



Milk Bottle Tops

We have been saving the green plastic tops from our milk bottles and Mrs. McDermott has been passing them on to a fund raising effort for a young lad, Tom Bryant.



The money made from recycling our bottle tops, along with thousands of others, raised enough to buy Tom a new wheelchair in time for him to take part in his first relay para-triathlon.

We'll be looking for a new home for our bottle tops, but they, and the bottles, will be going in to our general recycling in the meantime.



Keep Children Safe Online: Presentations To Parents

Sutton Local Safeguarding Children Board and the Metropolitan Police are running two free sessions for parents at Sutton Life Centre, 12-1pm and 6-7pm, Tuesday 20th October. Booking is essential and places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis; Email ztmedia@met.police.uk. Provide your name, whether you would like one or two places (no children) and which session you would like to attend. Alternatively, call 020 8649 0681 or 020 8649 0613 between 8:00am and 4:00pm.

Rev. Hilary Wong



Rev. Hilary Wong, from St Peter's Church, came to visit Year 3 last week to talk about what it is like to be a Christian in difficult times. She also told them about the power of prayer, and how talking to God keeps Christians strong.

Summer Reading Challenge 'Mythical Maze' Competition

Well done to Amy in Year 1, who is one of the winners of the competition held by Sutton Libraries this Summer. She and her family were invited to a prize giving at Sutton Library, with Councillors Steve Penneck and Jill Whitehead presenting the prizes and author Inbali Iseries <http://inbali-iserles.com/> as the special guest.

Children's Centres

The council are consulting residents for a second time on the future of Children's Centre delivery. Having previously consulted on options and models the Council has taken these views into account and would now like to hear resident's views on new proposals around the model and service delivery. To have your say, go to <https://sutton.citizenspace.com> and find the consultations there, or go straight to <https://sutton.citizenspace.com/chief-executives-group/suttons-childrens-centre-phase-2-consultation>

Safety Reminder

A few parents have called children over to the Tweeddale Road fence while the children are outside. For everyone's safety, our children are instructed not to go to the fence during the school day. Please help us with this.

Scooterpods

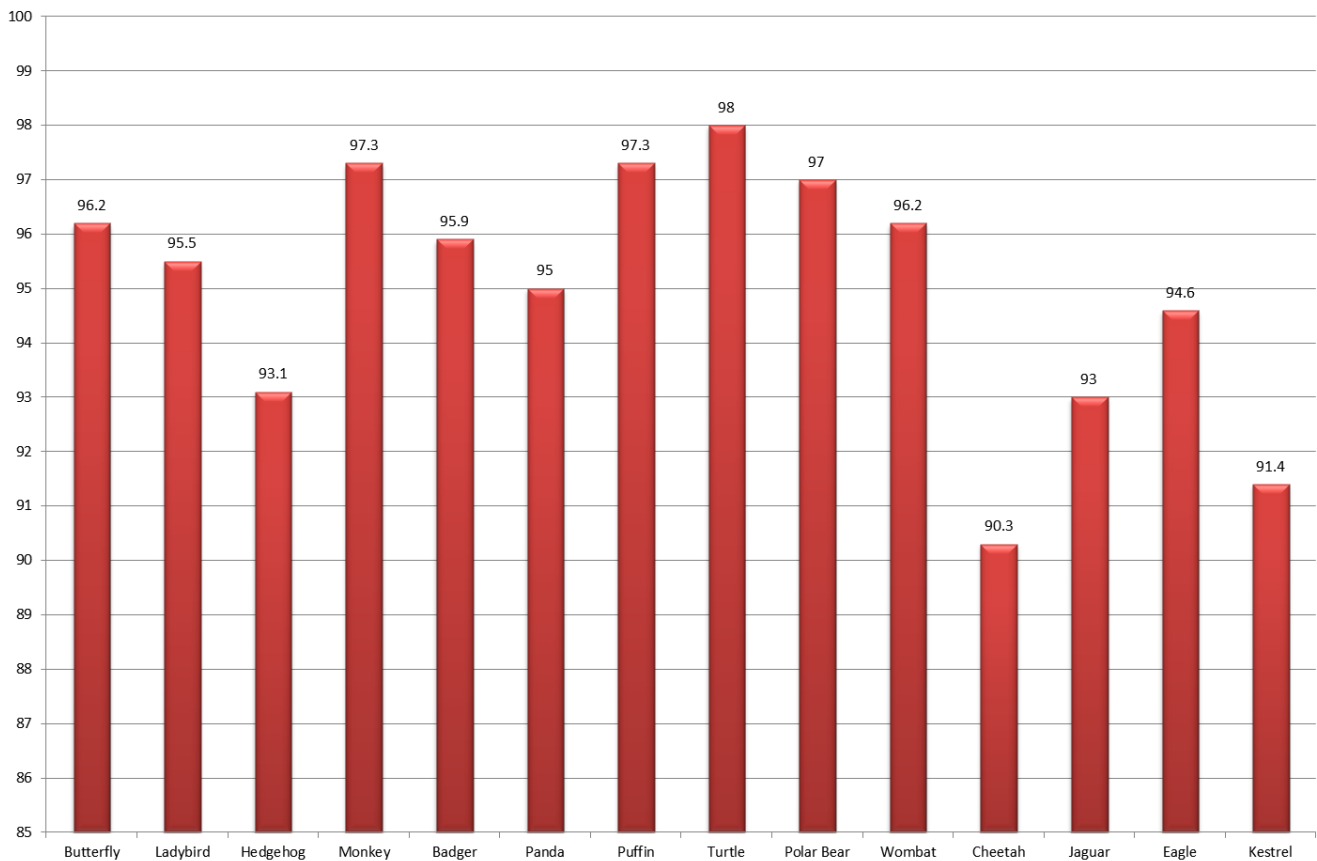
A reminder that there are scooter pods at the rear of the main school building. Please use the pods rather than the bike shed for scooters and lock the scooters to them. Unfortunately, a 'Frozen' scooter was taken earlier this term.



Words of the Week

The Words of the Week for next week are: Content for Years 1-6
Happy for Foundation Stage

Class attendance - w/c 28th September 2015



Superheroes (male or female)

Do you have any old (or spare) superhero costumes, toys, figures or comics that you no longer need at home?

Year 1 would be very grateful for any donations you may have.

This is for a topic they are working on after half-term, so please bring in any items either before we break up for the half-term holiday or just after we come back. *Thank you.*



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Thank you to everyone who came along and donated or bought cakes at the Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on Wednesday 23rd September. We raised £158.10 for this charity.



Tom Brake MP Christmas Card Competition

Our local MP, Tom Brake, is holding his Christmas Card Competition again this year. A number of children have already entered the Mayor of London's competition and we've had lots of designs back for our own Christmas Cards, so our children will have had lots of practice.

The winning design will be made into Tom Brake's official Christmas Card and will be sent to local residents. In addition the winner will get the chance, with their family, to meet Tom at the Houses of Parliament for a personal tour and tea in the House of Commons tea rooms.


The entry forms, with the competition information, will be sent out next Monday. The closing date is Friday 13th November and I'm delighted to let you know that Tom will be paying us a return visit that day, in order to collect the entries in person.



Games To Help Your Child Learn To Read

Parent Info, an on-line magazine, publishes helpful ideas for parents. For ideas about reading with your child, go to <http://parentinfo.org/article/games-to-help-your-child-learn-to-read>

Dates for your diary

Friday 9th October	Deadline for Cauliflower Card orders
Tuesday 13th October	AM: Parents drop-in with school nurse
Thursday 15th October	9:10am Jaguar Class - assembly to parents/carers
Friday 16th October	Nasal flu vaccination programme for Years 1 and 2
 Monday 19th October	School Photographer - individual portraits 9:10am Eagle Class - assembly to parents/carers
Wednesday 21st October	Harvest Festival
Friday 23rd October	Break up at normal time for half term (one week)
Monday 2nd November	Children return to school
Tuesday 3rd November	AM: Parents drop-in with the school nurse
Wednesday 4th November	Year 4 trip to London Sea Life Aquarium
Thursday 5th November	9:10am Year 1 - assembly to parents/carers
Friday 6th November	INSET Day - School and Children's Centre closed
Monday 9th November	Parent-Teacher meetings
Thursday 12th November	9:10am Wombat Class - assembly to parents/carers Parent-Teacher meetings
Tuesday 17th November	AM: Parents drop-in with the school nurse
Thursday 19th November	9:10am Turtle Class - assembly to parents/carers




Further dates are available on our website

Headteacher's Awards

Aleisha	Jaguar	Homework - Cooking Ancient Egyptian Food
Wiktor	Jaguar	Homework - Making Ancient Egyptian Jewellery
Isobel	Jaguar	Homework - Written Work, With Illustrations, About Ancient Egypt
Hanean	Jaguar	Homework - Illustrations Of Ancient Egyptian Jewellery
Zuriel	Polar Bear	Learning Log Maths Investigation – Filling The Bath
Esther	Polar Bear	Learning Log Maths Investigation – Filling The Bath
Sheena	Jaguar	Her Illustrations of Ancient Egyptian Jewellery
Jack	Badger	Accurately Ordering Numbers In Maths
Aaliyah	Panda	Writing A Wriggly Riddle
Ola	Panda	Writing A Wriggly Riddle
Ayan	Polar Bear	Homework - An Excellent Book Review
Tilly	Badger	A 'Carl Warner Foodscape' Picture
Stella	Badger	A 'Carl Warner Foodscape' Picture
Archie	Badger	A 'Carl Warner Foodscape' Picture
Alhassan	Kestrel	His PowerPoint Presentation About Our School
Farwah	Panda	A 'Carl Warner Foodscape' Picture
Max	Panda	A 'Carl Warner Foodscape' Picture
Justin	Panda	A 'Carl Warner Foodscape' Picture
Tyler	Panda	A 'Carl Warner Foodscape' Picture



Children's Centre Information

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. You can also follow us on  www.twitter.com/TweeddaleCC

Contact the Centre on 020 8404 1640 or email childrenscentre@tweeddaleprimary.sutton.sch.uk

Family Fun Activity Group Saturday 17th October 9:30-11:30am

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.

WANTED - PARENT GOVERNOR

A parent representative with an interest in the school is needed

Governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country and have an important part to play in raising school standards. Governors have a key role to play in making schools successful. As a parent governor you are a representative of the parents, there to give the governing body help to see the school from the widest possible viewpoint. Parent governors are governors in their own right with the same responsibilities as everyone else.

The governing body seeks volunteers from as many different backgrounds as possible in order to fully reflect the community the school serves. **Everyone has something to offer.** No prior experience is needed and free training is available for the issues you will encounter.

Message from our current parent governors:

We are all volunteers giving up our own time although we all have busy lives. In total we commit about 24 hours per year to this role; however, we gain so much - in personal development as well as the feeling of satisfaction we get from helping to improve our children's education. We get the opportunity to work on aspects of strategic management such as financial and personnel issues, so there really is something for everyone.

The full governing body meets at least four times a year, usually on a Thursday evening. In addition, the various committees meet at least once a term (at various times) to discuss important issues and governors are expected to join at least one committee.

The governing body is responsible for:

- Ensuring pupils receive a high quality education
- Setting & monitoring aims and objectives
- Appointing senior staff
- Setting and monitoring budgets
- Being a source of challenge and support to the Headteacher

We are seeking individuals who:

- Currently have a child/children in the school
- Have the desire to play a part in improving our school
- Have an open and enquiring mind
- Are able to work well with others
- Are willing and able to attend meetings and training for a 4 year term of office

Governors receive:

- The opportunity to work with our team of governors and staff in improving our school
- A sense of achievement in making a difference to our school
- The pleasure of seeing children learning
- Training to develop an understanding of specific school issues and the chance to develop skills

INTERESTED?

Please visit the school office for an application pack or to contact a governor for an informal chat about the role. Completed application forms to be returned by 12:00pm on Friday 23rd October 2015.