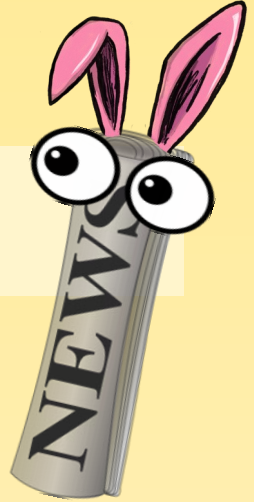


THE SFS HERALD



Inside: Spring Prom, school trips, reviews, quizzes and more...

Sensational singing at the O2!

On Thursday 1st February 2018, a record number of 92 pupils from South Farnham School made the exciting journey to the impressive O2 Arena in order to perform as part of the Young Voices Choir. The initiative brings together over 7,000 children from schools all over the South East of England in order to perform in a series of concerts.

Choir members have been working extremely hard since September to prepare a range of songs from diverse musical styles; from Mowtown to Rap and Classical to Folk. After three intensive hours of rehearsals with the other choirs and two well-earned packed lunches, our pupils settled into their seats

which provided an excellent view of the stage and the whole arena. The children were treated to professional performances by beatboxers, street dancers and singers.

It was a huge privilege to sing at such an incredible event and one that will leave a lasting impression on all of those involved. A special thank you to Mrs Hall, Miss Wray, Mr Friend and Mrs Morant, for all their dedication and hard work.

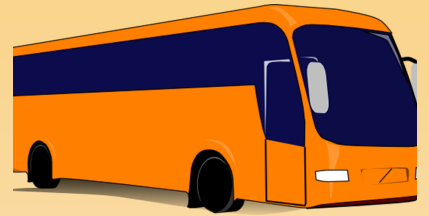


Pantastic fun for Pancake Day!

A fliptastic time was had by all pupils and staff on the last Friday before half-term by competing in the annual pancake race. Children, wrapped up warm against the winter chill, were arranged into class teams and had to flip their pancakes at least twice. Many pancakes flew quite a distance in the wind! Classes competed against each other, desperately trying not to drop their pancake while attempting to win first place for their year group. A highly anticipated and competitive teachers' race involved staff from all year groups racing against each other to cheers of support from their classes. Congratulations to this year's champions, the teachers of Year Six!



SPRING TERM SCHOOL TRIPS



Haslemere Museum— Year 3

As part of their studies of the Ancient Egyptians this term, Year Three visited Haslemere Museum. After exploring the many wonders the museum had to offer, the children helped to ensure a life-sized mummy made it safely to the after-life by correctly preserving its body. The removal of the internal organs and brain, placing them carefully into the correct canopic jars caused much excitement!

Pupils enjoyed mummifying their own cuddly toy, complete with amulets, death mask and cartouche.



They were fascinated by a 1,000 year old pot found in the grounds of Winchester Cathedral dating back to this period too.

Later in the day, having waved goodbye to the imposing statue of Alfred The Great, they journeyed on to Winchester Science Museum where they were able to participate in and explore all kinds of amazing experiments.

One definite favourite was 'The Colon Cafe' where they learnt about the interesting impact different foods have on our bodies!

Marwell Zoo—Year 6

This term, Year Six paid a visit to the many animals at Marwell Zoo. Here, they caught a glimpse of some of the most endangered animals in the world including African rhinos, cheetahs and North African ostriches. The red panda and giraffes were a hit!



Winchester—Year 4

On 10th and 11th January, Year Four enjoyed a fantastic school trip to Winchester. Here, pupils visited the Town Museum in order to carry out research about Anglo Saxon history. Children were able to dress as Anglo Saxons and look at artefacts from this period.



The children explored the various animals as part of an adaption trail linked to their Science topic this term. During their trip, the children discovered how animals have cleverly adapted to their environment over time.

Each class also was able to handle a range of creatures (including a rat and a giant stick insect) in an adaption workshop – a real highlight of the day.



Term Highlights

Tudor Day—Year 5

If you think you may have seen an executioner looking suspiciously like Mr Joint roaming around the school corridors just before half-term, you were right as all Year Five children and teachers enjoyed the annual Tudor Day!

With elaborate costumes ranging from Henry VIII to a court jester, each class enjoyed dressing up as a Tudor for the day. Children took part in a range of exciting activities which included Tudor dancing, a Crime and Punishment workshop, brass rubbing and creating a Shakespearian storyboard in IT. The pupils and teachers looked wonderful in their Tudor costumes.



A visit from an Anglo-Saxon—Year 4

We were delighted to welcome a real Anglo Saxon warrior to Year Four this term. Children learnt how Anglo Saxons dressed in this period of time and how their clothes reflected their rank in society. As a soldier in battle the warrior unveiled the steel coat of armour which protected soldiers from



short range harm and various weapons. Everyone was amazed that soldiers ran and fought in such a heavy item of clothing, while carrying spears and shields. Battle tactics were also discussed and children had the exciting experience of defending themselves using shields against spears and swords!

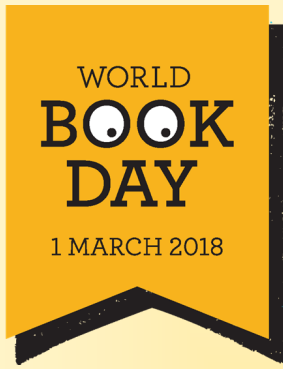
French Connection—Year 5

Pupils from Year Five were thrilled to be asked to visit Waverley Grange Care Home to perform some French with the residents. The children rose to the challenge and performed three French stories with enthusiasm. The pupils had a wonderful time and the residents loved it; they even enjoyed a waltz! There are now plans to continue with the French Connection Community Project, with future performances and conversations in French, so watch this space!



Victorian Roadshow—Year 6

On 19th February, Year Six children were lucky enough to have the opportunity to live the life of a Victorian servant. The gym was miraculously transformed into a wealthy Victorian's house and a dirty street. Firstly, pupils were introduced to all of the jobs that they would face; washing clothes, polishing boots, sweeping the carpet, grinding coffee beans and even catching rats (fake ones, of course!) Charlie, 6W, commented. "It was an amazing experience and I loved using old-fashioned ways to make ice-cream!"



WORLD BOOK DAY 2018

Pupils at South Farnham School celebrated this year's World Book Day on Thursday 1st March. Many of our pupils have entered a National Competition to design a 'World Book Day Token'. One lucky winner's design will be turned into a real National Book Token gift card and distributed to bookshops nationwide in time for Christmas. Watch this space!

In school, our Year Three pupils were lucky enough to listen to Jennifer Henwood, author of Atticus's Secret who came to read her latest book to the children. Year Four were paired with Year Six children to show their latest reads and enjoyed a shared reading across all classes. Meanwhile Year 5 took part in an online book show where authors and illustrators shared stories with the pupils.

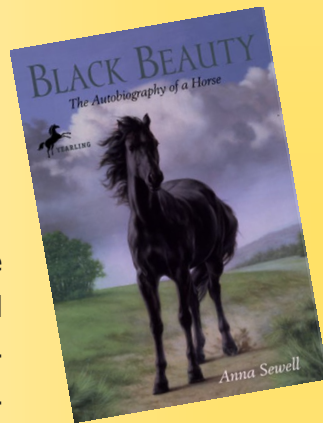
To continue the celebrations, Newspaper Club has asked school teachers to share their favourite childhood reads. We hope you enjoy the reviews and will be inspired to pick up a book!

Black Beauty

Anna Sewell

Black Beauty is a horse with a fine black coat and a silver star on his forehead. The story of his upbringing, the hardship and cruelty he suffers is told through Black Beauty's eyes. Eventually, Black Beauty finds security and happiness in a new home. It made me cry!

Mrs Woodcock

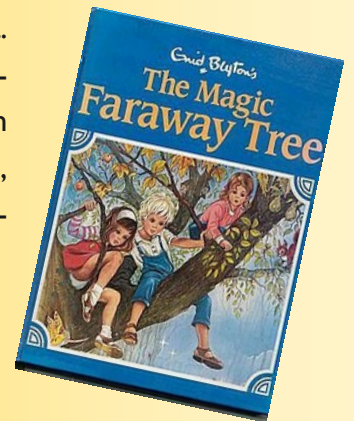


The Magic Faraway Tree

Enid Blyton

When I was a child, I used to love reading this book to see which magical land the tree would take the children to next. Filled with colourful characters (like Saucepan Man and Mister Whatzisname), there is never a dull moment in their adventures!

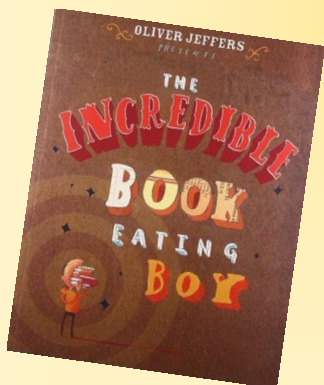
Miss Wray



The Incredible Book Eating Boy

Oliver Jeffers

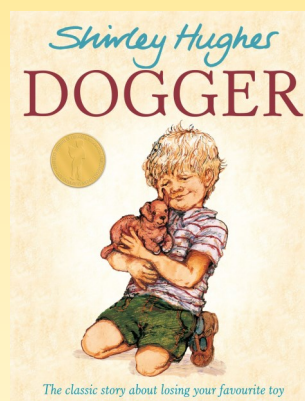
Reading this book always makes me laugh and smile. The journey that Henry goes on from beginning to read and then reading more and more reminds me of my appetite for books! An excellent read for all book lovers.



Miss Proudfoot

Dogger

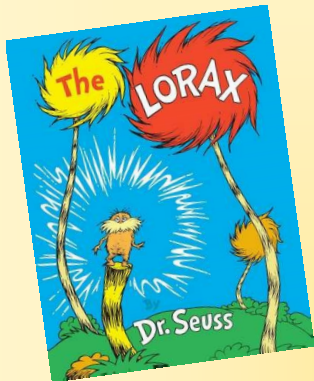
Shirley Hughes



I always remember my Mum reading me this story when I was little. It was always so lovely hearing about the little boy's relationship with Dogger—until he loses him at the school fair! It all ends happily for Dogger though!

Mr Friend

TEACHERS' BOOK REVIEWS!



The Lorax

Dr. Seuss

The Lorax has always been one of my favourite books. Not only is it fun to read, bringing Dr. Seuss' fantastic imagination to life, but it also has a brilliant message. "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

Mr Selmes

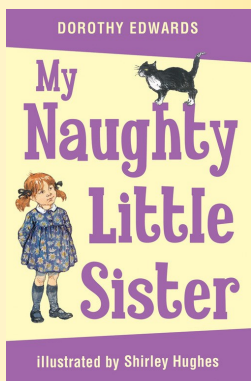
My Naughty Little Sister

Dorothy Edwards

I really enjoyed this book as it reminded me of my sister—I thought she was very naughty.

The illustrations were lovely and looked exactly like me and my sister. Well worth a read!

Miss Whitbourn



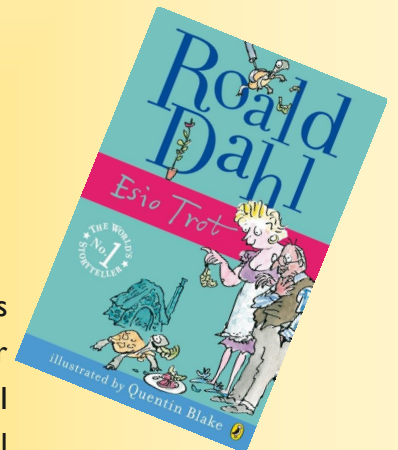
Esio trot

Roald Dahl

I loved the characters in this book and their relationship together. I think it is wonderful

that he wants to make Mrs Silver happy and goes and buys all the tortoises in the local shops. A wonderful feel-good story about how the small things in life make people happy.

Miss Lovelock



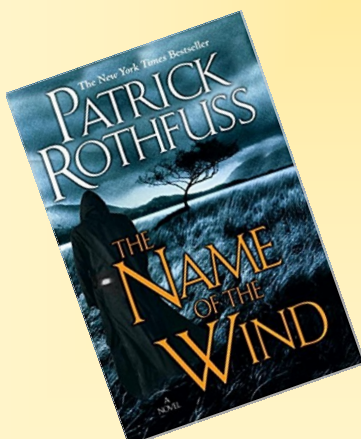
The Name of the Wind

Patrick Rothfuss

One of those rare books you just cannot put down, The Name of the Wind ignited my interest in the Fantasy/ Science-Fiction realms of a dark, dangerous and delightfully droll world.

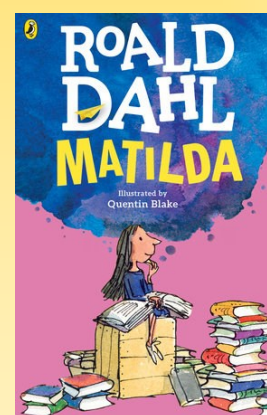
Following an interview with Kvothe, the man known as 'Kingkiller' amongst others, we delve into a story driven by perseverance, desperation and a lust for revenge.

Mr Strachan



Matilda

Roald Dahl



An inspirational story with a superb message to never give up on yourself despite life's challenges. Heart-warming characters and many comical moments (I especially love when Matilda superglues her father's hat to his head). Miss Honey was my favourite

character as I always wanted to be a teacher, just like her!

Miss Smyth

Science Week

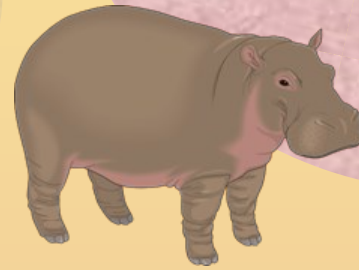
Humans get a little taller in space because there is no gravity pulling down on them.

South Farnham School celebrated British Science Week from 9th—18th March. Classes took part in a variety of exciting experiments and activities throughout the week including writing in invisible ink, making a birds' nest using a peg as a beak and listening to a fascinating about DNA.

Here are some fun scientific facts for you to enjoy...

Although the Stegosaurus dinosaur was over 9 metres long, its brain was only the size of a walnut.

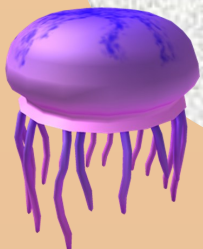
A hippopotamus may seem huge but it can still run faster than a man.



Sneezing with your eyes open is impossible.



The tentacles of the giant Arctic jellyfish can reach 120 feet (36.6 metres) in length.



Butterflies taste food by standing on top of it! Their taste receptors are in their feet unlike humans who have most on their tongue.



QUIZ PAGE

TEST YOUR BRAIN WITH OUR EASTER-THEMED PUZZLES!

Easter Word Search



EASTER
EGG
BUNNY
CHICK

HUNT
BASKET
BONNET
CHOCOLATE

ANAGRAMS

Unscramble these Easter words::

abekst
cchik
ginprs
hoacctole
nynbu



EASTER CRACKERS!

Below are a selection of our favourite Easter jokes. How many more do you know?

Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg a joke?

It might crack-up!

What day does an Easter egg hate the most?

Fry-day!

How does the Easter Bunny stay in shape?

Eggs-ercise and hare-obics!

What do you call a rabbit with fleas?

Bugs Bunny!

What did the Easter Bunny say to the carrot?

It's been gnawing you!

What do you get if you pour boiling water down a rabbit

Hot cross bunnies!



SFS Sporting News

South Farnham Cup

On Wednesday the 7th of March, a large number of children from Year Six took part in the South Farnham Cup. This is an annual competition where children choose their own teams and compete in either football or netball.



Pupils must select and name a team and then they have the opportunity to play against others. At the end, the team with the most points is crowned the winner.

This year, *6E United* came first in the football and *Mad Mangoes* won the netball. Well done to all pupils who took part and represented themselves and the school brilliantly.



Running for charity

Pupils had a wonderful time participating in the fun run for Sports Relief on 23rd March! Each child donated £1 to complete as many laps of the astro pitch as possible in fifteen minutes.



Many children opted for straight forward running, while others used more creative methods such as hopping, jumping or walking backwards. Teachers were seen skipping and tied together for a three-legged race! A big thank you to all of you who participated. The money raised helps vulnerable people, across the UK and the world, to live happier, healthier and safer lives.



Just keep swimming...

We were delighted to finish in 2nd place in this year's Swimming Gala which took place at Farnham Leisure Centre on 8th February when we won the most improved performance compared to last year's results.

A huge 'well done!' to all those who were involved in the trials and the Gala and remember to keep training in preparation for next year.



We are the champions...

South Farnham footballers have also been celebrating after winning the Farnhamme Confederation League Cup. The prestigious annual tournament, played by 13 local schools since 1974, involved a wealth of talented young footballers playing competitive matches over three months. More than 30 Year Six children at South Farnham School were involved in this season's matches, helping to place the school at the top of the local league. Led by Year Five teacher and football squad coach, Miss Lovelock, the team have trained in all weather conditions and are proud of their achievement. The winning team was a mixed group of boys and girls and it was amazing to see how their football skills and teamwork had grown.