

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank everyone who came to the parents meetings to discuss with the teachers their child's progress. I hope you found the meetings helpful. If you missed this opportunity and would still like to meet your child's class teacher, please call the school office and we will try to arrange a meeting or telephone conversation.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you about school uniform. The correct uniform is on the website. Children need to wear black school shoes to school, they can bring trainers to change into at breaktime. Trainers can only be worn to school on PE days and must be

Thank you for your support.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Jerrom

Dates for your Diary

Fri 17th Nov - Y6 Sutton Life Centre Trip

W/B 20th Nov - Y2 Learn to ride a bike

Wed 22nd Nov - Boys Football Pokemon Cup

Fri 24th Nov - Girls Football Pokemon Cup

Fri 24th Nov - Y3 & Y4 Climbing Festival

W/B 4th Dec - Enterprise Week

Tues 12th Dec - Rudolph Run

Wed 13th Dec - Christmas Lunch KS1 Fri 15th Dec - Christmas Lunch KS2

Thurs 21st Dec—Break up for Christmas

2pm finish

Inset Day

There will be an additional inset day on Monday 4th December. The children will return to school as normal on Tuesday 5th December.

Lost Property

Yet again the lost property box is overflowing! If your child's clothing is not named then we will be unable to return items to the children and they will be put in the lost property box which can be located in the office. If your child has recently lost an item of clothing, please come and check to see if it has been handed in as we will dispose of any uncollected items at the end of term.

Headteacher Awards

Terry-Junior Y4 - for following the ASPIRE values and setting a good example

Atputthaa Y4 - for fantastic geography homework about caves, arches, stacks and stumps

Laike YR - for great writing using tricky words

Leah Y5 - for super geography homework about India and Mauritius

Faizan Y4 - for great geography homework about natural disasters

Melanie Y6 - for collaborating with Amelie to do three extra pieces of homework

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Aaliyah Y5 - for writing a story called 'The Flying Dog' and entering it into the 500 words competition with the BBC

Marcus Y5 - for writing a fabulous poem for homework

Jessie-Leigh Y6 - for writing a fabulous historical letter to the king about slavery

Krishma Y3 - for gaining her pen licence and writing a great cinquain poem

Dhanya Y4 - for making a model of a Viking longboat for homework

Sonny Y4 - for great effort with his maths work on shapes

Pranav Y3 - for fantastic writing about fireworks

Zeeshan Y2 - for super geography homework about volcanoes

Harley Y4 - for drawing a fantastic Anti-Bullying Week poster



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UKS2 News (Years 5 and 6)

This week, in Year 5, the children have been learning about Morse code during computing. They have enjoyed decoding and sending a range of messages and were able to reason that some of the letters had less symbols due their frequent use. In science the children have been testing which materials are conductors and insulators by putting them into an electrical circuit. They were amazed to find out that graphite from a pencil was the only non-metal conductor.

In Year 6, in English the children have been focusing on grammatical features and also researching the history of the Windrush to create a non-chronological report. In science, the children have begun the topic of 'Living things and their Habitats'. Penguins and Seals have looked at the way in which animals can be grouped together and have begun to look at the work of Carl Linnaeus. In topic children have continued to look in more details at the slave trade. Today the children in Year 6 are going on a trip to the Sutton Life Centre to work on some elements of high school transition.

Mrs McLean

LKS2 News

This week in year 4 we are learning to write a Viking myth. We have been inspired by the story 'Thor fishing for Jormungand'. We are including Viking artefacts, what we have learnt about Viking daily life and Viking mythological characters. Our writing skill focus is a full range of punctuation and conjunctions. In maths this week, we have been practising all our times tables. The children have all improved their timed scores on j2blast and are very proud of their progress.

This week in year 3 we have taken on the role of a team of archaeologists who have uncovered an ancient burial site containing a number of human remains. We are using sources of evidence to write a report on the burial site for the journal 'Archaeology Today'! In Science we have been testing different materials to see which are magnetic or non-magnetic and discussing forces and the magnetic field.

Mrs Iraola

KS1 News (Years 1 & 2)

Last week Year 1 shared the story The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson. They found out that owls are nocturnal and that for Plop this was a problem. They planned visual sentences using Lego to represent words before writing the dictated sentences from the story, focusing on using spaces and full stops. This week they have been reading the story of Leaf Man by Lois Ehlert, finding out that 'A Leaf Man's got to go where the wind blows'. Again they wrote dictated sentences about the story. In Mathematics the children have been using Numicon to help them learn the number bonds of ten, they are getting quicker at this and aim to know them by heart.

Miss Thirtle

Foundation Stage

In Nursery this week, the children have been enjoying their 'Once Upon a Time' topic. They have been learning about Princes, Princesses and dragons. They have enjoyed being creative and decorating their own shields. They have pretended to be princes and princesses themselves by making crowns to wear in their games. Nursery have listened to the story of Cinderella.

This week in Reception, the children have been continuing looking at the topic 'Marvellous Machines'. We have been discussing what machines are and how they work. The children have been thinking about our own machines that we have seen on their way to school or at home and why and how they might be used. Reception have been reading poems about machines and identifying the rhyming words. They have even tried to think of their own rhyming words!

The children have enjoyed looking at the display photos of different machines and the children took it in turns to describe these machines for example: the washing machine makes a 'whirr', 'hum', 'whizz', 'hum', 'clank' noise.

The children have also been developing their listening and attention skills by listening to the cbeebies 'Maddie's do you Know' podcast. After listening, the children were then asked questions to find out how much they remember.

The children have also been really keen to show off their phonics knowledge and will take any opportunity to explore their writing skills. The children have been practising and writing our tricky words. This week so far we have learnt the sound 'v', 'w', 'x'. They have been practising forming these letters on the white board. They have also been writing words to match the pictures.

Perhaps over the weekend, your children can go on a machine hunt and think about what the machine's job is and what sounds they make! Don't forget to tell your teacher what you discover!



Miss Digman



Anti-bullying week

This week the school has been celebrating anti-bullying week. The theme this year is 'Make a Noise about Bullying'. This reminds us to not sit back when we know about some bullying but to tell someone about it. The children started the week with Odd Sock day and we reminded each other that we are all different and all special, and most importantly this can't be a reason for bullying. Throughout the week the children got involved in PSHE lessons, assemblies and other activities to learn about anti-bullying. Some excellent posters are going up around the school made by the children so we continue to remember our learning over the coming weeks and months.



Absence Request Forms

Absence request forms are now available from the school office. If you are requesting time off for your child during term time then this form needs to be completed and handed in to the office. Authorisation will only be given for requests of absence due to exceptional circumstances.

Jane Barbury

Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school or nursery when they're unwell. The link below will give you an indication on whether you should send your child into school or keep them at home.

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

If you do decide to keep your child at home, please remember that you must call the school office to let us know that they will not be in and give us a reason.

School Term and Holiday Dates for the 2023/24 Academic Year

AUTUMN TERM Monday 4th September - Friday 20th October
School Holiday Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October

Monday 30th October - Thursday 21st December

School Holiday Friday 22nd December - Friday 5th January

SPRING TERM Monday 8th January - Friday 9th February

School Holiday Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February

Monday 19th February - Thursday 28th March

School Holiday Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April

SUMMER TERM Monday 15th April - Friday 24th May

School Holiday Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Monday 3rd June - Wednesday 24th July

INSET DAYS

Monday 4th September Tuesday 5th September Monday 4th December Monday 8th January Wednesday 24th July