



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back and a particularly warm welcome to everyone joining us this term. As always, this term is a busy one and classes have already been on visits to the Tower of London and London Zoo.

#### Times Tables

You may have read the Education Secretary's announcement that by Summer 2017 children will be expected to know times tables up to 12 x 12 by the end of Year 6, presumably so they know how many pennies are in their shillings.

Like the great majority of schools, we already teach times tables and test children's knowledge. As with spellings, the key is practice and your involvement at home is vital. The three steps are; knowing a times table in order, then forwards and backwards and then at random.

#### Internet Filters

In the light of another announcement by Nicky Morgan, a reminder that our internet access is through the London Grid for Learning. LGfL already has strong firewalls and filters in place and pupils' and adults' use is monitored. We also teach our pupils about internet safety and we'll be taking part in Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 9th February.

#### National Child Measurement Programme

We have received the results for the 2013/14 survey of Reception and Y6 pupils.

32% of our pupils were overweight, including obese, compared to 25.9% for Sutton overall and 27.6% in England. 16.5% were obese, compared to 12.9% for Sutton and 13.9% for England. If you have any concerns about your child's weight, please come in to discuss this with our School Nurse, Trish Butler, or visit your GP or Practice Nurse.

Change 4 Life has a Sugar Smart app for Apple and Android phones and tablets; for information and download links go to <http://www.nhs.uk/change4life/Pages/change-for-life.aspx>

#### Earrings

A few children have had their ears newly pierced over the holiday. Please remember to remove new earrings on P.E. days or teach your children how to remove them. New piercings will not close up in one school day and we do not put tape over earrings.

#### Sutton Foodbank

We've received a certificate from Sutton Foodbank to thank us for the 34.7 kg of food donated at the Harvest Festival. Thanks again to everyone who donated.

#### CAP Job Club

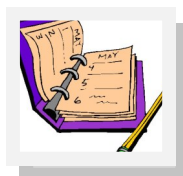
Christians Against Poverty Job Clubs is running a new course in Sutton, on Wednesdays from 27th January to 23rd March. The club will be above TaZZa Coffee, 1c Manor Place, Sutton. For more information, call 0800 328 0006 or go to [www.capjobclubs.org](http://www.capjobclubs.org) You can just turn up, or talk to the organisers, Katherine Parsons on 07776 302594 and Tony O'Brien on 07804 219744, first.

This service is free and there are no referral forms necessary. It runs 11am-12:30pm as set group sessions. They then have lunch and have guest speakers such as the national career service, the volunteer centre, someone from HR to discuss CV writing from an employer's perspective. The Job Club also provides mock interviews and 1:1 coaching to help people achieve their personal goals.

## Headteacher's Awards



Billy	Eagle	For Making A Great Effort On The First Day Of Term
Lauren	Eagle	For Making A Great Effort On The First Day Of Term
Alfie M	Panda	For His Writing About The Visit To The Tower Of London
Manasa	Panda	For Her Writing About The Visit To The Tower Of London
Andrea	Panda	For Her Writing About The Visit To The Tower Of London



### Dates for your diary

Tuesday 12th January.....	AM: Parents drop-in with the school nurse 3:30-4:30pm Maths Meeting for Year 2 parents (school hall)
Wednesday 13th January.....	3:30-4:30pm Maths Meeting for Year 1 parents (school hall)
Thursday 14th January.....	3:30-4:30pm Maths Meeting for Year 4 parents (school hall)
Friday 15th January.....	3:30-4:30pm Maths Meeting for Year 3 parents (school hall)
Thursday 21st January.....	9:10am Year 2 - assembly for parents/carers
Tuesday 26th January.....	AM: Parents drop-in with the school nurse
Thursday 28th January.....	9:10am Cheetah Class - assembly for parents/carers
Thursday 4th February.....	9:10am Year 4 - assembly for parents/carers

**Further dates are available on our website**

### Term Dates 2015-2016

These are the London Borough of Sutton term dates for the 2015-2016 academic year and four of our INSET days. Please note that one further INSET day is still to be planned.

w/c 15th February 2016	- Half term (one week)	Tuesday 12th April 2016	- Children return to school
Thursday 24th March 2016	- Break up for Easter	w/c 30th May 2016	- Half term (one week)
Monday 11th April 2016	- INSET Day	Thursday 21st July 2016	- Break up for Summer

## Children's Centre Programme - 5th January to 12th February 2016

A full timetable of our activities and groups 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](https://twitter.com/TweeddaleCC)

Contact the Centre on 020 8404 1640 or email [childrenscentre@tweeddaleprimary.sutton.sch.uk](mailto:childrenscentre@tweeddaleprimary.sutton.sch.uk)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p style="font-size: small;"><u>Centre is closed</u> <b>4<sup>th</sup> January for Inset Day</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Messy Play</b> 9.30am-10.45am <i>First come first served</i></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">"Little Learners" <b>How to Improve your Child's Maths</b> A course for Adults with Sutton College Starts 22<sup>nd</sup> February Please see more details on back of this programme Free crèche places available Please book at reception or call: 020 8404 1640</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Music and Rhyme</b> 1.30pm-2.00pm Interactive music and movement session for under 2 year olds</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Antenatal Classes</b> 2.00pm-3.30pm</p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Coffee Morning</b> (with supervised play area) at Horizon Church 9.00am-11.00am <i>Please see more details on back of the programme</i></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Family Legal Advice</b> 10.00am-11.00am <i>For an appointment please call: 020 8404 1640</i></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;"><b>Story Time</b> <b>At The Circle Library</b> 1.30pm - 2.00pm</p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Busy Buddies</b> <i>Please note... for children Over 2 1/2 years old</i> 9.30am-10.30am <b>Please arrive on time!</b></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Incredible Years Parenting Group</b> 9.30am-11.30am <i>Referral Only</i> <i>Please enquire at reception</i></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Chatterbox</b> 1.00pm-2.00pm <i>Referral only</i> <i>Please see our Reception Team or call 020 8404 1640 to book your place</i></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Birth Registration</b> <b>To book an appointment please call</b> <b>020 8770 6790</b></p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Job Club</b> Drop In between 9.30am - 12pm One to one support for job searches, applications, CV writing, interview skills, training <b>All parents of children under 12 years welcome</b></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Breastfeeding Clinic</b> 10.00am-12.00pm <b>No appointment needed</b> <i>Please call your antenatal hospital reception for an appointment to attend the following:-</i> <b>Antenatal</b> 12.45pm-1.45pm <i>Please call for an appointment</i> <b>Colostrum Harvesting</b> 1.55pm - 2.15pm</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Stay and Play</b> 1.00pm - 2.00pm <i>First come first served</i></p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Child Health Clinic</b> 9.30am-1.00pm</p> <p style="font-size: x-small; color: red;"><b>Please remember your red book ☺</b></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Play Date</b> For Children with Additional Needs and Disabilities 9.30am-11.30am</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Baby Stay and Play</b> <b>At The Circle Library</b> 1.30pm-2.30pm</p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;"><b>Family Fun Activity Group</b> <b>16<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>20<sup>th</sup> February</b> 9.30am - 11.30am</p> <p style="font-size: x-small; color: red;"><b>For Dads, Mums, Step Parents, Grandparents and carers with their children who are under 5. The group is aimed at children under 5 years old but our doors are open to your child's siblings up to the age of 11 years old.</b></p> <p style="font-size: x-small; color: green;"><b>Would you like to be a volunteer at the Children's Centre? If your answer is yes, please come in to see us and register your interest with our Reception Team</b></p>