

Merry Christmas!

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FOSS Raffle Tickets

Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets for the FOSS Christmas Raffle.

A total of £345 was raised.

I'd like to thank all of the FOSS Committee for their enthusiasm and hard work this term. It's been a very successful term with FOSS being able to purchase a Clevertouch Screen for one of our Yr 3/4 classes.

100% Attendance

Congratulations to the 87 children who achieved 100% attendance this term.

All the children have been given certificates to mark this special achievement.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for supporting our recent Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children. We raised £297 on the day which will go to help children both in this country and overseas.

KS2 Christmas Carol Service at St Andrew's Church

Thank you to everyone who came along to our KS2 Carol Service at St Andrew's Church yesterday. It was lovely to see the church so full with members of our school community.

School Dinner Money

If you have an outstanding balance on your child's school dinner money account please do make every effort to settle the account at the start of term.

Medicines in School

We have a number of bottles of medicine waiting to be collected from our school office.

If you have left us with medicine in recent weeks please do come and collect it from the main office.

School Closure due to bad weather or lack of utility services

Very occasionally I have to take the decision to close the school to the pupils. This may be due to a number of reasons:

 No water — where the estimated repair is long and likely to impact on the school day for toilets, handwashing and cooking

- No electricity and the estimated repair is likely to impact on the school day
- No heating
- Bad weather

Once I've taken the decision to close the school I will notify parents via the following means:

- School website
- Parentmail
- Sutton Noticeboard via Kirstie
 Sole and Melissa Wolland
- Radio Cambridgeshire
- Heart 103 and 102.7.

Primary School Admissions Process for September 2018

Parents of pre-school children who will be starting at primary school in September 2018 are advised that the application process for school places opened on Thursday 16 November and will **close on Monday 15 January 2017**. This is a national process and the dates are agreed by all the Local Authorities.

Please note that there is no right of automatic transfer from nursery/pre-school to a primary school.

All parents are required to apply for a school place – no places are allocated. automatically.

Family Worker drop in

Do you have a concern or query about any of your children? Would you like advice around things such as behaviour, anxiety, sleeping, sibling rivalry or self-esteem?

Come along to one of the Parent and Carer Support Drop-ins and chat to an experienced family worker.

To book an appointment please contact the school office or simply just turn up.

The dates until February 2018 are:

Tuesday 23 January 2018 Wednesday 28 February 2018

All the sessions will run from 9:00 until 11:00am.

Staff INSET Day in January

On Wednesday 3 January the teachers will be participating in a WASP Partnership Training Day. The focus for the day will be Science and assessment techniques that we can use when working with pupils in all age groups.

Spring Term 2018

We will start back to school after the Christmas holidays on Thursday 4 January.

Molly Men Visit

The Mepal Molly Men will be visiting the school on Monday 8 January to celebrate Plough Monday.

The Molly Men are a group of volunteers who visit schools to keep alive the local traditions. Plough Monday is traditionally the first Monday in January after the New Year.

Mr Bate

Thank you to everyone who has been very patient with me whilst I've got to grips with Mr Bate's varied roles at the school.

Mr Bate will hopefully be starting back to work on a phased return in mid-January. He's not 100% yet but is definitely `getting there!'

Mrs Korniotis-Diaper

Today is the last day for Mrs Korniotis-Diaper as she will be starting her Maternity Leave in January.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Korniotis-Diaper for all her hard work this term and wish her and Austen, her husband, very best wishes for the arrival of their first baby in the new year.

School Contact Details

You can contact the school in a number of ways:

1. By speaking to your child's classteacher

- 2. By telephone: 01353 778 351
- 3. By email: office@sutton.cambs.sch.uk
- 4. If you just need to check out some information use our new website: <u>www.sutton.cambs.sch.uk</u>

Dates for the Spring Term 2018

Wednesday 3 January – Staff INSET Day Thursday 4 January – School reopens after the Christmas Holidays.

...and finally

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

I hope that 2018 brings everyone health and happiness.

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