



SUTTON PARK PRIMARY RSA ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Issue 4

20th November 2020



We had such a brilliant day raising money for Children In Need. Children were invited to come to school in their favourite colours and during the morning, each class joined a virtual school assembly to show off our colourful outfits. It was so lovely to see each other around school. Each class then had a vote for the most colourfully dressed and the winners were given a small prize. In total we raised £118.52. Thank you so much for your generous donations.



On Monday 16th November, to mark the first day of Anti-bullying Week, pupils and staff came to school wearing odd socks. This was a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique. During the day, pupils took part in a range of activities to raise self-esteem. Throughout the week, pupils have also taken part in discussions and debates around the subject of anti-bullying.



We know how challenging this year has been for so many families and in so many ways. If there has been a change in your circumstances financially, the school may be eligible for Pupil Premium funding which is received following a successful Free School Meal (FSM) application. Being eligible for Free School Meals doesn't mean that your child has to have a meal provided by our kitchen - you can still send in a packed lunch if you wish but it means that the

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school will still receive money which is then spent on your child in other ways. The Pupil Premium funding will continue until your child leaves to go to Secondary School. We do pass on the benefits of this funding to our families - children can access one after school club each week free of charge and many school trips, including residential trips, are half price.

Because children in Reception and Year 1 and 2 are automatically entitled to a Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM), very often families don't apply for FSM as they don't think they need to. If you think you may be eligible, please apply and remember, it not only benefits us as a school but it benefits you too.

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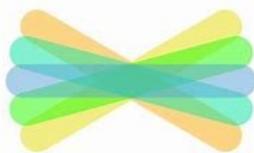
If you have any questions at all regarding this or are unsure if you may be eligible, please speak to the school office.

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We are very excited to have launched the Seesaw class app and it has been brilliant to see so many of our children accessing it already.

If you haven't yet logged on, please take a few minutes this weekend to download the app and log on. If you have any queries, please speak to your child's class teacher.



CLASS



Although we hope lockdown will be lifted on 2nd December, we will still not be able to have our 'usual' Christmas in school. We plan to still make it as magical as possible for the children and they will take part in different Christmas activities including card and decoration making, Christmas lunch, Christmas Jumper Day and hopefully a visit from the big man himself (be it virtually or through a window!) The children can still write and send Christmas cards although this will need to be just for their bubble as we will not have the large communal school post boxes.



Christmas performances - we cannot have large gatherings inside the school hall as we would normally. However, we are fully aware that this Christmas is some children's first one in school and also, for Year 6, it will be their last. Therefore, Reception will be putting on a Nativity which will be filmed, burned to CD and sent home to you. Details of this will come out nearer the time.



Year 6 will be putting on a short Carol Service on the last day of term on Friday 18th December. This will be outside to allow social distancing. Year 6 parents will be invited to stand on the bottom playground while the children perform on the top playground above. We hope to do this at the end of the school day so as parents walking the one-way system will also be able to hear it as they leave site that day. Further details will come out nearer the time. For all other year groups, as disappointing as it is, there will not be any specific performances - we will just have to make Christmas 2021 even bigger and better!

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 2020

Wednesday 9th December

Eye tests (Year 1 only)

Friday 18th December 2020

Break for Christmas holidays

January 2021

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th January 2021

TED days - school closed to pupils

Wednesday 6th January 2021

Return to school