

*Small school, big heart,
aiming high together*



Sutton News

6th September 2019

Headteacher's Message

Welcome back to a brand new academic year at Sutton School - it is lovely to see everybody back and raring to go! Our new children in Reception class have settled in brilliantly and it has been lovely to see them making new friends and enjoying being in school. We also have new children who have started in each class, so we extend a huge welcome to them and their families too.

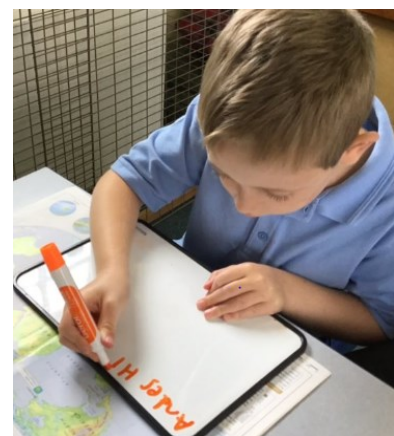
As you will already know, there will be an opportunity for you to meet the class teachers (if you haven't already done so) during our upcoming informal parent meetings. Information will be shared about class routines, curriculum and homework, with an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like the information, then please speak to the class teacher.

Homework is something that many of you will want to know about. As a staff, we have discussed what activities at home will benefit the children most but still ensure that they are able to enjoy time as a family at the end of a school day and at weekends. Therefore, the main focus for home learning will be reading, spelling and practising age-appropriate key mathematical facts. More detail will be given at the parent meetings.

We are delighted that the old library has been transformed into an interactive learning environment. This will predominately be used by our younger children as an additional classroom to facilitate their learning through play, and we also look forward to welcoming Pre-School in there when they begin their Rising-5s sessions.

As ever, if you ever have any concerns, queries or fancy a catch-up, I am always around or you can make an appointment for a mutually-convenient time.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend!



Superstars

Headteacher Award

Lucas, for having a fantastic first week and being so caring

Stars of the Week

Reception—Noah, for a super first week and lovely playing with new friends

Year 1—Rowan, for a fantastic first week with some super work

Year 2—Emily, for great effort in all her work this week

Year 3—Jessica, for fantastic contributions to all lessons

Year 4—Freddie, for a fantastic drama performance

Year 5—Connie & Indi, for a super first week at school

Year 6—William D, for a super effort with presentation of his work

Happy Birthday!

8th September—Arthur



Attendance

Highest average attendance - Rec, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 6 (all 100%)

Whole school average - 99%

National attendance average - 96%

Other news

After-school clubs this term

Information about after-school clubs will be sent out early next week, and forms will need to be returned to school by next Friday (13th September). Clubs are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Piano, guitar, brass/woodwind and strings lessons in school

We have several music teachers who offer lessons in school during school time. If your child is interested in learning an instrument, please make contact with the music teacher in question to discuss options and fees:

Piano—Jaki Jarvis | 01347 811575 | jakiinsutton@talktalk.net

Guitar/ukelele—Mike Rudland-Simpson | 07921 806670 | mike.schoolofguitar@hotmail.com

Brass/woodwind—Richard Wilton | 07973 442249 | tuba.123@hotmail.co.uk

Strings—Kathleen Butcher | 07977 112430 | Kathleen.Butcher@northyorks.gov.uk

We also have Simeon from **Rock 'n' Pops** in school each Tuesday. Simeon teaches a variety of instruments like electric guitar, bass, keyboard and drums, with the children forming a school band to perform popular music.

For further information, please contact Simeon at: simhaslam91@hotmail.com

Secondary applications 2020

For Year 6 parents/carers, the application round for secondary school places starting in September 2020 opens on 12th September 2019, and the deadline to apply is 31st October 2019.

Applications need to be made electronically on the North Yorkshire County Council website at:

www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions

Diary Dates - Autumn Term

*** New items/changes in red ***

- 11th September, 3:30pm - Class 1 parents' meeting
17th September, 3:30pm - Class 2 parents' meeting
18th September, 3:30pm - Class 3 parents' meeting
19th September, 1-3:30pm - Cluster Y3-6 Cross Country at Outwood
7th October - Bag2School bags available from this week
9th October - QChurch video filming
10th October - Mental Health Day
22nd-25th October - Scholastic Book Fair in school
25th October, 10am - Harvest Festival, All Hallows
25th October - FOSS non-uniform day, LAST DAY OF HALF TERM

- 4th November - SCHOOL REOPENS
11th-15th November - Inter-Faith Week, Anti-Bullying Week
12th November - Bag2School collection
15th November - RE Day
28th November - Flu vaccinations for all years
9th December - KS1 Christmas Play dress rehearsal
10th December, 2pm & 6pm - KS1 Christmas Play
13th December - Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
20th December - FOSS non-uniform day, LAST DAY OF TERM