

*Small school, big heart,  
aiming high together*



*Sutton  
Standard  
23rd November 2018*

### Headteacher's Message

Here we are at the end of a very busy and soggy week. It is certainly starting to feel quite wintry outside, even though the children don't seem to be feeling the cold! Can I remind parents of the children in Year 5/6 to pack an extra pair of trousers/tracksuit bottoms and some wellies if they wish to play on the field at playtime, so that their uniform doesn't get dirty.

Our Reception children enjoyed welcoming family members for lunch on Tuesday for a delicious meal of pasta bake, followed by sponge and custard. There were lots of lovely comments from our visitors about the quality of the food being served and the opportunity to see the school lunchtime in action.

Class 2 had an amazing visit to Temple Newsam House on Tuesday and they were lucky to have the whole venue to themselves. The children explored 500 years of history, as well as dressing up as Tudor lords and ladies. They certainly look the part in the photos!

All of the children enjoyed a judo session on Wednesday and I believe there was great enthusiasm and technique shown during the morning. Unfortunately, the Year 3-6 cluster cross country had to be cancelled due to the poor weather, but this is rescheduled for Wednesday 5th December.

Class 3 have begun work on their Archbishop of York's Young Leader Award. This week the children researched inspirational individuals such as Rosa Parks, Desmond Tutu and Bear Grylls, who have shown a range of leadership skills including determination, skill and compassion. Please feel free come and look at the children's work that will be displayed in the hall.

As part of our drive to further improve provision and outcomes at Sutton, Mrs Fineran visited Skelton Primary School to share good practice regarding the use of Tapestry in EYFS and Year 1, amongst other things. She then attended a course on Wednesday looking at preparation for the end of KS1 assessments for our Year 2 children. Next week, I will be attending a course that focuses on preparing for end of KS2 assessments.

Lastly, we say a sad goodbye to Mrs Bell today. There have been lots of tears and happy memories shared. We wish her lots of luck and love as she moves to her new post at LiveWires. Lucky for us that Grace remains with us, so we will continue to see Liz every day.





## **Forthcoming Events - Autumn Term**

- 27<sup>th</sup> November** - Deadline for Christmas card orders
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 12-3pm** - Sutton Pre-School Christmas Fair
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2pm** - Christmas tree-decorating,  
Whole school cake sale to raise money for Budalangi School
- 5<sup>th</sup> December** - Years 3-6 Cluster Cross Country (new date)
- 7<sup>th</sup> December, 12:15-2:45pm** - Year 5/6 Cluster Sportshall Athletics
- 11<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas dinner
- 11<sup>th</sup> December, 1:30pm** - Rec/KS1 Christmas Play dress rehearsal
- 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm & 6pm** - Rec/KS1 Christmas Plays
- 13<sup>th</sup> December, 5-6:30pm** - Christmas disco
- 14<sup>th</sup> December** - Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
- 14<sup>th</sup> December, 7pm** - FOSS Wreath-Making Evening
- 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2-3pm** - KS2 Christmas Performance
- 19<sup>th</sup> December, 1:30pm** - Christmas panto at Grand Opera House
- 20<sup>th</sup> December** - FOSS non-uniform day,  
School Christmas parties,  
Mrs Pye's Christmas sing-along (2:45-3:30pm),  
LAST DAY OF TERM
- 21<sup>st</sup> December** - Training Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> January** - Training Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> January** - SCHOOL REOPENS