

Friday Flyer

26th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, staff had training from Cambridgeshire Virtual School on 'Recovery Through Relationships'. It showed some immersive films through Virtual Reality Headset/ 2D where the training is delivered online. The films immerse you into the world of a child / young person who is experiencing trauma which we got to experience through their eyes. It was very powerful staff training and completely confirmed that everything we do at Selwyn is built on the foundations of relationships; that goes for parents and carers too.

Iguanas class

Wow! What a week we have had in Iguanas. In art, we have begun our exploration of Van Gogh and using textures. We have seen huge improvements in our reading ages and our eagerness to read our class book in English and we have continued to approach maths with an open mind and a willingness to challenge ourselves. Learners have found a love for sticker art posters and our learning area is slowly becoming more colourful. We continue to work on our kindness in class and keeping an open dialogue about how we are feeling and how we can all support each other to get the very best out of our day. As per usual, it has been a joy to be with the Iguanas this week and I cannot wait to see what we can achieve and do next week. I hope you all have a wonderful and well rested weekend. Miss Hunko

Crocodile class

Good morning all readers, formal or informal? We have been looking at and using informal and formal language which we have been practising throughout the day as well as improving our phonics and handwriting which are both really coming on! I always say this, but it has been ANOTHER great week in our class and a pleasure to teach my pupils. We have been enjoying learning to tell the time playing maths bingo and starting to get onto some difficult work looking at column addition and subtraction. We have been considering acceptable behaviour, online safety and got philosophical playing a board game asking us why we do things like, why do we go to the supermarket? We have been grouping animals by their diets; herbivores, omnivores and carnivores and the children have loved learning to do stop frame animation on their laptops for this week's computing. I hope you all have had a great week too and have a well-deserved relaxing weekend! Miss McInnes



STAR WARS
CHESS IN FOX
CLASS



PICCOLLAGE



Fox class

As this week draws to a close, I am reminded of a fantastic opportunity I was lucky enough to have 32 years ago today. I arrived in Sydney on Australia Day to begin a fabulous six months as a nanny for two young children. I am so grateful for that chance to try something new, far away from my family. I think about your children and the fantastic opportunities they are given by yourselves at home and at school with us. They may not show their gratefulness now, but in time, when they get a chance to reflect on their childhoods, I'm sure they will. There is much evidence-based research now into the way that we can help children with positive childhood experiences; you can rest assured that we will all continue to do our utmost to give our best to your children while they're here at Selwyn. A perfect example of new experiences was the new Star Wars chess set in Fox class this week. Not all of us can play chess, but those that could (staff and children) showed fantastic patience in helping those that couldn't. We have some very good strategic young minds among us. Have a good weekend. Mrs Angell

Final Thought

I would like to start celebrating achievements and goals of staff and children at Selwyn. For this reason, I include a link below for Mrs Angell's fundraising by running the Cambridge Half Marathon. We very much support her with this and will be there cheering her on. If anyone is able to donate a few pennies, I know her chosen charity will be very grateful. https://www.justgiving.com/page/charlotte-angell-1705943974349?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fcharlotte-angell-1705943974349&utm_source=email&utm_campaign=fpf-email

Have a good weekend.

Rebecca Pine

Headteacher

General School Information

Uniform

There is a school uniform for Selwyn Hall School which can be purchased from the school office. Prices are:

Polo Shirt: £8.25
Sweatshirt: £9.25
Cardigan: £10.25
T-shirt: £ 4.95

School Lunches

All children will be encouraged to have a school lunch and we will order them one every day.

School meals are free for all children at Selwyn Hall School. The menu can be requested from the school office; we are pleased to offer a choice of desserts as part of the meal options and salad and bread are also included as part of the daily meal options and are provided as standard.

There is also an allergen matrix for the menu choices per day.

Please talk to your children about the menu as we will be putting orders in every morning by 9.15am. Children will be eating their lunch with the adults in school at 12pm.
Thank you.

Term dates for the academic year 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023

School Closed for Staff Training	Friday 1st September 2023
School Closed for Staff Training	Monday 4th September 2023
Autumn Term begins	Tuesday 5th September 2023
Autumn Half Term	Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October 2023
Last Day of Autumn Term	Wednesday 20th December 2023

Spring Term 2024

Spring Term begins	Thursday 4th January 2024
Spring Half Term	Monday 19th to Friday February 2024
Last Day of Spring Term	Thursday 28th March 2024

Summer Term 2024

Summer Term begins	Monday 15th April 2024
School Closed May Bank Holiday	Monday 6th May 2024
School Closed for Staff Training	Friday 24th May 2024
Summer Half Term	Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024
School Closed for Staff Training	Monday 4th June 2024
Last Day of Summer Term	Friday 19th July 2024
School Closed for Staff Training	Monday 22nd July 2024