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aiming high together*



Sutton News

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Headteacher's Message

Hello at the end of a much chillier week for all of us, but I am sure that you will have all managed have some time outside getting some fresh air.

It's been great to catch up with some of the work and videos that the children are uploading to Google Classroom or emailing through to me. I have loved watching the staff and children in Class 1 sharing and reading some of their favourite stories with their classmates. There were some very funny sound effects with one of the stories!

We had some good news on Wednesday when we were informed that we had successfully achieved the Healthy School silver award. This is fantastic, as the award was only launched just before Christmas and already we have accumulated enough evidence to achieve silver. We are aiming for gold by the end of the academic year! Huge thanks to all of the staff who provide our children with so many opportunities to ensure we truly are a healthy school, and also thanks to Mrs Ovenden, who pulled all of the evidence together and submitted the application.

I have had a request from a parent who works at York Hospital for artwork from children to brighten up the 'wobble rooms' for individuals who use them. The 'wobble rooms' are somewhere quiet that family members who have loved ones in intensive care can go to in order to gather their thoughts and quietly reflect. If your child would like to send any pictures to the hospital, I am happy for them to be posted into the school post box and we will send them on.

In school this week, the children have used the videos and associated work that has been produced by the Oak National Academy <https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom> We have found the lessons excellent and engaging, and feedback from one key worker parent was that their children had used the online classroom at home and were, "The most proactive they've been at home-schooling." Some of the lessons may be a bit challenging, but feel free to dip into different year groups if you want something easier or indeed harder. The teachers will post the links on Google Classroom and the children can have a go if you wish. This is not an addition to work already set - it is an optional extra or, indeed, if you like it, it can be done instead of the work set. I'd be glad of any feedback you have about this.

Have a lovely weekend - stay safe and lots of love.

