wednesday 14th

Year 5 - Floral Pavilion to watch Arabian Nights

### Wednesday 14th

### Thursday 15th

Year 1 trip to Chirk Castle

### Monday 19th

Last week of clubs

### Tuesday 20th

Olympian visit

### Week of 26th

PARENTS' EVENING

## YEAR 2 FOOTBALLERS

The Year 2 football team were fantastic in Thursdays competition at LFC Academy. They came third overall but were denied second place by a last minute goal in their match against Bidston. They played six games overall, winning four and losing two. They scored over 25 goals (WOW) and conceded 8 in the process. Despite never playing football together before they came together and worked brilliantly as a **team**.

The organisers and LFC staff were not only **impressed with their skills** but highly praised them on their attitude and sportsmanship in every game. **We are VERY proud of them.**

## CHANGES TO FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

From 1st April 2018 a new wage threshold eligibility criteria is to be introduced for **new free school meal claims** from working parents who also claim Universal Credit. Any free school meal claims made before 31st March 2018 **WILL BE PROTECTED** until 2022 or until your child finishes their current phase of education regardless of any increases in earnings. This means your child will still receive their free school meal.

Any NEW free school meal applications made after 31st March will be against the new criteria which may mean some working parents who also get universal credit will not qualify for free school meals.

### BIG MESSAGE

**APPLY IMMEDIATELY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS - BEFORE 31st MARCH!**

Applications can be made via:

[www.wirral.gov.uk/free-school-meals](http://www.wirral.gov.uk/free-school-meals)

Via paper - submitted to a One Stop Shop

Via e-mail to [freeschoolmeals@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:freeschoolmeals@wirral.gov.uk)

**PROOF OF UNIVERSAL  
CREDIT WILL BE  
REQUIRED**

## NEED TO TALK TO SOMEONE?

Please remember that if you need to talk to someone about how your child is getting on in school; your child's **class teacher** knows your child the best. It is always best to talk to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

The best way to do this is to phone the school office and make an appointment, to see the teacher, rather than catching them on the door when they are trying to dismiss their class safely.

Parents' evening will be taking place during the last week in March. We strongly encourage every parent and carer to attend to find out how their child is getting on in school and where they are up to in terms of progress and age related expectation.

This is an ideal opportunity for you to ask the class teacher any questions you may have.

We look forward to seeing you.



## GREGGS BREAKFAST CLUB

Gregg's Breakfast Club has had a successful first week with 26 children attending. The children have been having delicious, healthy breakfasts with freshly baked bread, a range of cereals and fruit. They are then kept busy playing a range of games giving them a fantastic start to the day. Music is played to add to the ambiance!

## BRRRR - WRAP UP WARM!

We have had a chilly and snowy week. Even in this cold weather children do still need time outside for fresh air and vitamin D, which is so important to growing children. Please ensure in this weather that children have with them a suitably warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves.

