

*Small school, big heart,
aiming high together*



Sutton News

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Headteacher's Message

Well the first week of lockdown and home-schooling is almost complete, I hope you and the children have survived! The children of key-workers in school have had a good first week, completing a mini project on Australia as well as completing some of their home-learning activities and getting out into the fresh air as much as possible. I am hoping that you are all keeping well and managing to enjoy the glorious weather in one way or another.

Home Learning

Regarding home-learning, it is apparent that we are in this for the long haul so please don't feel you have to recreate a full school day at home. As parents, you decide what to do with your children, whether it be to teach them to cook, garden or just be creative. All children in all schools across the country will have to pick up where they left off, once they are back together in school again, so please don't worry if your child hasn't moved on in phonics, can't grasp how to divide decimals or is stuck on a certain science topic- we will fill the gaps once we're back together again. Parents of Year 6 children- I am confident our secondary colleagues will have things in place to ensure gaps in learning are addressed and often Year 7 is about consolidating a lot of Year 6 learning.

White Rose Maths

Activities will be set each week for White Rose Maths for all year groups. These can be either printed out and completed, or the answers recorded on paper or in the exercise book provided. The children can then self mark their work as the answers are available on the website. Work does not need to be submitted to Google Classroom. If you look on our Twitter feed, there is also information about how the children can directly tweet their answers to the White Rose team.

Google Classroom—Class comments

It is fantastic that the children are using Google Classroom, but could you please have a chat with your child to ensure that they only post comments about work on the subject areas. As a staff team, we are aiming to monitor and answer children's queries about learning, but this week there have been a lot of comments to trawl through before getting to the children who need help. A 'Group Chat' page has been set on Class 2 and Class 3 page which the children can use to **sensibly** communicate and socialise with each other.

Class 3—Google Classroom

From Sunday, all work for Class 3 will be set on the Year 5/6 page. There will be no new work set on Mrs Pye 2020.

Staffing

A big thank you to the staff team who have worked hard over this week, whether it be in school or at home, to get systems up and running for the smooth running of things for the many weeks ahead. As I have said before, a skeleton team are on-site providing care for key worker children (this is on rotation), whilst others are at home helping children with home learning: their own children as well as Sutton children. Please note support for the children is between 9am—3.30pm.

Mrs Berthinussen will also be working from home, you have all received details of this from her on Wednesday.

I am sure, like many of us, you have enjoyed the many hilarious memes circulating this week, most of which are not appropriate to post on a school newsletter! I'll leave you with this one which made me smile.

Take care and stay safe!

**If the schools are
closed for too long, the
parents are gonna find
a vaccine before the
scientists...**