Whole-school newsletter. Week beginning 18th September 2023

## Message from the Head of School:

School is a great place to be at the moment! Pupils are working hard, learning behaviours are positive, a wide range of curriculum coverage is taking place in classrooms and relationships are building. Pupils are responding well to the routines and structures in place to ensure that learning environments are purposeful and support everyone to succeed. We have included the posters and prompts being used to support this at the end of this newsletter. Please reinforce these expectations with your child at home when talking about school.

We have been really pleased to see an increase in Class Dojo sign ups since the start of this year. This continues to be the quickest and easiest way to both contact school and keep up to date with what is happening each week.

Mrs Middleton



# **Swimming for Y5:**

Our Y5 pupils have made an excellent start to their 3 week swimming programme. Pupils are gaining confidence daily in small groups of approximately 4-6 children. This means they are receiving high-quality, intensive swimming instruction for 2.5 hours a week! The National Curriculum aim for all pupils is to confidently swim 25m by the end of KS2. We are so excited to see how many of our pupils achieve this goal by the end of their sessions.

We'd also like to say a HUGE thank you to home for supporting us in offering this provision. Ensuring your child has the kit required each day takes organisation and some extra washing! We really appreciate your help in this.

#### School uniform:

Our school uniform policy is reviewed and updated annually. It reflects DFE guidance on school uniform and ensures that uniform is not unnecessarily expensive for families. Our reviewed policy will be added to the website soon.

We have a large selection of pre-loved uniform in school for any family who are struggling to provide uniform. Please speak to a Senior Leader or email <a href="mailto:enquiry@suttonparkprimary.co.uk">enquiry@suttonparkprimary.co.uk</a> with your requests.

**Reminder:** On PE days, pupils should wear a black tracksuit with a plain maroon sports top/SP logo sports top. Football tops and coloured tracksuits are not permitted.

### **Water bottles:**

A significant investment was made at the start of this year to ensure ALL pupils have access to water during lessons and the school day. Every pupil at Sutton Park has their own SP water bottle and is able to access filtered, cold drinking water each day.

We appreciate there have been some concerns about children not liking water and preferring squash etc. However, we have noticed all pupils are accessing water during lessons and are staying appropriately hydrated as a result. Any home-bought bottles are allowed in school for playtimes and lunchtime. In class, only water and SP bottles are permitted. Thank you for supporting us in this

quest for consistency and fairness.



### **Celebration Assemblies:**

Every Thursday Reception to Y6 come together to celebrate in our 'Best Seat in The House' assembly. Teachers choose up to 2 pupils each week to celebrate and certificates are awarded. This is always the highlight of our week, and we love shining spotlights on pupil achievements in this way.

This year, we would love to invite family members to share in the celebration too. Names for award recipients will be shared here on the newsletter each week so that any family members who can make it, can also be present to share in the celebration. If your child is listed below, please head to the main school Reception on Thursday morning to sign in. Staff will escort you down to our KS2 hall for the assembly.

|           | escort you down to our KS2 hall for the assembly. |          |  |
|-----------|---|----------|--|
|           | Star 1  | Star 2   |  |
| Reception | Lyla  | Travis   |  |
| 1D        | Corey   | Toby     |  |
| 1P        | Laiarnai  | Kairo    |  |
| 2P        | Isla  | Brandon  |  |
| 2Т        | Alaya   | Arnia    |  |
| 3W        | Lucas   | Zoe      |  |
| 3B        | Bohdi   | Halbin   |  |
| 4WS       | Kadee   | Sam      |  |
| 50        | Bailey  | Scarlett |  |
| 5D        | Zara S  | Aditya   |  |
| 6K        | Harvie  | Leah     |  |
| 6B        | Firdaws   | Chloe    |  |
| Nurture   | Ralphie   |          |  |

### Attendance:

Attendance to school is a legal requirement and so important to ensure all of our pupils thrive! Being in school every day and on time is proven to improve pupil outcomes. All classes are aiming for at least 95% attendance across the academic year.

We are thrilled to see 10 out of 12 classes above 95% last week. What a brilliant start! Keep this up please!

| Registration<br>Form | Class % |
|----------------------|---------|
| RMS                  | 97.6    |
| 1D                   | 98.4    |
| 1P                   | 97.6    |
| 2T                   | 97.9    |
| 2P                   | 95.0    |
| 3B                   | 98.8    |
| 3W                   | 93.0    |
| 4WS                  | 97.2    |
| 5D                   | 97.4    |
| 5O                   | 99.4    |
| 6B                   | 92.3    |
| 6K                   | 95.2    |



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# **Dates for your diary:**

A paper copy of our annual calendar dates came out to all families last week.

We will share reminders via our newsletter each week. You can also find an electronic copy here:

http://suttonparkprimary.co. uk/images/foryou/Calendar\_ dates\_for\_parents\_2023-24.pdf

| National Teaching Assistants Day   National Teaching assistant day — celebrating the hard work and efforts of our support staff. If you have a message you'd like to share, please send it into school with your child and we will add it to our TA appreciation board in the staffroom.    Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October Tuesday 31 <sup>nd</sup> October   During this month our collective worship will focus on celebrating the outstanding contributions that black people have made to British Society. We will be learning about inspirational black people such as Martin Luther King Jr, Mae Jemison, Barack Obama and Marcus Rashford.    Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October   Census day — non-uniform for all pupils   In our whole-school assembly, we will hear the story of 'The Colour Monster' by Anna Llenas. We will be exploring ways to keep our mind and body healthy, learning about the importance of mental and physical health. Pupils can wear YELLOW to support the #HelloYellow campaign for youngminds.org.uk   Parents' evenings this week.   Parents' evenings this week. |                                   |                                  |   |
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## **Spotlight on the Senior Leadersip Team (SLT)**

There are many adults working with your children in school and via our newsletters we like to introduce these staff. It is important for parents to know who is working with their child, who oversees provision in school and who is available to talk to if you have any queries. This week we are focusing on Senior Leaders in school.

I am Miss Maltby and I am the Pastoral Leader. My role is to ensure the safety and well-being of all the children in our Sutton Park Family. I also lead on the drive for outstanding attendance. I am passionate about the welfare of all, I believe that all children should feel safe, valued and heard.



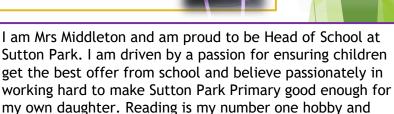
My name is Aimee Jones, I am the Assistant Head Teacher leading Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. I also have the responsibility to lead Reading across school. I love to read both fiction and non-fiction and believe that it is the key to all knowledge. Outside of school I enjoy spending time with my family and friends and have just started to learn to play the piano.



Since 2020 I have worked for PACT, based at Sutton Park as Deputy Head from 2021. I thoroughly enjoy my role, leading whole school developments in teaching and learning, overseeing the curriculum and teaching our amazing pupils. I work closely with the SLT to ensure our children are happy, healthy and safe in school. I have two boys of my own, one in year 6 and one in year 8, making me a busy working mum, but I try hard to make time to have an occasional run around the park, read a good book or even start a new painting. I love working at Sutton Park and am excited for the year ahead!

I am Mrs Runacus - the Lead Practitioner for Inclusion. Having been at Sutton Park since 2020, I am passionate about meeting the needs of all children in our school. Ensuring that all children can thrive is a key focus of my role. I also advocate for parental involvement and enjoy providing opportunities for parents to network, meet and support each other.





reading stories to our whole-school is one of my favourite things to do!

Me and my team are always on hand to support pupils and their families in whatever way we can. We operate an open communication policy and appreciate both positive and developmental feedback.



Hi, I am Mrs Davin and I would love to tell you a bit more about myself. I lead and work closely with our teachers and children in Year 3, 4 and 5. I also lead Science across the school, a subject I love and studied at university. I have been a teacher for 13 years and worked at most of the schools within our MAT. I am passionate about people and their development, whether that be our children, early career teachers or our wider community. Sutton Park school has a special place in my heart as this is the area where I grew up, it almost feels like coming home.



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# In the corridors we:



Walk in a straight line, one behind the other.



Keep to the left.



Are quiet.



Open the door for others.



Say:

- "Thank you!"
- "You're welcome!"



### At lunchtime we:



Use our manners. (Please and thank



Eat sensibly, using our cutlery.



Chat quietly with the children around us.



Do not rush our



# At playtime we:



We play together safely.



Show kindness and respect to others.



Enjoy healthy snacks.



Report anything that worries us to an adult.



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