



*Live well, laugh together, learn forever*

## Newsletter 5

### Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who supported our Harvest Festival earlier today. It was lovely to see so many parents and members of our school community at St Andrew's Church.

The generosity of the school community was, once again, overwhelming. All the donated produce will go to the Foodbank in Sutton. Thank you for your kindness and generosity in supporting this worthwhile cause.

### FOSS Disco

Don't forget the FOSS Disco is running tonight. There are two separate sessions:

**FS/KSI pupils** will be able to come along between 3:45 and 4:45pm

**KS2 pupils** will have their session between 5:00pm and 6:00pm.

If you can help with either or both sessions please do let a member of the FOSS Committee know or contact the main school office.

### Book Amnesty

We will be holding a book amnesty over the next couple of weeks – if you have any school books that belong to us please return them to the school so that we can put them back onto our book shelves for other children to enjoy.

### Sickness Bug

Unfortunately, like a lot of schools in the local area we have sent home a number of children due to sickness and/or diarrhea

As a school we follow the NHS advice that children (and staff) suffering with these symptoms need to be kept off school for a full 48hrs after the last bout of illness.

This type of bug is very contagious and will spread through a school very quickly. Whilst we appreciate that the children (and staff) may be feeling much better after the physical symptoms have gone the bacteria that caused the initial illness can still be transferred to others.

### Parent Consultations

A number of parents have already booked for the forth coming Parent Consultations. These are being held on Thursday 19 October and Tuesday 31 October 2017.

If you are having problems negotiating the online booking system please do

contact the main school office and the members of staff there will endeavor to help you.

Parents are reminded that there is an opportunity for each parent to attend a consultation during the Autumn Term and Spring Term.

### **FOSS Cake Break**

At the recent FOSS Committee Meeting it was agreed to host two Cake Breaks this term.

The first Cake Break will be held on **Wednesday 18 October** during our morning break.

For each event we ask a different set of parents to make or send in cakes that we can sell to the children. For the October Cake Break we are asking parents of KS2 pupils to send in cakes. Each cake will be sold for 30p with all the money raised going to FOSS.

Each child will be allowed to buy one cake with any spare cakes being sold to parents at the end of the school day.

### **Yr 6 English Competition**

On Wednesday 27 September four Yr 6 pupils - Harrison, Benji, Daisy and Poppy - were selected to represent the school in the annual Yr 6 English Challenge.

The children travelled to The Lantern Primary School in Ely where they competed against five other schools in a series of challenging rounds. These

included a book round, a memory round and a grammar round.

The children worked well as a team across all the rounds but at the end of the competition we finished outside the top three.

The team were commended on their knowledge of different authors and their behaviour was exemplary throughout.

### **Volunteering in School**

Are you able to offer a small amount of time on a weekly basis to volunteer in school?

If you answered yes to the question you may be interested in our forth coming BRP Training that is being held on Wednesday 18 October 2017. The training starts at 9:00 and will last approximately 90 minutes.

This training looks at how children read and how adults can support children to become fluent in this life skill. In return for attending the training we ask that volunteers give a small amount of time on a weekly basis to support an identified pupil who is finding reading tricky to master.

If you are interested in finding out more about this training please contact our school office. The training is open to all members of our school community and will require the volunteers to undertake a DBS check.

## 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:

Wednesday 18 October 2017

Tuesday 21 November 2017

Thursday 14 December 2017

Tuesday 23 January 2018

Wednesday 28 February 2018

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

## Pierced Ears

During the school day it is possible for the children to wear stud style earrings.

However, new advice from the Local Authority states that during PE lessons the children should remove their earrings.

If your child finds this difficult on their PE days it may be easier for your children to come to school without earrings in just for that day.

## Cambridge Festival of Ideas

If you're already thinking of ideas to keep the children occupied during the October Half Term holiday you may like to consider the Cambridge Festival of Ideas.

The Festival explores some of the most essential and thought provoking issues of our time. There are hundreds of free events, from talks, debates and film screening to exhibitions and performances based on the year's theme of Truth. The festival features researchers from the University of Cambridge, public figures and renowned guests.

The festival runs from Monday 16 October until Sunday 29 October for further details please go to the festival's website:

[www.festivalofideas.cam.ac.uk](http://www.festivalofideas.cam.ac.uk) or call 01223 766 766

## 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](mailto:office@sutton.cambs.sch.uk)
4. If you just need to check out some information use our new website: [www.sutton.cambs.sch.uk](http://www.sutton.cambs.sch.uk)

## Dates for the Autumn Term 2017

**Friday 6 October** – FOSS Disco

**Tuesday 10 October** – Theatre

Production of The Selfish Giant

**Wednesday 11 October** – Book Fayre

for one week

**Wednesday 11 October** – Primary

Proms at the Royal Albert Hall

**Friday 13 October** – Yr 5 to Ely Fire

Station for Fire Safety Zone

Workshops

**Wednesday 18 October** – BRP Training

9:00am in the library

**Wednesday 18 October** – Family

Worker Drop-In

**Wednesday 18 October** – FOSS Cake

Break – KS2 Parents to bake

**Thursday 19 October** – Break up for

Autumn Half Term

**Friday 20 October** – INSET Day for

teaching staff

**Monday 23 October** – school closed for

one week for the Autumn Half Term

holiday

**Monday 30 October** – school reopens

following the Autumn Half Term

holiday

**Tuesday 21 November** – Family

Worker Drop-In

**Wednesday 22 November** – FOSS

Cake Break – FS/KSI to bake

**Thursday 14 December** – Family

Worker Drop-In

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