

*Small school, big heart,
aiming high together*



Sutton News

13th March 2020

Headteacher's Message

We have had another busy week in school, with lots of different activities happening in all of our classes.

As part of our commitment to ensuring our children are maintaining good hygiene standards, especially in light of developments with the coronavirus, Mrs Oswald (parent and nursing manager) came into school to teach the children how to thoroughly wash their hands. Please can you encourage the children to regularly wash their hands at home for at least 20 seconds so that they get into good routines. A big thank you to Mrs Oswald.

A separate letter has been sent regarding possible school closure and plans for home-learning.

On Wednesday, we were visited by the students from MEG (Music Education Group at York University) and each class enjoyed a music workshop. Class 1 had a fantastic time in their African Drumming workshop, learning to keep rhythm and play together as a whole class - Mrs Berthinussen was tapping her toes along in the office! Class 2 learnt all about Indian musical instruments and musical traditions, and they also had great fun learning how to dance in a bhangra style. There was film action in Class 3, with the children identifying and singing along to some classic movie music and songs.

Tony from YoYo has visited school today, competing drama workshops with all of the children based around the Easter story. The children were all actively involved and had a really fantastic time - we look forward to sharing what we have done at our Easter service.

Thank you to everyone for their support today with Sport Relief. The children and staff all took part in our active mile run around the school field. There were some very energetic efforts and we raised some money for some great causes.

There was great excitement when Mouse the lamb visited Class 1 on Thursday afternoon. The children said Mouse was very friendly and they all enjoyed meeting him and seeing him get his bottle. Big thanks to Emmie's family for bringing Mouse in.

Today we have had a very special visit from The Venerable David Picken, who is Archdeacon in the Diocese of Blackburn. He was visiting school as part of the Northern Bishops' Mission to the Diocese of York, led by the Archbishop of York. The Archdeacon led Collective Worship and the children and staff really enjoyed the experience.

Please be reassured that if there are any developments over the weekend as regards the coronavirus and schools, we will be in touch.

Have a lovely weekend.





★ **Happy Birthday!**

★ No birthdays this week



★ **Attendance**

★ **Highest average attendance** - Years 2 and 6
 ★ (both 100%)

★ **Whole school average** - 98.6%

★ **National attendance average** - 96%

Other news

KS2 reading books

We have extended our reading scheme to cater for some of our older children in school, to ensure that the children are accessing good quality texts at their reading age. These books all have a page at the back titled 'Ideas for reading'. There are some good activities and prompts for the children and you, as parents/carers, to maximise the reading experience. Children are still encouraged to select their own books for enjoyment alongside the scheme books.

Class 1 Parents' Lunch next Tuesday

Class 1 parents/carers are invited into school next Tuesday, 17th March, to have a school lunch with their child. If you are a Class 1 parent/carer and would like to come along, please could you log on to ParentPay to book your place and make payment if you haven't already done so.

Hand-washing at home and in school

We are making sure that the children wash their hands frequently in school for a minimum of 20 seconds each time, as advised in government guidelines. We would appreciate it if regular hand-washing can be encouraged at home too.

Easter Service in school, Friday 27th March

We will be holding an Easter service on Friday 27th March, at 2:30pm at school. Parents/carers and families are welcome to come along and join us for this Easter celebration.

Diary Dates - Spring Term

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

- 16th March - Shakespeare Week
- 17th March - Year 3/4 trip to Yorkshire Museum, **Class 1 Parents' Lunch**
- 18th March - Year 3/4 Easingwold Library visit
- 27th March, 2:30pm - Easter Service in school
- 1st-3rd April - Year 5 Robinwood residential trip
- 3rd April - FOSS non-uniform day, LAST DAY OF TERM

Diary Dates - Summer Term

- 21st April - SCHOOL REOPENS FOR SUMMER TERM
- 25th April - FOSS Celidih
- 27th April - Bag2School bags available in school
- 7th May, 9:30am - Forest Tots
- 8th May - May Day bank holiday
- 11th-14th May - KS2 SATs Week
- 18th May - Tempest individual school photos
- 19th-21st May - Year 6 residential trip to Edinburgh
- 21st May (Thursday) - FOSS non-uniform day, Bag2School collection, LAST DAY OF HALF TERM

- 1st June - SCHOOL REOPENS
- 2nd June - Year 3 swimming lesson 1
- 8th/10th/12th June - Year 6 Bikeability
- 9th June - Year 3 swimming lesson 2
- 14th June - Summer Gala
- 16th June - Year 3 swimming lesson 3
- 18th June - Sports Day
- 23rd June - Year 3 swimming lesson 4
- 24th June - Year 5 Malton School Experience Day
- 29th-30th June - Year 6 Outwood Academy Easingwold transition days
- 30th June - Year 3 swimming lesson 5
- 1st July - Year 5 Outwood Academy Easingwold Languages Day?
- 7th July - Year 3 swimming lesson 6
- 17th July - FOSS non-uniform day, LAST DAY OF TERM