

Somerville News

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AIMING HIGH TOGETHER



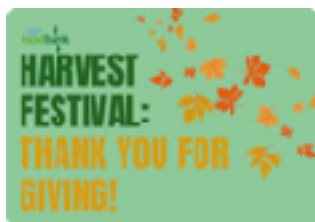
PARENTS' EVENING

Thank you so much to all the parents who were able to attend our recent Parents' Evenings! It was wonderful to see so many of you. Taking time out of your busy day to come in and talk to your child's teacher is incredibly valuable. Your attendance helps us work together as a team, ensuring we all understand how your child is getting on and how we can best support their learning and happiness at school. When parents and teachers are on the same page and work together, your child benefits the most!



HARVEST

A huge thank you to all our families for your generous food donations for our recent Harvest Festival! We are delighted to let you know that all these donations have been collected by the Wirral Food Bank. Your generosity will go directly towards supporting local families in need right here in our community. Thank you once again for helping us share the spirit of the harvest with those who need it most!



SCHOOL OFFICE - CONTACT - GENTLE REMINDER

To help protect valuable learning time and ensure our children can concentrate fully, we are adjusting how we manage calls and early pick-ups during the school day.

Our teachers and school leaders have highlighted that frequent, non-urgent interruptions to the classroom are disrupting lessons and impacting children's focus. We want every minute in the classroom to count!

What This Means Going Forward:

Protecting Lessons: The school office will no longer disturb a classroom unless it is a genuine emergency or a pre-arranged pick-up that was communicated well in advance.

Please remember: We will not call the classroom for non-urgent requests like "checking on a child." If there is a problem or an urgent issue with your child, we will contact you immediately.

Managing Early Pick-Ups: If you need to collect your child early for an appointment that wasn't planned ahead of time:

Please check in at the school office as usual.

However, an office staff member will now wait for the next transition time (like the end of a lesson) before collecting your child. This prevents the learning from being stopped abruptly.

Please be prepared to wait for this transition while we retrieve your child respectfully. The time you wait will depend on where in the lesson the children are.

Thank you for helping us make sure every child has the best possible environment for learning!

ZONES OF REGULATION – EXPLORING THE GREEN ZONE

Last week we moved onto **THE GREEN ZONE - The JUST RIGHT Zone.**

How to spot The Green Zone:

Children learned that when they are in The Green Zone, when they are:

- ▶ Smiling, breathing calmly and their muscles are relaxed
- ▶ Speaking with a steady and respectful voice
- ▶ Able to listen and respond
- ▶ Show interest in others and the world around them
- ▶ Sit and play nicely
- ▶ Calm, content and happy
- ▶ Able to complete tasks

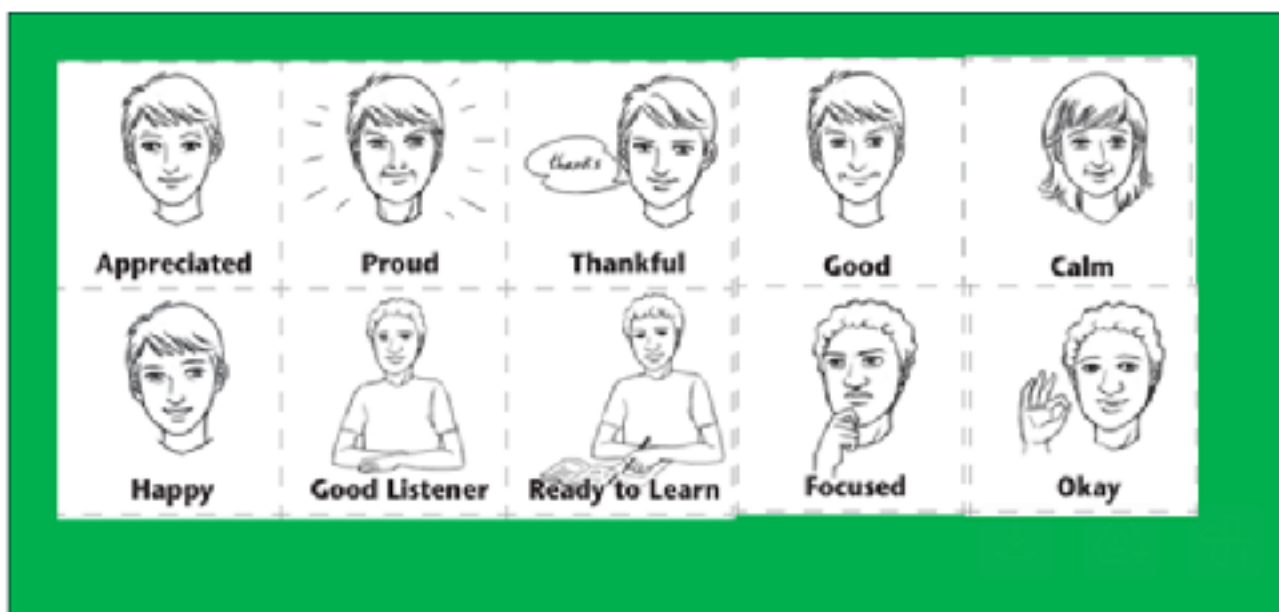
Tools for The Green Zone:

The children worked on exploring ways to help them stay calm, focussed and feeling good. Some of the tools the children added to their toolbox this week included:

- ▶ Utilising mindfulness breaks
- ▶ Incorporating movement and physical activity into their routines
- ▶ Staying hydrated and drinking water
- ▶ Listening to calming music
- ▶ Finding a quiet space
- ▶ Having a grown up (your trusted adult) checking in on you
- ▶ Most importantly of all...**HAVE ENOUGH GOOD QUALITY SLEEP**

- ▶ **Remember:** All feelings are okay! The goal isn't to be in the Green Zone (calm, happy, and focused) all the time. It's about learning what zone we are in and how to manage our feelings to help us get back to a calm state.

We encourage you to try some of these strategies at home and use the "**GREEN Zone**" language with your child. Be kind to yourselves and to others!



Please note that INSET days are subject to change.

Autumn Term 2025	
Open	Monday 1 st Sept – Friday 24 th Oct
Half Term	Monday 27 th Oct – Friday 31 st Oct
Open	Monday 3 rd Nov – Friday 19 th Dec
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22 nd Dec – Friday 2 nd Jan

Spring Term 2026	
Open	Monday 5 th Jan – Friday 13 th Feb
Half Term	Monday 16 th Feb – Friday 20 th Feb
Open	Monday 23 rd Feb – Friday 27 th March
Spring Break	Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April

Summer Term 2026	
Open	Monday 13 th April – Friday 22 nd May
May Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May
Half Term	Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May
Open	Monday 1 st June – Monday 20 th July

190 Pupil days and 5 INSET Days 2025 – 2026

- 1. Monday 1st Sept 2025**
- 2. Monday 5th Jan 2026**
- 3. Monday 13th April 2026**
- 4. Monday 1st June 2026**
- 5. Monday 20th July 2026**

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Whole school dates for the diary

Wednesday 22nd October - Monster Mash Disco - confirm details at a later date

Monday 27th - Friday 31st October - Half Term - School closed to children

Monday 3rd November - School open to pupils

Friday 14th November - Children In Need Day - Own Clothes - Money in the bucket at the gate

Monday 10th November - Anti Bullying Week Monday wear Odd socks to school - No money

Reception dates for the diary

Friday 24th October- Foundation Fun Course
Awesome Autumn

Year 1 dates for the diary

Year 2 dates for the diary

Year 3 / 4 dates for the diary

Year 6 dates for the diary

Thursday 23rd October - Year 6 residential
parents meeting

Tuesday 11th November - Friday 14th November - Year 6 Residential - Wales

