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Warm clothes

With the colder weather fast approaching, please could you ensure that your child brings a sweatshirt or cardigan (named) to school. To comply with guidance, the windows in school are opened to aid ventilation throughout the building, so children may need to wear sweatshirts or cardigans in class. It may be a good idea to send you child with layers if they particularly feel the cold.

Recommended reads



Reception and Key Stage 1—A great big cuddle by Michael Rosen. Rosen captures in the most remarkable way what it means to be very, very young. A child's world with all its details and feelings — toys and games, animals and made-up creatures, likes and dislikes. A wonderful bedtime read by a well respected children's author.



Key Stage 2—The boy who dreamed of Dragons by Andy Shepherd . Tomas has a dragontree at the bottom of his grandparents' garden. Young dragons grow up there, before leaving for their home in the far North. Zing, a tiny dragon, with wings too big for him causes mayhem and chaos with everything he touches. When Tomas makes friends with Aura at school, one adventure follows another.

Feet up reading!

It was a very relaxed affair in Citrine Class this week as the children became involved in their first ever 'feet up' reading event at the school. The aim of this weekly occurring event is to promote a love of reading in a less formal environment, where children are able to pick up and enjoy their favourite text and simply read for enjoyment. There was certainly an initial 'buzz' of excitement from the classroom, but the children then quickly settled to a piece of reading material of their choice. Some children took to the floor, others curled up under a table, whilst some simply preferred to put their feet up. Here you are able to see the children taking part.



Remote learning

As you may be aware, schools across the country have a responsibility for providing remote education for those children who are self isolating due to COVID or COVID related symptoms. At Sutton, we have been proud of the way in which Class Dojo has been able to support families through the recent lockdown period. We are always striving to improve things and therefore are now looking at ways to enhance this experience for our families further, and to ensure that all of you have the access to materials that you need. Very soon we will be writing to you to explain more about how we intend to use Google Classroom and Accelerated Reader, in the event that bubbles or larger groups of staff or children are required to isolate. In the meantime, if your child and family have had to self isolate, please be advised that the class teacher will be providing work for your child/ren through Class Dojo. Class teachers will be providing work from the day AFTER we have been notified of a self isolating case. This will allow the teacher time to prepare resources that will allow children to re-access the classroom smoothly, upon their return to school.

Please look out for further information about our remote learning plans that will be coming soon.

Headteacher roll of honour

Tia in Carnelian Class—Tia has high expectations for herself and is a worthy role model for other children. You have a great learning attitude Tia, well done.

Aiden in Ruby Class—Aiden 'wowed' me with his number skills this week. He shared a fun game with me and shared his growing knowledge and confidence with numbers. Brilliant!

Kamile in Zircon Class—Kamile demonstrated her careful eye for detail this week, when she created a wonderful painted canvas that depicted the most incredible landscape scenes. Kamile really does have a flair for art.

Forthcoming Dates

14th Oct—Parent consultation evening (please see previously circulated information)

16th Oct—Harvest celebrations (in school event this year)

20th Oct—Parent consultation evening (please see previously circulated information)

23rd October—Training day (school closed to children)

w/c 26th Oct—Half term (children return on 2nd Nov)

Champions of Change

Children at Sutton take responsibility for changing the future very seriously. In that vein, many were keen to become ambassadors for the school by becoming known as a Sutton 'Champion of Change'. In order to gain this title, the children had to write and present a manifesto to the rest of their class, that convinced them that they should be nominated for this prestigious and important role. Naturally, a Champion of Change would need to emulate our school value of 'RESPECT' and would be someone that the whole school community could rely upon to be the voice of positive change for the future. We are pleased to inform you that the following children will take on the role of 'Champion for Change' this academic year.

Class	Champion of Change
Ruby	Amelia
Sapphire	Theo M
Tanzanite	Ronni
Aquamarine	Mason
Emerald	Рорру
Amethyst	Willow
Turquoise	Jasmine
Zircon	Deegan
Carnelian	Mia
Citrine	Harry