

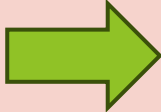

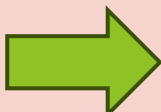

### Message from the Head of School:

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!** The spring term has launched and we've had an enjoyable week back since the Christmas break. We started the year with a whole-school assembly last Tuesday focusing on our school values. Our pupils have a sound understanding of what **BELIEVE – INSPIRE- ACHIEVE** means and can explain this beautifully. They enjoyed hearing the story of Wilf the wolf who lost his way and needed to find his way back to his pack and were able to explain where our school values came into the narrative. It was fantastic to share the hall with them all.

New topics across the curriculum have launched and this newsletter includes a reminder of where you can find out more about this to support your child at home. We also extend an invite to every parent and carer to join us for our 'parent voice' coffee mornings. It would be great to see lots of you there. School is thriving and your contributions to that are invaluable. Have a great week! **Mrs Middleton**

### We want to hear from you!

During the busy Autumn term, feedback from parents was sought via two electronic surveys. We really appreciated responses to these and were proud of the 4.25 average 5-star rating we received! We also took on board the developmental feedback:

YOU SAID:		WE DID:
"Encouraging all parents to use class dojo to help with communication."		Our office staff have promoted Dojo extensively, including at parents evening, and are on hand to support parents in getting onto the platform. Our parent engagement figures have increased from 81 parents in Summer 2023 to 244 parents now! Thank you for supporting this!
"More variety in halal school meals so children are not missing out in choices."		There is now a daily Halal option on our school menu. This offers variety and means children who follow a Halal diet have a greater choice than previously.
"Increase parent participation."		Parent workshops, parent attendance to school events and weekly celebration assemblies. A programme of parent coffee mornings where ideas can be shared and plans made has been designed. (Please see more information on this newsletter.)
"More opportunities for the children to play in competitive sports or represent school."		Employed a new Sports Coach (Mr Foster) who will be working alongside our Sports Apprentices to increase opportunities for physical activities at lunchtimes, playing in team sports and representation of our school.

This term, we are inviting parents in to school for 'Parent Voice' coffee mornings. **Our first one takes place next Friday (26<sup>th</sup> January) from 9-10am** and will be hosted by Mrs Middleton and Mrs Dunning. **This session will focus on communication with parents about curriculum and what your child is learning in school.**

Our second parent voice coffee morning will be Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 9-10am. This session will focus on enrichment opportunities for pupils.

**WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU THERE! 😊**



**Celebration Assemblies:**

This Thursday is our first celebration assembly of this term and we can't wait to kickstart the 2024 celebration of our pupils!

Below are the names of this week's superstars. We will be celebrating their achievements in assembly from 9am on Thursday. Parents and family members of these children are welcome to join us!



	Star 1	Star 2
Reception	Alyssia-Mae	Leo
1D	Maisie	Eshal
1P	Toby	Caelan
2P	Charlie	Harry
2T	Jaxson	Ariya
3W	Amaya	Mason O
3B	Boitumelo	Isla
4WS	Frankie	Sophia
5O	Eleanor	Lacey-Jane
5D	Jayden	Ollie
6K	Tayla J	Olivia
6W	Mahad	Brooke



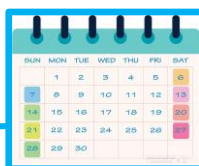
**Attendance:** Attendance to school is a legal requirement and being in school every day and on time is proven to improve pupil outcomes. All classes are aiming for at least 96% attendance across the academic year.

The table below shows attendance scores for each class last week. **Classes 1D and 4WS achieved about 99%! WOW!**

Registration Form	Class %
RMS	92.7
1D	99.3
1P	89.6
2T	96.9
2P	90.6
3B	97.2
3W	89.4
4WS	99.3
5D	94.6
5O	95.6
6W	97.9
6K	93.9



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**Dates for your diary:**

Here, we share reminders about dates coming up soon in school. You can also find an electronic copy here: [http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/images/foryou/Calendar\\_dates\\_for\\_parents\\_2023-24.pdf](http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/images/foryou/Calendar_dates_for_parents_2023-24.pdf)

- **Thursday 18th January - Census day - non-uniform for all pupils.** No charge to pupils. Non-uniform for all.
- **Tuesday 6th February - Safer Internet Day** - Afternoon lessons will focus on safe, responsible and positive use of internet technology for all pupils (in an age-appropriate way).
- **Thursday 8th February - Valentines Discos** - Afterschool discos: • EYFS to Y3: 3:30-4:40pm • Y4 to Y6: 4:45-6pm Tickets cost £3.50 per child, including drinks and snacks. (Parent Pay ticket purchase live from this week.)
- **Friday 9th February Term 2.1 finishes.** Chinese New Year School closes for half term at 3:15pm Themed lunch menu and whole-school assembly (led by Y4) All pupils are invited to wear RED as this is considered a lucky colour.

### Curriculum overviews:

A new school term brings new topics and areas of focus in each year group's curriculum. You can find a parent-friendly curriculum overview on our school website. This supports people at home with talking to children about their learning, supporting them with homework and can be used to have quality conversations about topics of interest. Please follow the link here to get the low down on spring term learning:

[http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/index.php?option=com\\_sppagebuilder&view=page&id=21](http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/index.php?option=com_sppagebuilder&view=page&id=21)

### Times Tables Rockstars!

All pupils in Y3-6 have log in details and unlimited access to the Times Tables Rockstars platform. This is available online and as a free app download.

It is a fun and engaging way for children to learn, practise and apply their multiplication and division knowledge. (An essential KS2 maths skill!)

The 'studio' and 'soundcheck' games are particularly popular. Please actively encourage your child to utilise this resource outside of school time too. We promise they will reap the rewards!

Mrs Dunning (as Maths lead) is also hosting a number of in-school competitions. Which class will be the Rock-Gods of Sutton Park Primary?! Only time will tell!



### PE Kit Reminder:

We understand that your children may be excited to show off their new Christmas clothes but our school uniform expectations are important and unchanging. Below is the compulsory PE kit for children at Sutton Park. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct clothing for PE. Teachers and leaders will contact parents to bring in clothes for children who are not appropriately dressed. Thank you.

All students at Sutton Park Primary School are expected to wear the following items when participating in P.E:

- Maroon sports top (School logo preferred)
- Black shorts/leggings/jogging bottoms
- Trainers

Our uniform policy can be accessed in full here:

<http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/images/keyinfo/our-school/policies/uniform.pdf>

### Calling Y5 parents!

Year 5 will be holding a parent workshop on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January between 9.10 - 10.00am in Year 5 classrooms. This workshop will focus on Maths, specifically times tables, and our relaunch of TT Rockstars. Year 5 look forward to seeing you there!

### Choir:

Our Sutton Park choir meet each Monday after school until 4:15pm and are hoping to branch out into some external performances within the wider community this year. If your child would like to join choir, please see Mrs Nicholson, Miss Trowman or Miss Dhillon for more information. New singers are always welcome!



### Valentine's Discos

Following the success of last year's discos, we are pleased to offer this opportunity again this term.

**Valentine's Discos** will take place on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February** and tickets cost just £3.50. This includes a drink and snack for all children and all profits made will go into our school fund to further enhance our curriculum and enrichment activities.

**EYFS to Y3 – 3:30-4:40pm**

**Y4 to Y6 – 4:45-6pm**

Tickets go live on ParentPay today so sign up quickly if you'd like your child to come.

