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On Monday, the school council and some additional members of Class 4, had a Zoom call with children in Uganda to find out more about their school experience and how it compared to our experience at Summerseat. We learnt that the weather is very different with the temperature at 28 degrees that day in Uganda, which is cooler than the usual 32 degrees! It was 4 degrees in Summerseat. The children wore green uniforms like us but always with shorts. Class sizes are typically 70+ which is significantly different to Summerseat with a class being nearly the size of our school. The children have text books but not as many reading for pleasure books. For Covid, schools actually closed for 2 years! We also discussed ideas for fundraising for the charity so we can, 'Do all we can' for our chosen charity abroad. Across the year, between school staff and families our fundraising target is: £780. The school council had some great ideas! They voted to hold a, 'Sweet Tube Challenge' this term. Every child will bring home a Sweets tube and as they enjoy the contents, they should think about what they are thankful for. They should then use the Sweets tube to collect any money they can donate to the charity. I know that the charity will be thankful for your contributions. Please return Sweet tubes by Friday 25th March. Mr Rolle has them on order and they should be delivered to you some time next week.

Reading & Phonic Workshops

Our series of parent workshops continue next week, this time with a focus on reading and phonics. On Tuesday 8th February, you are invited to join us at 6pm at school to talk about our approach to reading and phonics, hear about the Year1 phonics screening check and also hear how you can best support your child in developing reading skills through Early Years and into Key Stage One. We do hope you will be able to join us. Please let the school office know if you plan to attend. (KS2 to be held Tues 22nd Feb 6pm).

Newsletter

Friday 4th February

Website: <https://www.summerseatmethodistprimary.co.uk/>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/Summerseat_mps



Award Winners

Who has been shining this week at Summerseat?

Class One	Shine Award: Delilah
Class Two	Value Award: Gabriel
Class Three	Shine Award: Blake Values Award: Emily
Class Four	Shine Award: Jess Values Award: Will

Dates for your Diary—for dates further ahead, please visit the calendar on the school website.

Wk Beg: 7th Feb	Mental Health Awareness Week
Tues 8th Feb	Reading & Phonics Parent Workshop—6pm Class 1 & Class 2
Tues 8th Feb	Safer Internet Day
Tues 8th Feb	GB Invictus Athlete Sean Gaffney visit & sponsored event
Thurs 10th Feb	Valentine Cake Sale—3:20pm
Fri 11th Feb	School closes for half term—3:30pm
Mon 21st Feb	School Re-opens for Spring 2
Wk Beg: 28th Feb	World Book Week World Book Day Thurs 3rd March

Reminder: Sean Gaffney Visit & Sponsored Event

On 8th February, Invictus athlete Sean Gaffney will be leading a sponsored fitness circuit with all pupils and follow-up with a talk and question and answer session for the school. You should all have received a letter and a sponsorship form explaining how we will be getting involved. If you haven't, please contact the school office.

I know we will have a great day and we will share photos of the event via our Twitter page and the school website.

All children should come to school in sports clothes on Tuesday 8th so they are ready to take part in the sponsored event.

Attendance **Every Day Counts!**

Please see below your child's year group attendance and how this compares with expectations:

Attendance	Grade Indicator
Above 96.1%	High
96% - 95.1%	Above Average
95% - 94%	Average
Below 94%	Low

This week's results:

Class 1	96.8%
Class 2	97.0%
Class 3	92.3%
Class 4	93.9%

Our attendance trophy this week goes to ...

Class 2