

Message from the Head of School:

With only 3 weeks left of this academic year, school is busy, busy, busy! Pupils are working hard in class to complete all planned curriculum content for their current year group and are beginning to get excited about transition day too. Transition day this year is Wednesday 12th July and all pupils across school will spend time with their new teacher during the day. There are some staff changes for the new academic year, including several new staff to welcome to Sutton Park in September too- more information is included in this newsletter. There are also some reminders about events coming up and deadlines for support being offered this summer too. As referenced in my letter last week, classes affected by strike action on Wednesday and/or Friday will be text as soon as possible on the morning of planned strikes. I hope you enjoy reading about the latest happenings in school. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Middleton



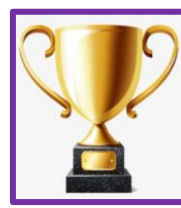
Scholastic book fair success:

Thank you to everyone who came to our scholastic book fair last week. It was a huge success with almost £400 worth of books being sold. The commission which school earned from these sales has enabled us to select several new books from the fair for use in our library. From graphic novels to picture books to information texts, there's something for everyone to enjoy. The book fair will return in the Autumn Term so please keep an eye out for this on next year's calendar dates.



Prizegiving 2023:

We look forward to celebrating with this year's prize winners at PA High tonight from 5:30pm. Pupils are invited to wear their best party/celebratory clothes for this event and do not have to wear school uniform.



Emergency Household Support Fund:

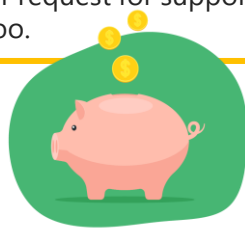
Last week a link was shared on Class Dojo to an electronic form:

(<https://forms.office.com/e/TQZm0FZ8BK>)

This link will expire on Wednesday at 7pm so please ensure you have clicked the link and registered if you feel your family are in need of any of the 3 support funds available:

supermarket vouchers for food, supermarket vouchers for non-branded school uniform or a full SP PE kit kindly donated by St Columbia's Church. We understand times are difficult for families at the moment and the cost-of-living crisis continues to affect many.

Please contact the school office if you are unable to access or complete the form so that we can add your request for support for consideration too.



Sports Day:

Parents are invited to attend the afternoon races on Thursday 13th July:

- **EYFS & KS1 races will be 12:30-1:45pm.**
- **KS2 races will be 1:50-3:05pm.**

For pupil safety, the school gates will be locked during the afternoon events so parents/family members must be able to stay for the entire time slot above and must arrive on time. We will be unable to allow staggered entry/exit across the afternoon so please bring along a camping chair, sun protection and water for your comfort.





Staffing changes:

As is often the case with a new academic year on the horizon, there are some staffing updates to share with you.

Miss Abdalla and Miss Kamran are both leaving PACT to start new adventures in September. As Assistant Heads they have worked with many of our families, having huge impact on teaching and learning, academic success and the pastoral care of the pupils they've served. I'm sure you all join me in wishing them well for their new chapters. Mrs Milbourne is retiring from her Teaching Assistant role in July too. Her impact on pupils has been great and I would specifically like to thank her for all of her recent hard work with Phonics interventions. Supporting children to learn how to read is a life changing gift and one which Mrs Milbourne has always taken great pride in. We wish her a long and happy retirement!

In September we will be welcoming some new staff into school too. Mr Bullock is an experienced teacher from Arden Primary School who will be joining us as a Y6 teacher and Maths Lead. Miss Watson is an Early Careers Teacher (previously known as NQT) who will be beginning her teaching career with us in Y3. We look forward to welcoming these new staff into school.

School library and book returns:

As we approach the end of the school year, all library and home reading books need to be returned to school please. It is important we are able to stock check and prepare reading resources for September. Please send any Sutton Park texts back to school as soon as possible but no later than the final week of term. The library will be open this evening until 3:45pm to support parents in ensuring books borrowed are returned. Tonight will be the final evening of after-school opening until the new academic year. Thank you to all who have come along and enjoyed books, newspapers and magazines with their children.

Attendance last week:

All classes are aiming for at least 95%
A sickness bug and chickenpox have affected our figures this week ☹️

Class	Attendance	Lates
RJS	87.79%	29
1D	91.7%	13
1P	80.58%	8
2M	86.36%	18
2P	90.24%	11
3K	91.19%	11
4B	86.87%	7
4K	84.57%	7
5O	82.99%	9
5WS	73.64%	8
6D	90.62%	14
6T	91.19%	7



New classes in September:

We understand that pupils and parents are keen to find out who their new class teacher will be. On Wednesday, a detailed letter will be shared with all parents via Class Dojo. This will outline all plans and preparations for the new academic year. Like last year, it will contain all that you need to know about uniform, school timings, classes, class locations, entrance doors and important school rules/procedures.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 12 th July	National Transition Day	Children across school meet their new teachers for September. Y6 attend their new secondary school. Classes and teachers for September 2023 will be shared next week.
Thursday 13 th July	Sports' Day (PM)	Afternoon races will involve all pupils (EYFS, Nurture and Y1-6) Parents welcome to attend (12:30 start time TBC)
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! More details will follow in a specific Y6 letter.
Friday 21 st July	Y6 Leavers assembly	Y6 Parents and carers invited to attend. PLEASE SIGN IN VIA THE MAIN SCHOOL OFFICE (FROM 9AM)
Friday 21 st July	Academic year ends	School closes for pupils for summer holidays at 1pm



Y6 residential:
This weekend has been one of life-long memory building for many of our Y6 pupils. They had the most amazing time at Kingswood Residential Centre in Norfolk and represented Sutton Park so well throughout. Our school values 'believe - inspire - achieve' were on full display throughout the wide range of activities they tackled. Staff were so impressed by the resilience, courage, collaboration and communication skills on show. Important calendar events like this couldn't happen without the commitment, support and dedication of Sutton Park staff. A huge thank you to Miss Abdalla, Miss Maltby, Miss McCoy, Miss Trowman and Mr Murphy, who all gave up their weekend to supervise the children.