

News & Events update 2020

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Dear parents,

Please find below some important dates for the rest of the academic year.

Dates for your diary

March

9th – Beginning of Science week

12th – Parent Consultations

13th – Stibbington trip - Turq/Aqua

16th – Stibbington trip - Tanz/Cit

17th – Parent Consultations

Wc 16th – Mothers Day lunch

18th – Class photographs

20th – Stibbington trip - Zir/Carn

31st – 6pm KS2 Easter Concert – St Andrews Church

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3rd – 9.30am-10.30am Easter service

3rd – Last day of term

20th – Inset day

21st – First day of school

23rd – Y4 Swimming starts – details to follow

May

8th – Bank Holiday

 20^{th} - 22^{nd} – Y6 Bushcraft residential

22nd – Last day of term

June

1st – First day of school

30th – KS2 Sports day

July

1st – Cromwell and Ely Y6 intake day

1st – KS1 sports day

2nd – Ely Y6 intake day

2nd – Last Y4 swimming lesson

3rd – Pupil reports to parents – to be confirmed

7th – SATs results – to be confirmed

7th – Reserve KS2 Sports day

8th – WVC Y6 intake day

8th – Reserve KS1 Sports day

9th – WVC Y6 intake day

10th – KS2 Production dress rehearsal

13th – KS2 Production afternoon performance

14th – KS2 Production morning performance

15th – Cromwell intake day

16th – KS2 Production evening performance

20th – Leavers service – pm

20th – 4pm Leavers BBQ

21st – Last day of term

Sports Relief

We were excited to be celebrating Sports Relief in school today. Sports Relief bands will be being sold all next week, costing £1. Today the children have loved the friendly tournaments that took place in school!

Next week everything is FREE! Our Champions of Change and School Council are organising activities every lunch time. These range from archery to a disco, so look out on School Dojo for photographs!

Science Week

Next week is Science week and the staff have been collecting items to make some exciting projects. If you have any clean, clear 2 litre bottles, please do bring them in on Monday. We are also looking for some old bricks with holes in them, bamboo canes or large dried stalks that are hollow, clay tiles, twigs and leaves.

Secondary Admissions

By now you should have received either an email, letter or both, advising you of your child's Secondary school offer. Please read the details carefully and ensure you have accepted your place by **Monday 16**th **March**.

Class Photographs

The photographer will be in school on Wednesday 18th March to take class photographs. Please ensure your child is in full school uniform.

Health and Safety week

Over the course of this week we have discussed various aspects of staying safe in school, including practising safety drills at various times of day to ensure that all children are able to be safe in various situations.

School uniform

This is a further reminder that all children should be in school uniform every day. This includes appropriate footwear (e.g. not trainers unless there is a specific medical reason to do so and not open toe sandals), navy sweatshirt/cardigan (not hoodies outside of PE lessons). We have noticed a recent rise in jewellery and painted/false nails which we have addressed with individuals, however we felt a general reminder was needed.

We have reminded all pupils and now remind all parents that for reasons of health and Safety, all long hair must be tied back and that jewellery is not permitted outside of the following exceptions:

- small items of religious significance, chains must be worn inside clothing
- small stud earrings only

If a child is having their ears pierced, we urge parents to arrange for this to take place during the summer holidays in order to allow appropriate healing time before the new term as whilst the studs are unable to be removed, they are unable to join in with PE which is in line with Local Authority guidance.

School access

Please note the office is manned from 8.30am until 4pm daily. Parents are not permitted to visit the school or wait in the Reception area before 8.30am or after 4pm, unless by prior appointment. If your child is attending a Premier Sport or other after school club, the Sports Coach/lead will allow entry via the fire exit once the session is finished. As with any other clubs including dance, exercise, it is the responsibility of the hirer of the hall to permit access to the building, and again this is into the hall only.

No parents or spectators are permitted to loiter in the reception area. All hirers of the hall have been advised.

Y4 Swimming

The swimming lessons for Y4 children have been booked and will be taking place after the Easter holidays. Further information will be sent out regarding this before the Easter break.

Easter Service

As is tradition we will be holding our Easter Service at the church for the whole school on Friday 3rd April at 9.30am. We expect this to last for an hour, and parents are welcome to walk to and from the church with their child, but please do let your child's teacher know to expect you. We will leave the school straight after morning registration at 9.10am

KS2 Easter Concert – St Andrews Church

We will be holding a concert at St Andrews Church on the evening of 31st March at 6pm for those parents whose children are learning an instrument. Further details will follow.

Family worker sessions

Emily Norman the family worker will be visiting the school on the following dates throughout the remainder of the academic year. Please contact the school office if you wish to book to see her.

Thursday 19th March Wednesday 29th April Tuesday 2nd June Thursday 25th June Wednesday 15th July

KS2 Stibbington Trip

All KS2 will be attending a trip to Stibbington over the various dates above depending on their class. Please could you ensure you have paid for the trip by **midnight tonight** when the booking system closes.

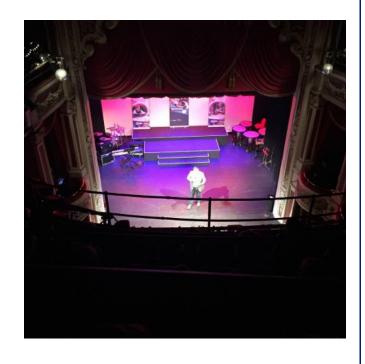
Payment is online only, however if you are having any online payment problems, please do let the office know.

New academic year dates

Paper copies of the dates for the new academic year 2020/21 have been sent home to all families in paper copy. If you need a further copy, this is available on the school website at www.sutton.cambs.sch.uk, MCAS or Class Dojo.

<u>Primary Proms – Tuesday 3rd March</u>

44 KS2 pupils and 5 adults had the opportunity to go to the New Theatre Royal in Lincoln to watch the Primary Proms. All of the performances were by young people and were hugely varied, including an all-girl drum group, strings and singing. After this we went to the International Bomber Command Centre where we learnt about Bomber Command and all they did during the war. There is also a memorial to those who died, including a spire and walls of names of those who died. Everybody enjoyed the visit, except maybe the long coach journey home.



Church Farm – Tuesday 3rd March

On Tuesday 3rd March KS1 visited Church Farm at Stow Bardolph. Everyone had a wonderful time visiting the sheep and piglets. The highlight of the day was rolling around with the piglets!

Church Farm commented that they have many school groups visit their farm and usually with school groups they have felt the need to intercept regarding behaviour, however, they were very impressed by the children from Sutton as were the bus company. Everyone was very well behaved from the school.

We would also like to thank all the parent helpers for their assistance on the day.

World Book Day – Thursday 4th March

The children looked fabulous for World Book Day. We are so pleased so many different characters from their favourite books. Every child should have come home with a new book after the book swap, however if your child did not, please do let your child's teacher know.

The winners of the unusual Places to Read were announced in Collective worship, together with other prize giving achievements such as best class book corner. Well done to Zircon class! We were also delighted to see so many parents coming into school to share stories with the children.

Online Payments

We are no longer accepting cash for school dinners or trips. If you still require an MCAS log in, please do contact the office. We are seeing record numbers of users logging in and using the online payment function. Whilst there have been a few issues with the online payment for trips, we are still liaising with Bromcom to iron these out.

If you do experience any issues with MCAS, please do inform the office so we are aware whether they are stand-alone log in issues, or more widespread. This will allow the office to rectify the problems where possible, or to escalate them to the correct technical department within Bromcom.

Best wishes,

Mrs Emily Gore-Rowe

Headteacher