

Wednesday 6th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back – we hope you enjoyed the summer break and are excited for the new academic year.

It has been wonderful to welcome our pupils back into school today. For some families, today is your first day as part of our school family. Thank you for choosing Sutton Park and we hope your child enjoyed their first day.

Annual Calendar Dates:

Attached to today's communication is a document which outlines our proposed **calendar dates** for this academic year. We hope that you find this helpful in planning for the year ahead – feedback on this document was very positive last year and paper copies will be available during autumn parents evening again for those who want one on their fridges! If any changes to these dates are needed, or if any additional opportunities arise, we will share these with you in a timely manner.

Class Dojo:

Class Dojo was trialled during the summer term as our one-stop-shop for parent communication. Feedback on this was overwhelmingly positive with parents loving the updates from trips, the Y6 residential and the regular reminders for things like non-uniform days and calendar events. The ability to direct message staff in school was also popular.

This free online platform can be accessed by multiple parents enabling everyone to keep up to date with what is happening in school. If you are not yet signed up to our Dojo feed, you will receive an email invite in the next few days to help you get started. All newsletters, date reminders and general school updates will be shared on Class Dojo this academic year so please ensure you are signed up.

Please note that staff are not expected to reply to any messages before 8:30am or beyond 5pm. We kindly request that parents/carers also stick to these timings to respect staff's time and wellbeing outside of work.

Dogs on site:

A reminder that dogs are not allowed on school grounds for any reason. Please do not bring domestic pets onto school grounds for the safety of our school community. Thank you.

We are excited for the year ahead and look forward to continuing to see Sutton Park Primary go from strength to strength. Our pupils are amazing and we know there are many successes ahead for each of them.

Yours sincerely,



Head of School



Deputy Head