



Dear Parents and Carers

I'm very pleased to have met so many of you already and thank you for your welcome. There is news about each of the school's three phase groups in the articles below. Dates and events for the remainder of this term and the dates for the next school year are also in this newsletter.

Michael Lovett, Interim Headteacher

### News from Foundation Stage

In Foundation Stage we had lots of fun playing on our new musical equipment (bins, brooms, saucepans etc). Now we are all ready to join the cast of "Stomp" in the West end. Thank you, Miss Turton for buying us our new equipment.

#### Well done

Lacey in Ladybird class for her super writing this week.  
 Ryan in Butterfly class for caring for our playground and keeping it clear of clutter.  
 Archie M in Nursery (am) for building a fantastic model of a robot.  
 Jason in Nursery (pm) for super counting.



### News from Middle Phase



On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, Turtle class presented their assembly about Myths and Legends. They have been learning about Pandora's Box. All the children worked very hard for their assembly. Well done Turtle Class, for carrying on despite the technical hitches, and thank you to all the parents & carers who came to support them.



### News from Upper Phase

**Year 4** have been learning all about **habitats** in their science lessons. Miss Khan took her class for a walk around the school to investigate different habitats.

**Year 5** have been studying the classic novel '**The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe**' in literacy. Karar, Liam and Alyssia in Jaguar class were awarded a Headteacher's award for their fantastic diary entries writing in character as Edmund.

**Year 5** are currently learning about the **Victorians**. We will be having our Victorian Dress up day on Friday 10th May. The children will experience what it would have been like to be a child during this time, including exercise drills and using slate and chalk!

Don't forget the **Year 6 SATs** are nearly upon us! These will take place during the week of 13th-17th May. If your child is currently in year 6 can you please remind them to make sure they get an early night and have a healthy breakfast so they are prepared for the day. It is essential they arrive to school on time.



### Thank you

Thank you to everyone who donated money to **Comic Relief** on Friday 15th March. We raised £294.52.

### Staff News

Miss K from Year 3 is now on maternity leave. We will let you know when we have news of her baby. We welcome Mrs Redman who has joined Tweeddale as the Finance Assistant.

### Class Attendance - w/c 22 April 2013

99.3%	Monkey Class		96.9%	Panda Class		95.9%	Kestrel Class
98.6%	Cheetah Class		96.8%	Polar Bear Class		95.5%	Ladybird Class
97.9%	Jaguar Class		96.7%	Puffin Class		94.7%	Hedgehog Class
97.7%	Badger Class		96.3%	Turtle Class		93.3%	Wombat Class
97.3%	Butterfly Class		96.2%	Eagle Class			

**REMINDER: Monday 6th May is a Bank Holiday. School & Children's Centre will be closed all day. Children return to school at normal time on Tuesday 7th May.**

### Parents drop-in sessions with the school nurse

Once a fortnight, the school nurse holds a drop-in session for parents/carers in the Round Room. If there is anything you would like to discuss with her, please go along to the Round Room after 2pm. The dates for this half term are Tuesday 7th May (from the earlier time of 1:30pm), Wednesday 22nd May (from the earlier time of 1:30pm), Tuesday 11th June and Tuesday 25th June.



### Dates for your diary

Monday 6th May ..... **Bank Holiday - School and Children's Centre closed**  
Thursday 9th May ..... 9:00am Monkey Class Assembly  
Friday 10th May ..... Year 5 Victorian dress up day  
w/c 13th May ..... Year 6 SATs  
Monday 20th May ..... Class photos  
Wednesday 22nd May ..... Jaguar class trip to Whitehall in Cheam  
Thursday 23rd May ..... 9:00am Hedgehog Class Assembly  
Cheetah class trip to Whitehall in Cheam  
Friday 24th May ..... Break up at normal time for May half term  
w/c Monday 27th May ..... Half Term  
Monday 3rd June ..... Children return to school at normal time  
Thursday 27th June ..... Year 6 Citizenship Day (further details to come)  
Friday 28th June ..... **INSET Day - School and Children's Centre closed**  
Monday 15th July ..... Sports Morning - Upper Phase  
Tuesday 16th July ..... Sports Morning - Reception classes & Middle Phase (Nursery date TBC)  
Wednesday 24th July ..... Last day of term - school closes at 2pm



### Term Dates 2013-2014

These are the London Borough of Sutton term dates for the 2013-2014 academic year. **Please note there are still 5 INSET days to be scheduled.** Once these are confirmed they will be added below.

Monday 2nd September 2013	- Start of Autumn term	Friday 4th April 2014	- Last day of term
w/c 28th October 2013	- Half term	Tuesday 22nd April 2014	- First day of Summer term
Friday 20th December 2013	- Last day of term	w/c 26th May 2014	- Half term
Monday 6th January 2014	- Start of Spring term	Tuesday 22nd July 2014	- Last day of term
w/c 17th February 2014	- Half term		

## Children's Centre Information

A full timetable of our activities can be found in the file downloads area on the Tweeddale website [www.tweeddaleprimary.sutton.sch.uk](http://www.tweeddaleprimary.sutton.sch.uk). You can also follow us on



[www.twitter.com/TweeddaleCC](http://www.twitter.com/TweeddaleCC)

Contact the Centre on 020 8404 1640 or email [tweeddalechildrenscentre@suttonlea.org](mailto:tweeddalechildrenscentre@suttonlea.org)



### SCOLA and Tweeddale Family Fun Day

Saturday 18th May 2013

11:00am - 3:00pm

At Tweeddale Children's Centre

SCOLA and Tweeddale Children's Centre have joined together to put on a day of **FREE** family learning activities. There will be Arts & Crafts, Soft Play Area, Circus Skills, Family First Aid, Sensory Room, Story Time Sessions and Soft Play. So come and enjoy the fun...