

***Small school, big heart,
aiming high together***



***Sutton
Standard***
30th November 2018

Headteacher's Message

It has been another busy week in school with lots of learning going on in all of the classes. It has been lovely to hear the sounds of Christmas beginning to echo down the corridors. Not long now!

Class 2 have been making the most of their brand new interactive whiteboard, as their old one was broken. This has really brought the classroom into the 21st century and will enhance the children's learning further. A big thank you to FOSS for the kind donation that allowed us to purchase this piece of equipment.

Class 3 have had a great week, which started with a new addition joining the class on Monday. Liam has settled brilliantly into the Sutton family and we extend a warm welcome to him and his family. It was lovely to see the children working well as part of team to design posters around the theme of respect - one of our school values.

Class 1 have had a really productive week with lots of Maths and writing going on. I have been really impressed with the Reception children's phonics and am pleased to see that they are putting this knowledge into action and writing words, using beautiful handwriting. Arthur and Matilda even paid Class 3 a visit to see what the Y5/6 children wanted to put on their shopping lists.

This week some of the staff have been out and about: Mrs Fineran is at a Maths Hub meeting today to look at good practice around delivering Maths to mixed age classes, and to build some collaborative links with similar schools. Mrs Comito visited another school this week to look at good practice in Year 5/6 Maths.

As I said above, Christmas is just around the corner and we are getting excited. There are lots of lovely things happening in school over the next three weeks, beginning with the tree-decorating on Monday, which will be incorporated into our usual collective worship slot. Parents are very welcome to attend from 2.45pm and there will be a bake sale afterwards run by the School Council to raise funds for Budalangi.

As the excitement builds, it is very important that positive behaviour is maintained throughout school, as we still have lots of teaching and learning to focus on before the end of term. The children will be completing end of term assessments and I will be meeting with all of the teachers to look at the progress the children have made over the Autumn term. I promise that the last week will be full of festive fun!

I hope to see some of you at the Sutton Pre-School Christmas Fair this Sunday from 12pm.



Superstars

Headteacher Award

Sammy P, for showing great perseverance in Maths and being a great member of Sutton

Stars of the Week

Reception—Jack, for working hard in Phonics

Year 1—Lucy, for super writing and Maths

Year 2—Lucas, for working extremely hard at everything

Year 3—Freddie, for excellent work and helping others with their work

Year 4—Amelia, for excellent perseverance in Maths

Year 5—Orla, for super effort with her story-planning

Year 6—Liam, for settling in so well

Happy Birthday!

26th November—Belle

2nd December—Tyler

Golden table

Esmee, Scarlett, Ella, Maisy, Joshua V, Billy, Sam B

House points

This week the winners are Byland (Blue)

Attendance

Highest average attendance - Year 1, Year 6 (both 100%)

Whole school average - 94%

National attendance average - 96%

Other news

Christmas cards

A big thank you from FOSS for your cooperation with the quick turnaround time with the Christmas card orders. Cards will be sent home as soon as they arrive in school, during the second week of December.

FOSS Christmas Hampers

Donations now gratefully received for our annual Christmas hampers! Lists for donations are now out in the school entrance. Raffle tickets for the hamper draw will be coming home next week, and the raffle will be drawn on 18th December after our KS2 Christmas performance.

Christmas Plays/Performances

KS1 (Rec/Y1/Y2)- **Wednesday 12th December, 2pm and 6pm** (—arrive at school 5:30pm, pick up at 6:45pm)

KS2(Y3-6)—**Tuesday 18th December, 2pm**

School Christmas Disco, Thursday 13th December, 5-7pm

Disco tickets are for sale in the school office. Hot dog and drink included. All years and siblings welcome!

FOSS Wreath-Making Evening, Friday 14th December, 7pm

Tickets are available in the school office for this popular event. Please spread the word!

Christmas Panto Trip, Wednesday 19th December

We are all looking forward to the school trip to the panto to see 'Cinderella' on 19th December. If you haven't already made payment for your child on ParentPay, please could you do so as soon possible. All children will need to wear school uniform on the day. Arrival time back at school will be confirmed nearer the time, but this is likely to be a little later than the usual school pick-up time.

Forthcoming Events - Autumn Term

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

Forthcoming Events - Spring Term

- 7th January** - Training Day
- 8th January** - SCHOOL REOPENS, Young Voices at Sheffield Arena
- 15th January** - NYCC deadline for Reception 2019 primary school applications
- 18th January, 10-11:30am** - Grandparents' Coffee Morning
- 23rd (or 30th) January** - Year 2 Cluster Multi-Skills Sports (TBC)
- 28th January** - Year 3/4 DIG/Jorvik trip
- 4th February** - Year 5/6 York Minster trip
- 14th February** - Year 3/4 Cluster Quick Sticks Hockey (TBC)
- 19th February** - Tempest class photos
- 22nd February** - LAST DAY OF HALF TERM