Dear Parents and Carers

Good news! For the first time since we have had to set targets for attendance, we achieved our target for 2009-10.

The target was 93% attendance. We achieved 93.3%. We haven’t reached national standards yet but we have taken an important step towards getting there. The best year were Year 5 - now Year 6, who had consistently good attendance throughout the year. I’m hoping for even better this year.

Well done everyone!

The PTFA table top sale will take place on Wednesday 10th November at 3pm in the school hall.

Please see attached letter from the PTFA with more details and a reply slip if you would like to reserve a table.

Parking
Please do not park on the zig-zag lines outside school. They are there for our children’s safety and, if you get caught you will be fined. Please also remember that the school car-park is for staff and official visitors and must not be used to drop off or collect your children. You may park in Sutton Arena car-park. We have an arrangement with them and they are quite happy for you to use their car-park at the beginning and end of the day.

The school council cake sale raised £182.82 towards a new liner for the swimming pool.

A big thank you to everyone who donated and bought cakes.

Einstein’s Entertainers

The deadline for joining the science club run by Einstein’s Entertainers has been extended to Thursday 21st October. If your child would like to attend this after school club, please return the reply slip (sent out with last week’s newsletter) & payment to Miss Thirtle in Butterfly class by Thursday 21st October.
Parents drop-in sessions with the school nurse
These sessions will continue to run next half term.
The dates are Thursday 4 November, Thursday 18 November, Thursday 2 December and Thursday 16 December.
On these dates, the school nurse will be in the Round Room from 2pm. If there is anything you would like to discuss with her, please pop along to one of these sessions.
There is no need to book.

Punctuality
We are still getting a lot of children arriving late for school (after the gate has closed).
Please make sure your children get to school on time, so that they enter through the correct playground entrance and not through the school office.

Fun Sponsored Santa Dash
St Raphael's Hospice are organising a “Fun Sponsored Santa Dash” at 11 o’clock on Saturday 11th December in Nonsuch Park to raise money for the hospice.
The Santa Dash is great fun—you can do it as a group of friends, work colleagues or family. Children are also welcome when accompanied by an adult. The closing date for entries is Friday 26th November.
Leaflets which include an entry form are available to collect from the school reception area.

Dates for your diary for the next few weeks
- Wednesday 20th October—Harvest assemblies (9:30am Reception classes & Middle Phase / 2:30pm Upper Phase)
- Thursday 21st October—Foundation Stage cake sale ALL DAY
- Thursday 21st October—Year 3 visit Pizza Express (Turtle Class)
- Thursday 21st October—2pm—Parents drop-in session with school nurse
- Thursday 21st October—Children break up for half term
- Friday 22nd October—INSET day—School and Children’s Centre closed
- w/c 25th October—half term
- Monday 1st November—children return to school
- Wednesday 3rd November—Spud & Yam
- Wednesday 10th November—3pm PTFA Table Top sale in the school hall
- Monday 15th November—school closes at 2pm for target setting
- Wednesday 24th November—school closes at 2pm for target setting
- Friday 3rd December—PTFA Christmas Fete

Don’t forget that next week is half term and we finish school on Thursday 21st October at the normal time. Friday 22nd October is an INSET day. Children return to school on Monday 1st November at 8:45am.

Mary Smith, Headteacher