



Learning for Life

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Summer Term Diary Dates

- Thurs 30th April:** Class photographs
Sun 3rd May: Tour De Yorkshire, passing through Sutton: games in the park, from Sutton Village Committee.
Mon 4th May: Bank Holiday: school closed
Thurs 7th May: Mock election in school
W/c Mon 11th May: Assessment week across school, including SATs assessments for years 2 and 6.
Tues 12th May: Parents meeting for residential trip to Langdale, 3:20pm
Friday 15th May: Big Board Game Day in school, parents welcome from 1.15pm onwards.
Tues 19th May: year 5/6 inter-school cricket tournament, Sutton Cricket Club
Mon 25th-Fri 29th May: Half Term Holiday
- Tues 9th June:** years 3/4 inter-school cricket tournament, Sutton Cricket Club
10th-12th June: Residential visit to Langdale for years 4-6
W/c: 15th June: Phonics check for year 1 children in school
Sun 21st June: Sutton Funday, come and join us for the parade at 11:00am
Weds 24th June: Blossom Class: Inter-school Mini Olympics
Mon 29th June: year 5 day at South Craven School
Weds 1st June: year 6 parents 'Welcome meeting' at South Craven School, 6:00pm
Fri 3rd July: Years 6 induction day at South Craven School
Tues 7th July: Sport Day: Sutton Park, 1:00pm onwards, all welcome
Weds 8th July: year 5/6 rounders inter-school tournament at South Craven School
Fri 10th July: Year 6 trip to Blackpool Pleasure Beach
W/c: Mon 13th July: Pupil reports sent home to parents.
Thurs 16th July: year 6 vs. Staff annual rounders match, Sutton Park, 3:30pm, all welcome.
Fri 17th July: year 6 leaver's assembly in school, 9:00am, year 6 parents welcome.
Fri 17th July: School closes.

*More dates to follow.

'New Starters 2015'

I am pleased to confirm that our school continues to be a popular choice for parents. We will have a full intake of children in Reception in September, with a further number on our 'waiting list'.

Sainsbury's



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Tues 5th May is the last day for Sainsbury's 'Active Kids' vouchers. We have always been able to get loads of free equipment for school using this scheme. If you have any more before the due date...please bring them in.

New faces at Sutton CE

I am pleased to welcome Mrs Rhonda Phelps to our team. Rhonda is our newly appointed Midday Supervisor. Many of you may know Rhonda from Boys Brigade and her work with the church. The children are already making her feel welcome and part of our school.

Staying safe in the sun

Now the weather is getting a little sunnier, please ensure on particularly hot days that children have adequate protection: sun hats, their water bottle in school, and sun cream if your child will be outdoors for the day e.g. outdoor PE.

Big Board Game Day



Come into school on the afternoon of **Friday 15th May, 1.15pm** onwards... and join in the fun!



Tour De Yorkshire 1st-3rd May

On Sunday 3rd May, Sutton in Craven will be on the route for the 'Tour De Yorkshire'

Sutton Park will be hosting events and fun activities on the day.

You can find more information about the race at www.letour.yorkshire.com



100% attendance last term!

Willow

Thomas Ash
Sarah Cordingly
Jake Hall
Elyse Hartley
Holly Holland
George Hooson
Millie Howlett
George Little
Lil Szasz
Hannah Walker

Oak

Thomas Hutchinson
Poppy Neely
Anna Szasz
Owen Whitehead Edwards

School Uniform

I have written this week to parents of children in year 5. This is to explain how, from September children in year 6 will be permitted to wear a *red* school jumper.

My own and the Governing Body's thinking is that as we have mixed-age classes in our school, we feel that our year 6 children should not miss out on being recognised as our most senior members. More importantly, as a school, we feel strongly that our year 6 children should be regarded as role models for our younger children.

This is something we strongly emphasise in school, and I feel that making a clear distinction between our year 6's and the rest of the school will help the children and staff to support this thinking on a daily basis in school.

Many schools adopt this approach and Headteacher colleagues tell me they feel it works really well, in building up the responsibility, self-esteem and maturity of our oldest children.



It feels like we have finally entered the digital-age at Sutton CE this week. Class trips, swimming lessons and school dinners can now be paid for online. You will have received a letter this week detailing how you can set up a 'Parent Pay' account with school. If you are unsure how to do this, see Mrs Hayton in the school office, who will be happy to help.

We are currently planning to introduce this payment system for Bobbins before and after school club also, and will let you know when this is up and running.

New faces at St Thomas'



A new Vicar has been appointed at St Thomas'. Rev. Helen Collins will soon be joining us from Wakefield.

The local church has always played an integral part in school life by being represented on the Governing Body and we look forward to working with Rev. Collins.

Pupil Wellbeing

I include below some responses from our children on their feelings around how safe they feel in school. The percentages in brackets are averages for all North Yorkshire School. Although this is an area that we will always endeavour to do more on in school, I feel our own children's feelings on these matters compare very favourably to other North Yorkshire schools

- **64%** (48%) of pupils responded that they 'always' feel happy during school playtimes.
- **72%** (72%) of pupils responded that they 'always' feel safe during school playtimes.
- **41%** (65%) of pupils responded that they have experienced negative behaviours at least a 'few times' in the last month, while **4%** (7%) experienced such behaviour 'every day'.
- **11%** (35%) of pupils responded that they have been pushed/hit for no reason at least a 'few times' in the last month, while **4%** (18%) said they have had belongings taken/broken.
- **26%** (36%) of pupils responded that they have experienced negative behaviour outside at school during break times in the last month, while **11%** (24%) have experienced such behaviour in a classroom during break times and **11%** (21%) have experienced it at or near home.
- **12%** (22%) of pupils responded that they have been bullied at or near school in the last 12 months.