

Message from the Head of School:

Last week was a busy one in school with parent workshops for Reception and Y3, World Book Day and a parent voice coffee morning. Thank you to our parent and carer community for all your support in these important events.

It was amazing to see so many children embracing their love of books on Thursday. The day was jam-packed with activities, Masked Readers, competitions and a delicious Disney-themed lunch. Events like this take lots of time and effort to organise so a HUGE thank you goes to Mrs Jones who coordinated the event this year as our reading lead.

Today has been our Mothers' Day celebrations with pupils across school taking the time to say thank you to special family role models in their lives. Thank you to all who attended. We love flinging open the doors and offering family members the chance to join us in school. Have a wonderful week!

Mrs Middleton

Rock Kidz:

This Wednesday sees the return of **ROCKKIDZ** to Sutton Park Primary. Our rock workshops this year will focus on the theme of 'diversity and respect' and will involve all year groups.

Pupils are invited to wear either their normal school uniform or a rock-star outfit for school on WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK.

Due to the generosity of families in our fundraising efforts this year, the almost £1000 cost of this experience has been covered in full by our enrichment fund. There is therefore no charge per head for this event.

Rock Kidz merch will be on sale at the end of the school day:

- T-Shirts - £12
- Caps - £15
- Hoodies - £20



Dates for your diary:

Our annual calendar dates can be found here:

[http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/images/foryou/Calendar dates for _parents 2023-24.pdf](http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/images/foryou/Calendar%20dates%20for%20parents%202023-24.pdf)



In addition to these dates, there is also:

PACT conference on **Monday 15th April**. School is closed for teacher training on this day.

Polling day – **Thursday 2nd May** – school closed (Y6 pupils in for morning only)

Parent Voice Coffee Morning:

Thank you to those who joined Mrs Middleton and Mrs Dunning on Friday 8th March for our latest parent voice coffee morning. This session focused on the enrichment opportunities school offers and received valuable feedback on what parents would like to see on offer moving forwards. We shared a draft version of what trips across each year group could look like, linked to our planned curriculum but also highlighted the difficulties school can face in getting the payments in for these opportunities.



We focused on ways to overcome barriers and listened carefully to parent feedback on how we may be able to increase engagement and parental understanding of the importance of these opportunities. Here is a summary of our discussions:

What do school currently do well with regards to enrichment?

- Masked Singer/ Masked Reader
- Afterschool clubs
- Swimming provision
- TA afterschool clubs (variety these provide beyond sports)
- Christmas
- School are attempting to do trips (but facing monetary barriers when parents don't pay)

What other enrichment opportunities do you want to see?

- Trips to places like: Stratford MAD Museum, Cannock Chase, ThinkTank
- Community trips e.g. weekend trip to the beach to ensure all children get this experience.
- Sending more than 1 book home to read each week.
- Science and STEM opportunities e.g. university outreach programmes

THANK YOU FOR...

"Being an amazing school. You have really supported my daughter to grow into a confident girl."

"Making my daughter happy and excited to come every day."

"The opportunity to share our feedback and know that our opinions matter."

"Lots of Class Dojo information."

"For listening and trying to improve life for my kids."



Attendance: Attendance to school is a legal requirement and being in school every day and on time is proven to improve pupil outcomes. All classes are aiming for at least 96% attendance across the academic year.

The table below shows attendance scores for each class last week.

Registration Form	Class %
Nursery	79.2
RMS	88.2
1D	85
1P	95.6
2T	90.9
2P	89.6
3B	91.1
3W	84.8
4WS	90.6
5D	83.2
5O	95.3
6W	95.8
6K	93

Congratulations to 1P, 5O and 6W who had the best attendance scores across school last week.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

We are strictly a 'nut-free' school. There are several children in school with nut and peanut allergies, which can be life-threatening. Please do not send any food items containing these allergens into school for break or lunch time. This includes Nutella spread on sandwiches, chocolate snacks such as Reese's or Snickers and graze mix.



Parents' Evening:

Staff have used the slips returned by parents to allocate appointment times for next week's parents' evenings. We are really looking forward to sitting down to discuss the progress your child is making, their achievements in school and answering any of your questions/queries.

Please arrive ahead of your appointment time to allow you to browse your child's books before your time slot begins. Slips of paper and pens will be available outside classrooms so that you can write a message to your child about their work. These will be stuck into their book cover so they get to see your message of support and encouragement.

Celebration Assembly - Thursday:

We are looking forward to celebrating all of the pupils listed below this week in our Thursday assembly. Parents, carers and family members of these superstars are invited into school to witness the celebration. Please enter via the main school office to sign in.

Next week, celebration assembly is taking place on MONDAY morning due to Thursday being our Easter bonnet parade celebrations. Names for Monday's celebration assembly will be shared via Dojo later this week. Thank you ☺

	Star 1	Star 2
Reception	Ivy & Arlo	Rocco & Isoken
1D	Amelia	Corey
1P	Olivia	Laiarnai
1P	Esmail	Clara
2T	Morgan	Isabelle
3W	Jacob	Lola
3B	Bodhi	Daya
4WS	Tyler	Iman
5O	Daniel H	Scarlett A
5D	Aditya R	Beau T
6K	Reece	Lola
6W	Vivian	Stanley
NURTURE	Kamzi	Harry W



SPARK Team:

The electronic form to express interest in joining our new SPARK team closed on Friday. **SPARK has been launched to increase parental engagement in school life and support in fundraising efforts to enhance school life too.**

Miss Maltby and Mrs Runacus want to say a HUGE thank you to the **9 parents and family members** who have come forward to support our school. They will be in touch soon about your first meeting. It's not too late to get involved, please email enquiry@suttonparkprimary.co.uk if you missed the deadline for expressing your interest. All help, support and ideas will be gratefully received.

Personal Sporting Challenges:

Personal Sporting challenges are continuing this half term on the playground at lunch time. I know this was a big hit on the playground with lots of pupils getting involved which is brilliant to see. I hope we can continue with this so we can have lots of pupils engaging with competitive physical activity.

A personal sporting challenge is a 1-minute exercise test where you try to achieve the highest score possible. You can have up to 3 attempts across the week. They take place at lunchtime on the playground and is conducted and recorded by our sports leaders.

This week's Sporting Personal Challenge is:

How many times can you throw and catch a rugby ball?



Sporting competitions:

Last Wednesday the year 6 badminton team competed in a PACT badminton competition. After a hard-fought battle against the other schools, it was Sutton Park that won the competition. HUGE congratulations to the team:

- Ella M
- Ava-Rose H
- Alfie H
- Harvie G
- George R
- Elladee HJ



The biggest girl football session ever!

To celebrate International Women's Day last Friday, SPP took part in the 'the biggest girl football session ever!' This was a national event for primary schools across the nation had to try to get as many girls as possible participating in football.

Last week we managed to get **58 girls** within our school from KS1 and KS2 playing football at lunch time. This was a fantastic to see and be a part of. Well, done girls. I was really impressed. I hope by taking part in this event it has encouraged more girls to participate in football and want to continue playing not just in school, but outside of school too.

Mr Foster, Sports Coach



Inspirational Sporting Quote:

Mr Foster shares a quote from a famous sportsperson each week with classes. This week's is a great one!

"Talent without working hard is nothing" - Ronaldo

