

## FRIDAY 6 JANUARY 2023

SOMERFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Welcome back and happy new year!  
I hope you enjoyed the Christmas break and weren't hit by any of the nasty bugs going around. We have really enjoyed welcoming the children back in to school and seeing how well they have settled back into school routines—even if they did look a bit tired on the first day back!

Mrs Frampton

### Attendance

Our expectation for attendance is 96% or above.  
Children need to be in school every day and on time to ensure the best chance of reaching their potential.

Please remember that where possible, medical appointments should be made out of school time and the school will not authorise leave in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Holidays are not considered exceptional circumstances and are likely to result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to each parent for each child.

### Attendance at the end of this week

Whole school: 93.4% compared to 93.2% nationally  
Year 1: 92.6% (92.8 nationally)  
Year 2: 93.8% (93.6 nationally)  
Year 3: 94.8% (93.9 nationally)  
Year 4: 90.1% (93.9% nationally)  
Year 5: 91.7% (93.8% nationally)  
Year 6: 91.7% (93.6 nationally)

### Punctuality

Please can you ensure your child arrives to school on time. We understand the traffic is bad at the moment in town but some families are repeatedly late and this means their children miss out on a calm start to their learning. Thank you.

### Parent Champion

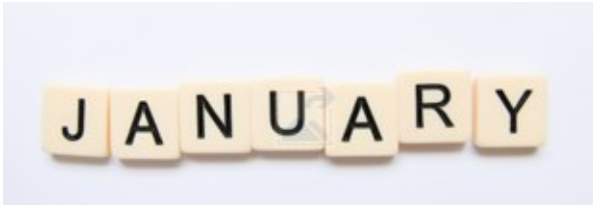
If you would like to book in to see Tash, our Parent Champion in January please email the school office.

Date: Wednesday 23rd January  
9.30 and 10.30am available.

You can talk to Tash about your child's needs, ask questions, gain advice and think about next steps for their future—she is well worth a visit!

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**Car Park**

A new year reminder to use the car park safely. Please be considerate of local residents and drive slowly at all times. Thank you.

**Headlice**

Please make sure you are regularly checking your child's hair for headlice and treating if necessary. Your child does not need to stay at home if they have headlice.

**Uniform**

Please just ask if you need some pre loved uniform. We have a large stock and all we ask is a small donation if you are able to make one.

**Family Hub**

We have a Family Hub on our site, next to the green gates at the front of school. If you would like anymore information about these sessions, pop in to the Hub or talk to our Navigator, Steph, on the school gates.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
am	9.30 to 11.00 Universal health drop in: no appointment necessary	9.00 to 3.00 Health appointments: pre-booked only	9.00 to 3.00 Newborn hearing clinic: pre-booked only	9.00 to 4.00 SALT: Speech and Language Team: pre-booked only	8.45 to 10.30 Early help navigator family drop in (Somersetford School) 27 Jan, 24 Feb, 24 March
	11.00 to 3.00 Health appointments: pre-booked only				10.00 to 12.00 Save a Baby's Life free workshop: 20 Jan (contact hub to book a place)
	10.00 to 11.15 Toddler PEEP: 9 Jan to 6 Feb	9.30 to 11.00 Come Talk with Me: 10 Jan to 28 March	10.00 to 11.00 Portage Stay and Play: First Wednesday of every month: pre-booking only	9.00 to 11.00 Early help navigator family drop in	10.00 to 12.00 Save a Child's Life free workshop: 3 March (contact hub to book a place)
	10.00 to 11.15 Ready, Steady Go! 20 Feb to 27 March	10.15 to 11.45 Together with Baby (DorPip)			
pm	1.00 to 2.30 Let's Talk with your Baby: 9 Jan to 27 March	1.15 to 2.45 Baby Massage (DorPip)	12.30 to 2.30 Crafting Futures: 11 Jan to 24 March		1.00 to 2.30 Stay and Play: 13 Jan to 31 March
			1.00 to 2.30 Parenting Journey: 11 Jan to 8 Feb		
			1.00 to 2.30 Building Positive Relationships: 22 Feb to 29 March		

**Date of next newsletter**  
Friday 20th January 2023

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