

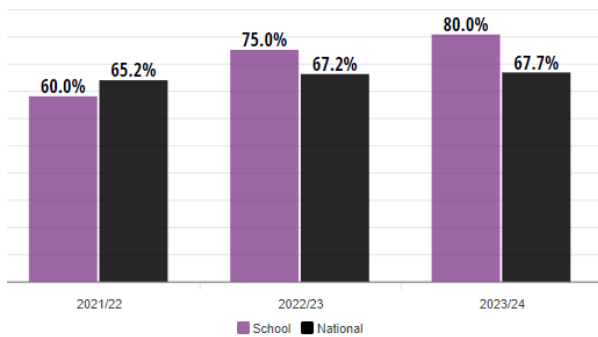
## Autumn 1 2024 Newsletter

Welcome back to another fun filled year at South Wingfield, we hope you've all had a fun filled summer making memories. It has been lovely to see you returning to school with huge smiles on your faces, ready for the fun filled year ahead

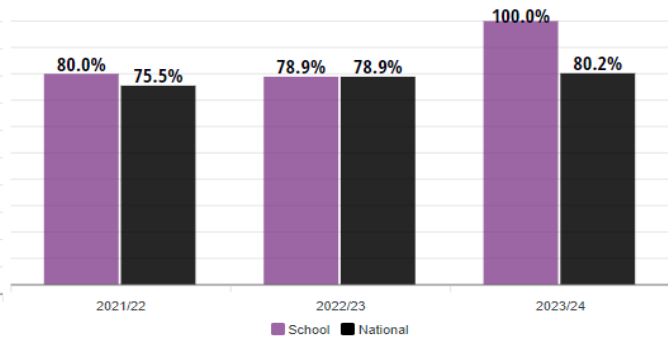
### 2023/2024 Data

As a team we are exceptionally proud of the July attainment figures, these truly reflect the hard work and dedication of the children and the staff team!

EYFSP: Good Level of Development | Trend



Phonics: Expected Standard (Year 1) | Trend



For the first time since implementing our Phonics scheme all of the Year 1 children passed their Phonics screening check, which is an absolutely fantastic achievement. The EYFSP data was also the highest it has been in recent years and was significantly above National.

### KS2 Data

Subject	South Wingfield Achieved age related expectations	Derbyshire	National
Combined Reading Writing & Maths	66.7%	57.8%	60.5%
Reading	86.7%	73.3%	74.2%
Writing	80.0%	69.8%	71.7%
Maths	86.7%	72%	73%
SPAG	86.7%	72%	72.1%

### **Personal Belongings**

At the end of last year we had a lot of lost property, to try and reduce this please can you ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled. Children need to come to school with a school book bag or a small backpack, space in our cloakrooms is very limited. It is also important that they bring in a labelled water bottle, please avoid huge water bottles as they take up too much room on the tables. The children should also bring in their reading book and reading records so that books can be changed, and children can be heard read.

### **Attendance**

Children will line up in their classes at 8:45, the school gate will be locked at 8:55 and children arriving later must enter via the school office.

### **Healthy Snack and Packed Lunches**

Parents are asked to provide their children with a healthy (no chocolate items or crisps), nut free snack. This includes products like peanut butter, Nutella and other chocolate spreads, some cereal bars, biscuits, cookies and sauces. This is not an exhaustive list so please check packaging carefully. Thank you for your cooperation. The KS1 children are provided with a piece of fruit for their afternoon snack. If your child has packed lunch can you please ensure that none of their items include nuts, this includes spreads such as Nutella. We do have children in school with nut allergies, so this must rule must be adhered to.



### **Communication with staff**

We work very hard to build and maintain relationships with our families and working as a team is essential in providing the best for your child. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support and look forward to working with you this year.

Class teachers are available at the start and end of the school day if you want to pass a message on, if the teacher has already gone in, please leave a message with Mrs Kealy or Mrs Fisher and the information will be relayed to the relevant person. Please note that teacher's will not respond to any emails after 5pm, or before the start of the school day, they will also not respond during school holidays or weekends. If you do have an immediate safeguarding concern, then please contact 999 or Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190.

We all want the best for your children and open communication is key, however abusive or threatening e-mails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communication will not be tolerated and will be taken seriously in accordance with the Parent's Code of Conduct, which is available on the school website.

## PE

Every class has PE with Mr Woodhouse on a Tuesday, please refer to class pages for details of your child's second PE slot. All children must wear PE kit (black or navy joggers/shorts and a white t-shirt) on their PE days

## Parking

We completely understand that pick up and drop off time can be very busy. Please can you be considerate of other people's property and park with due care. Thanks



## Young Voices

We are delighted to announce that KS2 children will have the fantastic opportunity to attend and perform at Young Voices this year. A letter will be sent home with further details.



## Absence and Illness

School attendance is a key area of safeguarding practice. Evidence shows that every school day counts. In line with DFE statutory procedures and our attendance policy, you will automatically receive an attendance letter if your child is absent for more than 10% of possible sessions as this is classed as 'persistent absence'. These letters are supportive and offer ways we can help you to reduce your child's absence figure to a satisfactory level. By working together, we can ensure your child has the best possible chance at receiving the high-quality education they are entitled to. Please ensure you call the school before 8.30am each day of your

Please ensure that you call the school office on each day of your child's absence. If you do not call us we will contact you, as part of our safeguarding duties. If your child has a medical appointment please ensure that you provide the appointment card, letter or text message to a member of staff, without this evidence the absence will NOT be authorised.

Please note than in line with school policy and NHS guidance children should not attend school if they have sickness or diarrhoea. They can return to school 48 hours after their last physical bout of illness.

## School Attendance Update 2024

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty notices, the below changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines for unauthorised absences.

Education Penalty Notices are issued to the parents of statutory school age children and can be issued to each parent or carer who is deemed liable for the child's absence from school.

### First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be £160 per parent, per child within 28 days.

Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

### Second Offence (within 3 years)

The second time a Penalty notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

### Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates Court. Magistrate's Fines can be up to £2500 per parent per child.

**School are not permitted to authorise any term time holidays**

## PTA

We would like to say as HUGE thank you for all the events and fundraising they have organised to raise funds for the school. Thanks to them the children have enjoyed circus skills workshop, a pantomime, a theatre workshop and had lots of new resources including Science, DT and Art.

If you would like to be part of the team please speak to Ruth for more details.

Please be advised that the PTA are a charitable organisation and therefore work within strict guidelines, they do not benefit financially from their role, and give up their own time voluntarily.

## Governors

If you would like to be part of the Governing body we are looking for people to join us as we move forward in the next chapter. If you have an interest please speak to or email Mrs Kealy [mkealy@southwingfield.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:mkealy@southwingfield.derbyshire.sch.uk)

### INSET Days 2024-2025

4/11/24

24/2/25

22/4/25

2/6/25