

Message from the Head of School:

December is officially here and the festive season is rapidly approaching. With just three weeks left of the autumn term, staff and pupils are working hard in school. Before we can break up there is planned curriculum content to cover, Christmas performances to plan/perform, events to enjoy and 'A Christmasaurus Carol' to finish! I am sure we have an exciting few weeks ahead and look forward to celebrating with you all at our forthcoming events. (Don't forget our Scholastic Book Fair starts this afternoon, in the infant hall.)

Last Wednesday, we were thrilled to hit the 96% attendance target across school. Attendance to school is so important for our children to thrive. Thank you to everyone who is ensuring their children are in school every day and on time. Together, we can ensure your child achieves their best.

Mrs Middleton

Staff returning from maternity leave:

We will soon be welcoming a familiar face back to Sutton Park Primary and a new one too. Mrs Msanide-Brookes is due back from her maternity leave next week and will be joining the Reception teaching team.



We are also pleased to be welcoming Miss Flint to the Sutton Park team. Miss Flint is an Assistant Head Teacher who previously worked at Highfield School. She is joining us to job share with our other part-time AHT, Mrs Davin.

I am sure you will join me in welcoming both of them to our school, just in time for Christmas!

School photographs:

Thank you to all parents and carers for accommodating the change of date for last week's school photography. The children brought their best smiles to school and the photographs look fantastic.

Please ensure you follow the order details to place your orders as soon as possible. We have been assured by Tempest that they will be delivered to school before we break up for Christmas if ordered promptly.



Christmas dinner:

We believe our school kitchen provide the best school dinners in all of Sutton Coldfield... If you've ever tasted the samples on parents' evenings, we're sure you will agree!

On Wednesday 20th December they will be lovingly making our SPP Christmas Dinner. This is not to be missed!

All pupils who are hot school dinners usually, will automatically have a Christmas dinner allocation. If your child is usually sandwiches but wants to join in with our traditional Christmas feast, please follow the link below to order a dinner for them. The cost is £2.25 per pupil (£1.80 for Nursery) and payable via ParentPay.

Please note your child's Christmas lunch will only be confirmed when the form AND the payment have been received. The deadline for this is Monday 11th December at midday. Thank you.

<https://forms.office.com/e/ThkjNAuyjD>



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. Family members of star award recipients are welcome to join us! Please sign in at the main school office.



	Star 1	Star 2
Reception	Alfie	Aveah
1D	Dainton	Amelia
1P	Romillie	Lainey
2P	Annie	Clara
2T	Kian	Isabeau
3W	Mason C	Amanda
3B	Fatimah	Anzar
4WS	Aahil	Joseph
5O	Imogen	Daniel
5D	Keira	Aaditya
6K	Xavier	Aishwariya
6W	Darcy	Alex

Attendance:

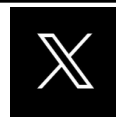
Attendance to school is a legal requirement and being in school every day and on time is proven to improve pupil outcomes. All classes are aiming for at least 96% attendance across the academic year.

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

Whole-school attendance improved to reach 93.5% last week.

Please do all you can to get into school on time, each day.

Registration Form	Class %
RMS	93.4
1D	97.2
1P	90.5
2T	95.4
2P	95.4
3B	93.3
3W	86.9
4WS	92.9
5D	92.0
5O	89.4
6W	96.1
6K	97.6



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Christmas dates, events and more!

Everything you need to know about Christmas at Sutton Park Primary can be found here:

<http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/index.php/foryou/parents/letters-home/christmas-2023-at-sutton-park-primary-school>



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

- **Friday 8th December - Non-uniform day** - Children can wear Christmas Jumpers or non-uniform for a donation for the Christmas Fayre: EYFS to Y2 – cuddly toy, Y3 to Y6 – empty jam jar stuffed with novelty items (could be sweets, hair bobbles, marbles, stationery, fidgets, toys)
- **Thursday 14th December – Christmas Fayre** – join us from 3:30-5pm for our annual Christmas Fayre.

