



### Message from the Head of School:

I'm typing this message to you all with freezing cold fingers and toes after heading back inside from our annual Christmas tree light switch-on. What a super, festive end to our Monday! Thank you to everyone who came to share in this tradition and of course, huge thanks to our school choir for their performance. This morning saw the launch of our whole-school text 'A Christmasaurus Carol'. Our friends the Christmasaurus and William Trundle are back for the fourth year in a row, and we will be delighting in a chapter a day as we count down to Christmas! This week's newsletter is a little shorter than usual because an additional Christmas newsletter came home on Friday. This outlines all of the events happening in school over the next four weeks, including those which family members are invited to. We hope to see lots of you there!

Mrs Middleton

### Congratulations to Bethany!

Bethany from Year 1 took part in a freestyle acrobatics competition at the weekend and was awarded this amazing trophy!

She competed against 15 other children in her category and performed a routine of jumps, splits and kicks.

Wow! Bethany, we are so proud of you!



### 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>

Further information about how to order a Christmas dinner will follow in due course.



### SMARTIES fundraising

#### THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS RETURNED THEIR SMARTIES TUBES ALREADY!

We are keeping track of the numbers of tubes returned in each class and prizes will be awarded to the top 3 fundraising classes.

Once full, please tape the lid shut and write your child's name and class along the label on the side of the tube. Return it to school by the week commencing 11th December so they can be collected and counted. Our final Smarties total will be shared in our final newsletter before Christmas!

Why not use this as a way of giving your child some responsibilities or tasks? Examples could include: tidying their bedroom, making the bed, organising their toys, clearing the table after dinner.

We thank you in advance for your support... start saving those 20ps!



**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	Eleana	Poppy
1D	Kyran	Toby
1P	Pierre	Toby
2P	Esmail	Sienna
2T	Freddie	Shionah
3W	Charlie B	Jacob
3B	Oduwa	Maddison B
4WS	Kyle	Alisha
5O	Jason	Scarlett
5D	Keira	Amaan
6K	Trinity	Oluwatamilore (Tammy)
6W	Lacey	Kaden

**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 fell to 90.6% last week and attendance for this academic year now stands at 93.1% Please do all you can to get into school on time, each day.**

Registration Form	Class %
RMS	89.3
1D	87.4
1P	91.1
2T	93.8
2P	93.8
3B	95.6
3W	86.9
4WS	91.2
5D	90.0
5O	88.8
6W	93.4
6K	93.0



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**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](http://suttonparkprimary.co.uk/images/foryou/Calendar%20dates%20for%20parents%202023-24.pdf)

- **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Non-uniform day** - Children can wear non-uniform for a donation for the Christmas Fayre: EYFS to Y2 – chocolate for the chocolate tombola, Y3 to Y6 – bottle for the bottle tombola.
- **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December - School photograph day** - Professional school photographers will be in school to take individual and sibling photographs today. Smartest uniform and hair please. Don't forget to smile for the camera!
- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> 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)

Please remember the change of date for non-uniform and school photography.

