

Whole-school newsletter. Week beginning 17th July 2023

Message from the Head of School:

As the academic year draws to a close it is wonderful to look back on the past academic year and celebrate the successes of our school. Sutton Park Primary continues to grow from strength to strength and it is a privilege to lead the team. Staff have worked exceptionally hard on designing and implementing our non-core curriculum this year. Our new middle leaders have taken their leap into leadership and are doing a brilliant job of developing their subjects in school. The impact on our pupils is clear to see: the subject specific vocabulary they are using, the content they are covering and their explanations of their learning have all elevated this year.

A total of 80 new pupils have joined our school this year, with over half of these joining during the summer term. Word is spreading about our school and we look forward to welcoming more new families in September.

Our annual calendar events overview has supported members of our school community in planning ahead for the many events, themed days and diary dates that we've enjoyed this year. From the traditional Christmas plays and carol concerts, to class assemblies, to parent workshops, to World Book Day, to Sports Day and more, it has been fantastic to see family participation in these events increase significantly this year. The 2023-24 annual overview will be updated over the summer and be shared with all parents in September.

Included in this final newsletter are the details of external data measures for our school this year. A huge well done to all of our Y6 pupils who turned up for each paper in a positive, resilient mindset. It is important to remember that you are so much more than your SATS scores. Everyone at Sutton Park are extremely proud of you for the challenges you have overcome and the progress you have made. We wish all of our Y6 pupils the very best for the secondary school adventure ahead! After the excitement of transition day last week, I am sure you are all looking forward to receiving your child's end of year report on Wednesday. On Friday, we will be celebrating the end of a successful year with a morning of class parties before school closes to all pupils at 1pm for the summer break. On behalf of the team in school, we wish all members of our school community a restful, enjoyable

Y6 leavers:

On Thursday morning, our Y6 pupils will perform their leavers' assembly for the children in school. Thursday afternoon is their leavers' party and they are invited to wear non-uniform and leavers hoodies on this day. They also need to bring a change of clothes, a towel and a water pistol if they want to join in with our annual water fight!

summer. Thank you for your support and feedback this year.

On Friday morning, Y6 will perform their leavers' assembly for family members. This event will take place in the junior hall and begin at 9:15am. Please sign in via the main school entrance if you are attending. There will be plenty of opportunity for families to take

photographs at the end of the assembly. If your child wishes to get their shirt signed, they should bring a spare shirt for signing and a Sharpie pen (or something similar). Shirt signing will be accommodated after assembly.



September 2023:

School reopens to all pupils in Reception to Y6 on Wednesday 6th September. All of the information you need about school expectations, timings, uniform, medication and more, was sent out a few weeks ago. It can also be found here:

Mrs Middleton

http://www.suttonparkprimary.co. uk/images/foryou/SEP23 INFORM ATION PACK FOR PARENTS.pdf



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School fundraising success:

Thanks to the return of events such as the Christmas Fayre, Valentines and Easter Discos, and the Scholastic Book Fayres, we have raised almost £3000 for school fund this year! This money has been used to enhance our reading provision in school via the updated library and class texts offer. Reading is an important life skill and will always be a high focus for us at Sutton Park. Ensuring our pupils have access to high-quality reading materials is part of our pledge to ensure pupils become lifelong learners. It has been amazing to see so many pupils enjoying the new resources in our school library during lunchtimes and after school this year.



ACADEMIC YEAR HIGHLIGHTS 2022-23:



Swimming provision:

Y5 loved our new swimming approach and made amazing progress during their 2-week intense block of tuition. In September, the pool will be returning for a longer period of 6 weeks so that more year groups can access the provision too. Watch this space for more information!



School trips:

Our pupils have had a brilliant time on educational visits this year. From the Houses of Parliament to the Botanical Gardens there has been lots of opportunity to extend learning beyond the classroom. Every trip has been followed with many complimentary comments from the venues about our pupils' behaviour, conduct and manners. We are extremely proud of our pupils for embodying our school values and being ambassadors for our school.

Trips rely on parent contributions, so we are grateful to parents for supporting this important element of school life. Trips will return for all year groups, including EYFS, next year. Keep an eye on calendar dates in September to find out more.

Performances for families:

This year saw a full offer of Christmas plays, class assemblies, Easter bonnet parades, Mother's Day and Father's Day assemblies. Each of the whole-school events were so well attended with in excess of 100 family members attending each. Thank you to our parents and carers for supporting. We look forward to putting on more performances for your enjoyment next year!

Silver Sports Award:

Thanks to the hard work of our in-house sports team we have successfully been awarded our School Games Silver Award. Next year, we are going for gold!



Sports Day:

It was a case of stickers galore last Thursday when the whole school took part in a morning of fun challenges, competitions and races.

Organised by Miss Gorringe, Miss Pearson, Miss Khan and Nurture group, the day was a huge success. The weather was kind and the timing couldn't have been better as the heavens opened as the final race ended. Thank you to all family members who attended. Next year, Sports Day will be back and we've listened to your feedback to ensure you can see the morning events too.

School rebuild:

This academic year we learnt that school will be rebuilt as part of the DFE scheme to improve school facilities. Although we are awaiting a timeline on this huge project, the news that school will be completely redesigned is fantastic for our school community and an exciting future awaits!



Data outcomes for Sutton Park:

This year saw the return of official, external data outcomes (following the interruptions created by the Covid-19 pandemic.) Below are the outcomes for Sutton Park Primary. We are really proud of our pupils and the challenges they have overcome this year.

Measure:	Overall %
EYFS GLD	63%
Y1 Phonics	64.4%
Y2 Phonics retake	83%
Y2 End of KS data	Reading = 49%
	Writing = 46%
	Maths = 56%
	Combined = 41%
Y2 End of KS data	Reading = 45% (Greater depth = 13%)
	Writing = 44%
	Maths = 58% (Greater depth = 10%)
	Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling: 60% (Greater depth = 15%)
	Combined = 35%

Annual prize giving:

Congratulations to all of the pupils who were nominated for our annual prize-giving awards this year. Each award winner received a brand-new book to enjoy over the summer break. Well done!

Nursery prize winners

Achieve	Logan Green
Inspire	Louis Brown
Believe	Millie Taylor

Reception prize winners

Achieve	Remi Latham
Inspire	Olivia-Rose Woodward
Believe	Miller Oldfield

Year one prize winners

Achieve	Ahmed Muhammed Alhasan
Inspire	Isabelle Lowe
Believe	Alaya Green

Year two prize winners

Achieve	Fleur Odusina
Inspire	Mustafa Al- <u>iraib</u>
Believe	Lola-Rae Saunders

Year three prize winners

Achieve	James Norry
Inspire	Sasha Oliver
Believe	Lawson Alexander- Goldie

Year four prize winners

Achieve	Chloe Newman
Inspire	Imogen Robinson
Believe	Jason Russell

Year five prize winners

Achieve	Kaden Yau
Inspire	Sana Kale
Believe	Vidushi Tripathi

Year six prize winners

Achieve	Amy Janes
Inspire	Myleigh Davis
Believe	Caitlin Barrett
tton Park Primary School Excentional People Awards	

These are awards we launched last year, presented to pupils who embody specific characteristics. This year, they are awarded to:

Exceptional People —	Scarlett Y4
Exceptional People —	Kayon Y6
Exceptional People —	Kian Y1

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 19 th July	End of year reports.	All children will receive their end-of-year reports from their current class teacher.
Wednesday 19 th July	House point celebration	Winning house for this term will receive a bouncy castle party during this morning.
Thursday 20 th July	Y6 Leavers event	Taking place during the afternoon and including our traditional water fight!
Friday 21st July	Y6 Leavers assembly 9:15am	Y6 Parents and carers invited to attend. PLEASE SIGN IN VIA THE MAIN SCHOOL OFFICE (FROM 9AM)
Friday 21st July	Academic year ends	School closes for pupils for summer holidays at 1pm



Find Help In Brum Are you concerned about the rise in cost of living?

Find some helpful contact details for advice and support.

Birmingham City Council and partners are working to support and offer guidance to our residents during the cost of living crisis in the UK. We want to support as many of our residents as possible across key areas which are outlined in this leaflet.

Warm Welcome:

We are working with the local community and a partnership of voluntary and community sector organisations to expand a network of warm spaces. These spaces will be available for people to use and visit during the winter eriod and beyond.

There are several existing Warm Welcome Spaces within local communities across the city. Warm Welcome Spaces are

inclusive and non-judgmental heated and free to access

The services at each space will vary but may include:

information on further support and available guidance
opportunities to participate in activities and learn new things
free internet access, computers and charging points
a friendly environment to connect with others within the community

You can find details of our current Birmingham Warm Welcome Spaces at www.birmingham.gov.uk/warmwelcome

Keeping checking back online as more spaces will be launched weekly.

Benefits and Money Advice:

During the cost of living crisis, it is also important to ensure you have access to the right benefits and money advice for you. There are several information portals below which can help.

To find out what benefits you are entitled to, it is best to use the Benefits Calculator provided by the Government. Find out more by using this link www.gov.uk/check-benefits-financial-support

Birmingham City Council has also developed several support factsheets which provide useful information on a range of debt related issues. You can view and download Information on www.birmingham.gov.uk/debtadviceteam

If you are struggling with debt and need advice and support you can also visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/helpinbrum which can help direct you to the right information.

There are also other services who offer free and confidential advice:

- The Project Benefit, debt and housing advice
- 0121 453 0606 www.theprojectbirmingham.org Citizens Advice Birmingham - Advice on benefits, debt, housing and more Freephone 0808 278 7990 (Mon - Fri 9.30 am - 4.30pm) | www.bcabs.org.uk
- ability Resource Centre Advice and advocacy services for disabled people 03030 402 040 | www.disability.co.uk

Energy Efficiency:

As energy costs rise we are committed to reducing energy bills and helping everyone to keep warm as we head into the winter months.

There are several schemes already available for residents, with full information and guidance available at www.birmingham.gov.uk/energyhelp

There has been a significant rise in energy scams linked to the cost of living crisis.

There is some helpful support on the Birmingham City Council website to

www.birmingham.gov.uk/energyscam

KIDS EAT FOR LESS

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Premier Inn

Need someone to talk to? Struggling to cope with feelings? We're here for you.

We are operating a telephone-based service while Pause in Digbeth is closed. Drop us an email on askbeam@childrenssociety.org.uk in the first instance.

Or call <u>0207 841 4470</u> and we will arrange for one of our friendly staff to call you back but email is much quicker.

Who can use us?

You can use us if you have a Birmingham GP

- · Under 25 years old (If you are under 14 you will need to have a parent / caregiver with you when we call to give consent).
- · Or if you are a parent / caregiver looking for support for their child who is under 25 years old.

How can we help? We can offer:

- · Self-help strategies, skills for managing difficult situations and feelings.
- · A non-judgemental listening ear.
- · Details for other organisations that might also be able to
- · Each call lasts around 20-30 minutes which focuses on ways forward.

Our Opening Hours:

Email or Call Us - 10am - 6pm, 7 days a week

Food Support

The cost of living crisis means groceries have become more expensive and many families are struggling to buy healthy, nutritious food. There is help across Birmingham if you are finding it difficult to feed yourself and your family. You can find out what help is available near you by taking a look at the Food Justice Network map by scanning this QR code. There are a few different types of support available across Birmingham





DETAILS & TERMS

Food banks

are other projects in the city that help you to do your weekly shop ach lower cost. These include food clubs, food pantries and social arkets. These are marked yellow on the map.

The Birmingham Local Offer website provides information and help to support you and your family



www.localofferbirmingham.co.uk



