

## School Newsletter – End of Autumn Term 2019

### Message from the Head:

It's hard to believe that a whole term has passed! There have been so many highlights and some wonderful things happening in our school.

We have ended the term with several celebrations: elevenises with the Head for 100% attendance, House Christmas Concerts, the EYFS Nativity and Christmas parties. It has been great to see the school community coming together to celebrate such a special time of year.

I am also pleased to report our fundraising total from the Christmas Fayre and Grotto was **£1197.01!** This money will be used for curriculum enrichment across school.

I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all of the staff at Sutton Park Primary for all of their hard work and efforts during the Autumn term. Their dedication and commitment to our pupils makes such a difference.

Finally, THANK YOU to you, the parents and carers of our pupils, for your support and feedback. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Mrs Middleton*

### House points and achievements:

The current total for house points are:



6085



5529



5452

Congratulations to DAHL who are the winning house this term.

All houses reset to zero for the new term... good luck everyone!



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### In Loving Memory of Mrs Holland

As a school community, words cannot express our sadness over the loss of Mrs Holland.

We have a beautiful memorial frame already displayed in our school library for her. We also have plans to commemorate her life, and love of working in school, during the Spring Term.

A special 'peace garden for reading' has been designed and landscaped within our school grounds. This will officially be opened on World Book Day (Thursday 5th March 2020) in her memory. More details will follow closer to this date.



### What our pupils say about Sutton Park Primary:

I enjoy learning. I like the new signs and my new uniform. (Charlie)

I like our school because I love seeing my friends and being able to play with them. (George)

I like the painted walls. Our school looks much nicer. (Jason)

I like everything about Sutton Park Primary! (Trey)

I like that everyone here takes care of us and really looks after us (Jayden)

I like coming to school everyday because I like learning new stuff! English is my favourite! (Chloe)

I have lovely friends at Sutton Park. I love coming

I like how we don't have supply teachers anymore. My teacher is here all the time and she's got to know me. All our teachers used to leave. (Bahar)

I like Sutton Park. ABC is what my mum says—actions have consequences. And at our school now, there's lots of nice consequences. (Morgan)

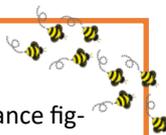
### Attendance and punctuality:

Class:	%
Reception Monkeys	94.9
Reception Penguins	94.2
1SB	97.1
1D	96.4
2G	94.5
2N	95.9
3E	95.9
3T	95.5
4B	93.8
4P	95.7
5ST	95.1
6H	93.3
6A	96.

Last week, our attendance figures were affected quite significantly by sickness. We are hopeful this bug will disappear over the holidays and our attendance will be on the rise again after Christmas!

Congratulations to the 35 KS1 and 62 KS2 children who enjoyed elevenses with Mrs Middleton this week.

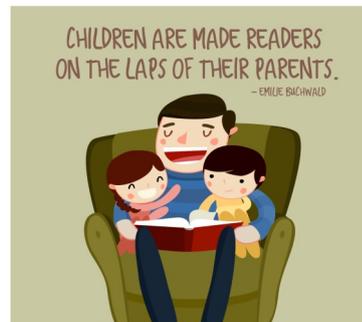
100% attendance is a great achievement!



### Reading news:

The £650 'Reading for Pleasure' incentive from the Mayor of Sutton Coldfield has now been awarded to school.

We are planning to invest this money in a special home-reading incentive project. I am so excited to launch and share this with you in the new year!



**In the meantime, I hope you enjoy lots of fabulous stories with your children over the Christmas period. Snuggling up and sharing books with your children really can't be beaten and means so much to them too!**

### Behaviour:

We are continuing to see a **BIG** reduction in behaviour incidents across school, when compared to last year.

The following incentives are continuing next term:



- ◆ HOUSE POINTS
- ◆ MEDALS
- ◆ POSTCARDS
- ◆ CERTIFICATES



**WELL DONE** and **THANK YOU** to all pupils and parents who are supporting school in aiming **HIGH** with behaviour.

### Parent Coffee Morning/Evening:

We have received a range of informative feedback since September from parents and carers. As we continue on our journey of improvement, this two-way communication remains vital to our success. I would therefore like to invite you to join me for light refreshments on Thursday 16th January 2020.

This is an opportunity to come and raise any concerns or questions you may have and also, to provide feedback on what we are doing well.

To accommodate all parents and differing work situations, there will be two time slots: 9am and 5:30pm. Please choose whichever suits you best, if you would like to attend.

Thank you, Mrs Middleton



### Christmas tree light switch-on:



It was lovely to sing some festive songs and gather around our school Christmas tree on Tuesday 10th December.

Thank you to the families who were able to join us.

Our Youth Theatre Group, led by Mrs Percival, were **AMAZING!**

It was a wonderful way to begin our Christmas celebrations.

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### Staffing updates:

Two members of staff, who previously worked at Banners Gate Primary, have now moved onto new opportunities. Mrs Cindy Jeeves and Mr Martin Yates are no longer working here. I am sure you join us in wishing them good luck for their future endeavours.

### Other news / Dates for your diary:

**Tuesday 7th January:** Children return to school—Spring term 1 begins.

**Tuesday 7th—Friday 10th January:** PACT Creative Writing Competition (Taking place in school during Literacy lessons)

**Tuesday 11th February:** PACT Online Safety Day

**Friday 14th February:** Break up for half term (Normal 3:20 finish time)

**Monday 24th February:** Children return from half term break - Spring term 2 begins.

**Thursday 5th March:** World Book Day (Fancy dress day - more details will follow closer to this date)