

*Small school, big heart,
aiming high together*



Sutton News

4th October 2019

Headteacher's Message

Yesterday we had our first Forest Tots session of this year, led by Miss Tubb and Mrs Fineran. It was lovely to welcome Pre-School, as well as lots of other new little ones and their adults. The children enjoyed painting with 'natural' paintbrushes, playing in the mud kitchen, and creating leaf rubbings. We look forward to the next Forest Tots sessions on Thursday 7th November.

This week has seen the transformation of our dedicated Early Years classroom in the old library building at the front of school. The inside space has been developed to ensure the children can effectively learn through play, and there is also access to the outside area which allows the provision to continue. Our Reception children have enjoyed their time in the classroom this week and Pre-School have also spent time in the room on Thursday after Forest Tots.

School lunch on Thursday was a treat as we tucked into hot dogs and curly fries, lots of salad, and jelly for pudding. It was lovely to see so many children take up dinners on that day. We are so lucky to have such excellent school meals, freshly cooked on site by Mrs Hodgson and Mrs Wagstaff each day.

Most parents will not be aware that the uptake of school meals, both paid for at KS2 and free Universal Infant meals, affects the meals price that North Yorkshire County Council set for the following year. At Sutton, we are fortunate to have a comparably low cost compared to some other schools in the locality, due to a higher uptake in previous years. Unfortunately, our school meal uptake has dropped a little since we began the new term. It would be great if we could continue to keep the school meal costs as low as possible by increasing our school meal numbers a little, even if it was your child having one school meal a week. This is of course parental choice - I just thought it would be useful for parents to have this information.

You will all have received a parental questionnaire yesterday and I thank you in advance for completing this and returning it to school; your feedback and ideas are needed and valued. Just to clarify that responses to school need to be returned to school by Friday 11th September, not the 10th as the letter said.

Have a lovely weekend!



Diary Dates - Autumn Term

* New items/changes in red *

7th October - Bag2School bags available from this week
9th October - QChurch video filming
10th October - Mental Health Day
17th October, 2-3:15pm - Open Afternoon for prospective parents
18th October - Deadline for flu vaccination applications
19th October, 10am-12pm - Open Morning for prospective parents
24th October, 2-3:15pm - Open Afternoon for prospective parents
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
11th November, 3:30-6pm - Parents' Evening 1
13th November, 3:30-6pm - Parents' Evening 2
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
11th December - Christmas dinner
13th December - Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
18th December - Panto trip (whole school)
20th December - FOSS non-uniform day, LAST DAY OF TERM

