



# THE SOHO SCOOP

News and Views from Soho Parish

28/04/2022

## Headline



What perfect weather we have had for the start of the summer term. We are looking forward to many more opportunities for outdoor learning and sports over the coming months, including our sports morning for KS1 on Thursdays and KS2 on Fridays (do let your class teacher know if you can volunteer).

This term we have returned to whole school assemblies and we are delighting in the opportunity to be together as a school community. We are also planning opportunities for parents to come back inside the school building to see what their children are learning, and will let you know more as we finalise our arrangements. We can't wait to welcome you back. Any parents who joined us during the pandemic and were unable to tour the school are invited to contact James ([james@sohoparish.co.uk](mailto:james@sohoparish.co.uk)) and we will arrange one now.

Thank you for signing up so promptly for clubs at the end of last term. This enabled us to begin all clubs right from the start of term, as we hope to do now each term. Payments are now due, so please make these equally promptly.

I hope you enjoyed your parent teacher meetings this term. We are, once again, extremely proud of the progress made by the children. I am in awe of their commitment to learning and their teachers' drive to 'make up for lost time'.



**Soho Food Feast**  
Supporting Soho Parish Primary School

Finally, I am delighted that the Soho Food Feast is able to go ahead. I will record a video message regarding this, which will follow shortly. I hope you have saved the date of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June

and will come along to sample the delights of Soho's finest eateries. The event itself is powered by volunteers – so please also sign up for a shift, it gets you free entry!

*Louise*

## Diary Dates

**28<sup>th</sup> April** – Wear the Flag day

**29<sup>th</sup> April** – Sponsored sport activities in Regents' Park

**9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 SATs week

**16<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 2 SATs begin

**18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 4 Residential (Dalesdown)

**27<sup>th</sup> May** – Last day of term

**9<sup>th</sup> June** – First day of term

**18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> June** – Soho Food Feast



I am delighted to tell you that we will be holding our Regents Park weekly sports half day throughout the summer term, as last year. Each Friday pupils in Years 3-6 will walk to Regents Park for two hours of sports coaching and fun with their teachers and coaches from the YMCA.

Working with a kind sponsor, we developed this project last year in response to the very limited sports and physical health opportunities pupils had had during the restrictions of the pandemic. It was noticeable how pupil fitness and well-being improved during the term.

This year is slightly different, in that we will be travelling to the park in the morning each Friday, starting on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April (the second week back). The sports sessions will run from 10-12 and we will then have packed lunches afterwards, before returning to school for afternoon lessons.



If your child normally has a **school lunch**, we will provide a packed lunch for them to take to the park. We recommend you provide them with a **healthy snack** as well as their usual bottle of water in a rucksack which can also accommodate their school packed lunch.

Children should wear clothes appropriate for sport (shorts, tshirt, tracksuit) to school in the morning, as there will not be time to change first. Older children may wish to bring a change of clothes for their return to school.



Children should bring a hat and suncream or waterproof coat depending on the whims of British summertime.



We are very excited to run this project again. I know staff and children are looking forward sports and fun in the fresh air. If you are able to volunteer to walk to the park and back with your child's class, please email the class teacher. Y4 parents can now email [craig@sohoparish.co.uk](mailto:craig@sohoparish.co.uk).

# SOHO KIDS XMAS LIGHTS 2022

At the success of last year's Christmas Lights Competition, which saw the student's designs light up Soho, we are embarking on the project for a second year running! This year's theme is 'Identity of Place', focusing

on what Soho means to the children, thinking about how we create feelings of identity and a sense of place from the areas we live, learn, travel and play.

This term Architect and Project Manager, Antonio Capelao came into school to work with each class during a 1.5 hour workshop. He was joined by Bryony Abbott and Sophie Draper from RIBA Learning who are supporting the project.

Antonio firstly introduced the children to the project and discussed their understanding of the built environment, it's design and what Soho means to them.



Then they were given iPads to go on a half an hour walking tour of their local neighborhood to photograph local architecture, spaces and places that stand out to or have personal meaning to them.

Back in the classroom, they selected their favourite image, using this for inspiration for their competition design entry. They were encouraged to pick out lines, textures and colours they wanted to use to design a simple neon lighting design for the streets of Soho. A theme of

food emerged and we have had some really creative designs- from Christmas croissants to crabs!





The next stage of the competition will take place in May when all 130 entries will be shown to a creative jury panel, who will pick their top 14 designs. The winner's designs will then be made into Christmas lights by Blachere Illuminations, to add to our walking tour around the school next Christmas.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and exploring their local area with a creative eye. We

can't wait to see who wins and see their lights transform the streets again, with a little bit of Soho Parish Christmas Creative magic!

If you are interested in sponsoring a light or know a business that might be interested in supporting to fund the project then please contact [hannah@sohoparish.co.uk](mailto:hannah@sohoparish.co.uk)



2022 SPONSORSHIP



Level 1

£10,000

- will cover the cost for the production and installation of 7 street light panels

Level 2

£5,000

- will cover the cost for the production and installation of 4 street light panels

Level 3

£2,500

- will cover the cost for the production and installation of 2 street light panels

## What to read after

We know that children can get hooked on a favourite book series or author and struggle to find something they love as much, but we're here to help.

It's great when young people discover a book, writer or illustrator they adore, but how can you keep that love of reading going? How can they find something else they'll enjoy as much – something that will encourage them to keep seeking out great stories?

We've put together top recommendations and suggestions – from librarians, teachers, parents, authors and children themselves – for fans of some of the biggest book series and authors. So whether it's *Harry Potter*, *Rainbow Magic* or Jacqueline Wilson, we've got ideas about where to turn next.

Type your child's favourite author or book into the search bar:

**Search What to Read  
After**

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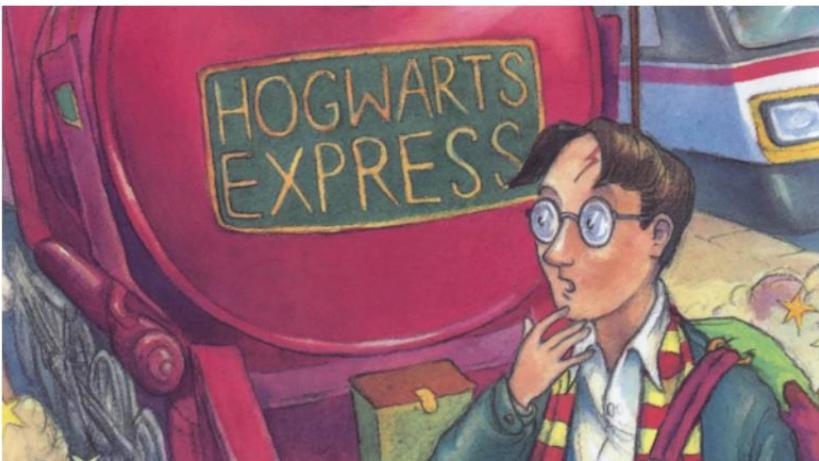


Have a look



You will find a page full of suggestions for what you child should read next:

How do you possibly follow one of the biggest series in children's literature? We have some ideas - and you've helped us out with some great ideas too!



It's still the eternal question, almost ten years after the last book in the series was published and 20 years after it began with *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*. How do you pick what to read next?

For younger readers, it may be the case that they have read *Philosopher's Stone* and *Chamber of Secrets* (and possibly *Prisoner of Azkaban*) and now need to find books to fill the gap while they grow up enough to handle the rest - after all, the series does get somewhat dark...

So what can children who love *Harry Potter* read next?

[Click here to try it!](#)

As you know, Soho Food Feast is back! We are really looking forward to 18-19<sup>th</sup> June for what is not only Soho Parish's funnest fund raiser, but also one of those events that brings the whole school community together.

The Food Feast works because of its brilliant volunteers and we would like to ask you if you want to join us in helping make it a success. The importance of parent power at this event is crucial, please watch the video below to find out more!

### [A message from Louise – Parent Power at Soho Food Feast!](#)

There are many different roles and ways to help and all volunteers gain FREE entry into the Soho Food Feast on the day they volunteer, plus a food token on completion of their 2-hour slot.

### [Click here to book your volunteering slot!](#)

Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased by [clicking here](#). We are hoping this year's will be the most successful yet. The profits from this fabulous venture help to sustain our school. Soho Parish families are entitled to subsidised tickets (With Children 16 and under going free if accompanied by an adult). This year we are offering 2x subsidised tickets per family (costing £5 plus booking fee each instead of the general public cost of £15). To redeem this offer, please enter the code **2022family2022** at the checkout. This code is **only to be used by Soho Parish families**, so please do not share this code. Please book the tickets in your own name as the list will be cross referenced to ensure only adults on our system have purchased tickets using the discount code.

General sale tickets can be purchased [by clicking here](#).

A vibrant, collage-style poster for the 10th Soho Food Feast. The background is filled with various food items like tomatoes, mushrooms, and bread. In the center, a silver cooking pot sits on a burner. The text is bold and colorful, with '10th' in large black letters, 'SOHO FOOD FEAST' in black, and 'JUNE 18th & 19th 2022' in red. Below the main title, a list of participating restaurants is provided in white text on a black background. At the bottom, it says 'TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW' and 'WWW.SOHOFODFEAST.CO.UK' in white.

**10th**  
**SOHO FOOD FEAST**  
**JUNE 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> 2022**

BAR CRISPIN, GROUCHO, STICKS N SUSHI, LINA STORES  
CEVICHE, KOYA, KRICKET, BRASSERIE ZEDEL, BAO,  
BANANA TREE, UGLY DUMPLING, PHO, KASA AND KIN,  
DUCKSOUP, NORMA, PITSTOP, GUNPOWDER, DEAN STREET  
TOWNHOUSE, SUSSEX RESTAURANT, DEHESA, ANDREW  
EDMUNDS, HAM YARD, RASA SAYANG, BRINDISA,  
MALIBY AND GREEK, MELE E PERE, CECCONI PIZZA BAR  
BLACKLOCK, FLAT IRON, GAUTHIER, PARADISE, RITAS,  
OLD COMPTON BRASSERIE AND...  
GUEST APPEARANCE FROM SOHO FOOD FEAST FOUNDER  
**MARGOT HENDERSON OBE**

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# Manga Club 'Xpress

**Autism Friendly.**

Manga \* Anime \* Games \* Badminton

- Dungeons and Dragons \* Crafts

**10 - 16 year olds**

**Wednesdays 4.30-6.00pm**

(Term time)

**Westbourne Park Family Centre, W2 5DX**

**opposite Royal Oak tube station**

A space to play, chat, watch, be active or chill



**Register here or go to:**

[westbourneparkfamilycentre.org.uk](http://westbourneparkfamilycentre.org.uk)

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