

PUPILS DISCOVER THEIR HOUSE TEAMS

On Thursday 30th September, pupils across the school discovered which House they have been allocated. Although we didn't have a Sorting Hat to do this, we were able to celebrate this new initiative by introducing the inspirational naturalists/environmentalists whose names we have used to identify our four House Teams.

We are looking forward to learning more about David Attenborough, Chris Packham, Tara Shine and Greta Thunberg and will be writing to them in the near future!

To help avoid any confusion, children were given a sticker with their new house on so as to ensure they remembered to let parents and carers know. House points will be awarded to pupils demonstrating our new school values. The total number of points amassed by each house will be shared with pupils in our weekly celebration assemblies. These will also go towards a running total over the year leading to the presentation of the Sutton House Cup to the house with the most points.

We hope this will not only motivate pupils to strive to do their very best, but also inspire them to learn about environmental conservation and having a voice in shaping their future.



HOUSE T-SHIRTS

You can purchase house colour t-shirts with the school logo from our official uniform provider, www.brigade.uk.com. However it is NOT compulsory to purchase your house colour t-shirt from here. Most supermarkets stock red, green, yellow and blue t-shirts. Alternatively, you can also purchase them on Amazon (these were the cheapest I can find) using the following link, www.amazon.co.uk.

A selection of classes across the school have been experimenting with devising a class 'Reading Scrapbook'. Children have the opportunity to write a little about books they would recommend, what they are about and why they liked them. The use of illustrations make them a pleasure to look as well as read.



2021-22 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED

Summary of SDP Actions	
<p>Leadership & Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leaders ensure there is an ambitious curriculum, coherently planned and sequenced - Leaders ensure that teachers have a good subject knowledge - Assessment data is moderated and used to inform the effectiveness of their own leadership - Governors will ensure that the school fulfils its statutory duties 	<p>Quality of Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School implements a curriculum that is ambitious and inclusive - Schools curriculum is coherently planned and develops both knowledge and skills - Teachers have good knowledge of the subjects they teach - Teachers check pupils understanding and respond to further their learning
<p>Behaviour & Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School has high expectations for pupils behaviour and conduct - Pupils have a positive attitude towards their own education and STRIVE to do their best - Relationships among pupils and staff are both positive and respectful 	<p>Personal Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pupils are confident, resilient and independent - The school provides high quality pastoral support - The school provides a wide range of opportunities to nurture, develop and stretch pupils talents and interests

KEY DIARY DATES

- 11th October** Wellbeing Week—'Connect' Theme
- 14th October** Online Safety Tips—Zoom Meeting
- 19th & 20th October** Sutton Parent Consultation Evenings
- 21st October** FOSS Cake Break
- 22nd October** INSET Day—School closed to pupils
- 1st November** Start of Autumn 2 Half Term
- FOSS Uniform Sale (TBC)
- Reception Pupil Eye Screening (TBC)
- 8th November** Individual Pupil Photos
- 10th November** Flu Vaccines
- 15th November** Anti-Bullying Week
- 15-18th November** Year 5 Bikeability
- 22-25th November** Year 6 Bikeability

During the INSET days at the beginning of the academic year staff and Governors came together virtually to identify key school development priorities for the forthcoming academic year.

This proved to be a hugely positive experience as there was a strong consensus among staff and governors as to where the school needs to develop further. These discussions have gone towards producing specific actions relating to these objectives which we are already well underway in implementing across the school.

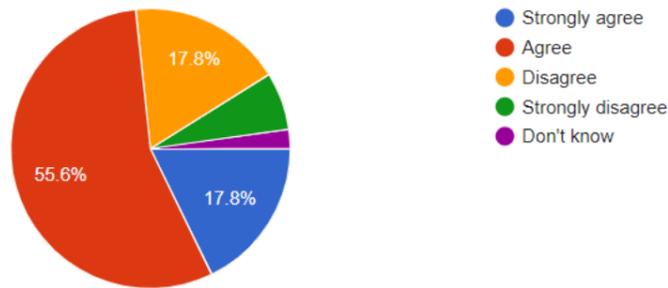
There is a great deal more to do to get the school where we want it to be, but rest assured we are, and will continue to, STRIVE to make our school one the community can be proud of.



Mark Your Calendar

SCHOOL TO PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT CURRICULUM AND LEARNING

The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.



Thank you to everyone who contributed to our parent survey posted in last week's edition of 'Sutton News' and on ClassDojo; it highlighted many positives as well as areas in need of development. Although a significant number of respondents are satisfied with information shared concerning their child's learning, over one quarter of respondents would like more information. This is something that has been raised in discussions I have had with parents too.

In light of this, I am delighted to share the following produced by Mrs Garbutt (see right), which will hopefully help parents and carers locate information about what their children are doing in school. There will of course be more to follow, so watch this space!

Want to support your child with their maths at home?

Please explore our 'maths zone' <http://www.sutton.cambs.sch.uk/web/calculations/528521>. As children move on to the addition and subtraction unit in maths, the calculation policy here will show you the stages and how we teach it. There are also some fun games to play aimed at KS1/lower KS2. For KS2 - Why not try this game of total-ity? <https://nrich.maths.org/1216/note>

KS2 also have TimesTable Rockstar logins, and playing this really helps them develop their recall speed.

How to support my child in other areas of the curriculum?

As discussed with you at TeacherMeet, we have listened to parents and made the decision to streamline the homework this year. Reading and learning new vocabulary is key to the children understanding the curriculum. On your child's google classroom this week you will have seen the 'Big Ideas', science and geography/history vocabulary shared. Exploring the key questions and practising using the vocabulary at home will really help.

Powerful words is an exciting project that the school is part of to help develop children's vocabulary further - in KS2 ask your children which powerful word they have learnt this week and challenge yourselves to use it at home as much as you can!

FREE AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS TO START NEXT WEEK

We are pleased to announce an exciting timetable of after school clubs and activities which will start the week commencing 4th October 2021. It is our intention to provide as many interesting and exciting opportunities for our children that may not be covered within our curriculum. These are FREE OF CHARGE, so do make sure you sign your child(ren) up!

The clubs will operate on a first come first served basis, and additional names will be added to a waiting list in the order they are received. Should your child miss two consecutive sessions for a reason other than absence their place will be offered to the next pupil on the waiting list. Each pupil is able to attend one club of their choice each term, subject to space being available.

Dates	Time	Club	Year Group	Teacher
Monday 4 th & 11 th October 1 st , 8 th , 15 th & 22 nd November	3.10pm - 4.10pm	Art Club – 3D sculptures	Y4/5/6 only (max 8)	Mrs Bodnar
Tuesday 5 th & 12 th October 2 nd , 9 th , 16 th & 23 rd November	8.15am – 8.40am	Music club	All welcome (max 10)	Mrs Vajzovic
Every Tuesday from 5 th October to 14 th December (not 26 th October)	3.10pm - 4.10pm	Netball	KS2 only (max 20)	Mr Baxter
Wednesday 6 th & 13 th October 3 rd , 10 th , 17 th & 24 th November	8.15am – 8.40am	Dance	EYFS & KS1 (max 15)	Mrs Pitt
Wednesday 6 th & 13 th October 3 rd , 10 th , 17 th & 24 th November	12.30pm - 1.15pm	Run for fun	KS2 only	Mrs Garbutt
Every Wednesday from 6 th October to 15 th December (not 27 th October)	3.10pm - 4.10pm	Tai Chi	KS2 only	Mr Baxter
Thursday 7 th & 14 th October 4 th , 11 th , 18 th & 25 th November	3.10pm - 4.10pm	STEM - An exciting club for KS2 to explore fun projects in Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths. We will be starting by exploring Isambard Kingdom Brunel's many different engineering innovations and will also be making potions, setting up a weather station and growing crystals among many other activities in our STEM-packed sessions	KS2 only (max 15)	Mrs Woodruffe & Mrs Gates
Every Friday from 8 th October until the end of the academic year. Term time only. Club will not run on inset days and bank holidays.	3.10pm - 4.10pm	Football	Y5 & 6 only (max 14)	Mr Harrison



CHAMPIONS OF CHANGE SET TO WORK!



Our Champions of Change pupil group have already helped rename our classes and create our house teams and now they've designed their new logo! A massive congratulations to Lara in Rhino Class for her Earth design badge!

Congratulations to all the children at Sutton Primary School who entered, as their designs contributed towards a GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ title for the largest postage stamp design competition!

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HEROES STAMP DESIGN COMPETITION

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CONGRATULATIONS
on achieving the
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for the largest postage stamp design competition in May 2021.
Your design contributed towards this record title, where a total of 606,049 entries were received.

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