



Germander Park, Southwood and Downs Barn Schools' Newsletter September 2024

ASC Units

We are delighted to share some photographs of our new Units for children with Autistic Spectrum Condition at Southwood and Germander Park, helping with the high demand for children with additional needs in our local area. Over the Summer Holidays, a new outside area was created for our Germander Park Unit and our new Unit at Southwood was painted and prepared with some lovely resources.

Germander Park



Southwood



Facebook

We share regular news about upcoming events on our Facebook page. This is the link if you'd like to follow us too:

<https://www.facebook.com/Boulevard-Primary-Partnership-114657664463501>

Beginning of term Uniform

Reminder:

Please remember that leggings/jogging bottoms should only be worn on PE days and please make sure that children are wearing the correct shade of **emerald green** for Southwood, **red** for Downs Barn and **royal blue** for Germander Park.

Breakfast Club

Some of you may remember that in July we asked parents and carers if they would be interested in a free Breakfast Club. Unfortunately the Local Authority haven't been able to start this scheme yet, however, our Breakfast Club is still extremely cheap at only **£1.50 per day!**

Volunteering in School

We are always looking for people who would like to listen to readers, or join our teams at lunchtimes. Please consider volunteering in one of our schools if you think that you might like to be considered in the future for a Lunchtime Supervisor role, as a Cleaner, or as a Classroom Assistant. If you think this may be something you would be interested in, please contact the School Offices.



Attendance for 2023 to 2024—full year:

Germander Park:	93%
Southwood:	95%
Downs Barn:	93%

DOWNNS BARN SCHOOL HARVEST Assembly

Parents and carers are invited to an assembly on Thursday 10th October at 2.45pm

Donations for MK Food Bank will be collected from Monday 7th October and displayed at the assembly too.

MK Food Bank would really appreciate any of the following products:
 Tinned Meat
 Tinned Fish
 Long Life Milk
 Juice or Squash
 Cooking Oil
 Spreads - Jams, or Chocolate Spread
 Tinned Pasta
 Pasta Sauce
 Tinned Fruit
 Dried Rice - 500g
 Tinned Veg
 Dried Pasta
 Tinned Soups
 Savoury Snacks/Cereal Bars
 Toiletries



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Harvest Celebrations

We'll be celebrating Harvest at the Infant Schools in special Assemblies in October —please see above fliers. We'll also be collecting donations for MK Food Bank in Southwood, Germander Park and Downs Barn from Monday 7th October.



Educational Visits—Our Promise

Every year, our children at our BPP schools go on some amazing trips and have some great visitors in the schools too. Some examples are Year 1 going to Whipsnade Zoo, Year 2 going to London (with a boat ride on the Thames), Year 3 going to the Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge and Year 6 going to the Science Museum. Visitors include the Planetarium for Year 3, A Viking Visitor for Year 5 and a Fire engine with Firefighters (if they can be spared!) for Year 2. Whilst we realise that these trips can be expensive (even though we often reduce the costs using school funds), we made a commitment last year that we would make sure that we don't ask parents and carers for any more than **£20** per child for the trips for their child for the whole year. Our promise is that we will do the same this year too.