

Whole-school newsletter Week beginning 18th March 2024

# Message from the Head of School:

The final week of term always brings along a time of reflection, celebration and forward-planning. We are so proud of the achievements of all our pupils during this Spring term. Their curriculum has been jam-packed with so many exciting texts, topics and learning opportunities. The Sutton Park way is embedded into daily school life with so many pupils being celebrated in Thursday assemblies for their attitudes to school life, learning and kindness to others. This is brilliant!

As we move into the summer term, please remember to familiarise yourself with the curriculum content for the new term: https://is.gd/overviews All year groups will also enjoy a trip this term which will further bring their learning in school to life.



# **Mrs Middleton**

# Eggscellent creations:

Today's annual Easter events were once again, a huge hit! Thank you to everyone who joined in.







## Dates for your diary:

Our annual calendar dates can be found here:

http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/ images/foryou/Calendar dates for parents 2023-24.pdf



#### In addition to these dates, there is also:

PACT conference on Monday 15th April. School is closed for teacher training on this

Polling day – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – school closed (Y6 pupils in for morning only)

## Rock Kidz return to Sutton Park!

What an amazing day we had last Wednesday! Si and Cam from the Rock Kidz returned to spend the day with us, focusing on the theme of diversity and respect. The junior hall was JUMPING and it was great to see so many children joining in, singing aloud and rocking out! Here are just a few photos from the day and some quotes from pupils about the impact the day had on them:

"I liked the song about kindness. It was really inspiring!" Olivia, Y6





about the chicken being called Mrs Middleton!"





# - BELIEVE - INSPIRE - ACHIEVE -



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 for the whole of the **SPRING TERM**:

Registration Form	Class %
Nursery	86.6%
RMS	91.3%
1D	94%
1P	91.3%
2T	93.6%
2P	90.6%
3B	94.3%
3W	90.7%
4WS	94.4%
5D	86.6%
5O	92.5%
6W	94.5%
6K	93.1%

Congratulations to 1D, 4WS and 6W who are currently the closest to our 96% target by the end of the year!

# Personal Sporting Challenges:

Personal Sporting challenges are continuing this half term on the playground at lunch time. I know this was a big hit on the playground with lots of pupils getting involved which is brilliant to see. I hope we can continue with this so we can have lots of pupils engaging with competitive physical activity.

A personal sporting challenge is a 1-minute exercise test where you try to achieve the highest score possible. You can have up to 3 attempts across the week. They take place at lunchtime on the playground and are conducted and recorded by our sports leaders.

This week's Sporting Personal Challenge is: How many times can you hop in a 1 minute?

# Congratulations to our school kitchen team:

This half term our school kitchen had an unannounced food health and safety inspection. This concluded with a 5 STAR RATING for food health and hygiene. It is official! Sutton Park Primary serves up 5 STAR FOOD and 5 STAR HYGIENE on a daily basis.



# Parents' Evenings:

Thank you to all of the family members who joined us on Tuesday evening for the Spring term parent consultations. We hope you enjoyed looking through your child's books, discussing their progress and sampling our school kitchen delights! We look forward to welcoming Nursery to Year 3 parents this evening for their appointments.



# **Inspirational Sporting Quote:**

Mr Foster shares a quote from a famous sportsperson each week with classes. This week's is a great one!

"You can't win unless you learn how to lose."

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (former NBA star)



# Extra-curricular sports clubs:

After-school clubs have been popular this term and continue to be offered free of charge to all pupils.

NEW CLUBS LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT OUT FOR THE SUMMER TERM. A wide variety of sports have been offered and the sports team are really excited to get clubs going in the (hopefully) hot sunny weather.

Clubs are allocated on a first come-first served basis. We offer 20 places for key stage 2 and 15 places for key stage 1 per club. Please encourage your children to bring in their letter as soon as possible to make sure they get a place.

### **Nursery:**

This term we have been exploring traditional fairy tales in our 'Once Upon A Time' topic. We talked about the different characters and retold the stories using various means such as small world scenes, story maps and our role play area. We brought in our favourite books to share with each other as part of show and tell and we introduced the nursery lending library. We ended the topic talking about our favourite fairy tale. The Magic Porridge Pot and The 3 Little Pigs were the most popular stories we have read.







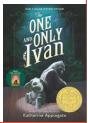


Year 1: Year 1 have had a great term and we're very proud of their consistent engagement and hard work. We've immersed ourselves into our writing using a range of texts, including Paddington and Farmyard Hullabaloo. We've especially enjoyed being scientists during our Seasonal Changes topic in Science, where we've been able to explore and measure the different types of weather in a variety of ways. We can't wait to see what the next term brings for Year 1.

# Year 4:

Year 4 have had a fantastic term! They have been improving weekly with their times tables ready for the multiplication tables check in

June and have thoroughly enjoyed our class text 'The One and Only Ivan'. We have been so impressed by the emotive writing they have produced from this.



# Spring Term



# Round-up!

<u>Year 3:</u> Year 3 have had a fantastic term learning about lots of different things. Each subject has been really enjoyable and all the children have been very hands on and engaged. Children have looked at figure drawing in Art and they have really enjoyed building up their skills and learning about different artists and Urban landscapes. In Maths, we have looked at Mass and Capacity and children have really enjoyed getting stuck in and practically measuring out Millilitres and Litres using different sized containers. Overall, Year 3 have had an amazing term with lots of learning, enthusiasm and engagement from all. We are excited for all the new learning coming up in Summer Term.



#### Reception:

The children have really enjoyed our 'Ready, Steady Grow' project this term. They have learned about where our food comes from and grew some beans too, linked to our class text, Jasper's Beanstalk. The reception children won a very special prize which meant we were able to take part in some drama workshops with the Rep theatre, which were fun and imaginative! It has been a wonderful Spring term and we are looking forward to our Summer projects.

Resource Base: This term, resource base 1 have been enhancing their writing with a range of descriptive language to write exciting adventure stories and encouraging letters to characters from their class texts. They have enjoyed looking at a range of poetry and putting together their own performance of a poem. They have looked at natural forms in art such as shells and plants and created motifs for printing blocks to use with ink to produce some beautiful

colourful prints this term!

# Year 2:

Year 2 have worked extremely hard this term learning all about plants, coastlines, poems, measurements and much more! We are so proud of the progress they have made; they are turning into wonderful learners. We are looking forward to our final term and seeing each child make even more progress.







Year 6 have thoroughly enjoyed reading the text 'Shackleton's Journey' and they have used it as a stimulus for writing a non-chronological report and a newspaper report. The children have also been learning about the polar regions through their Geography topic of Frozen Kingdoms, this linked to the Art where the children have done soap carvings of items associated to the Inuit. Finally, Year 6 have worked incredibly hard in preparation for their SATs and they have shown brilliant resilience and dedication.





#### Year 5:

Year 5 have tackled decimals, percentages, perimeters and area in Maths. They have focused on one-sided arguments and features of persuasive writing in English. Art has seen them experiment with line, light and shadow by sketching and use of pen and ink. Overall, year 5 have engaged positively with their learning this term. Well done Year 5! Have a great Easter break. ©

Resource base 2 have been learning about the seasons and changes in animals throughout the year. In conjunction with this, they have been exploring the natural world during forest school to search for living things and observe them with magnifying equipment. They have also thoroughly enjoyed the themed arts and crafts linked to their learning in the afternoons.