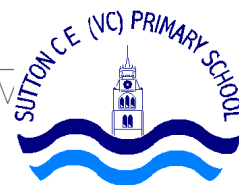


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Symbol of hope competition

In Google Classroom on 12th February we shared a video asking for children to design a 'symbol of hope' that could be displayed in our reflection area windows that we are just in the process of developing—benches and planters have arrived, following designs that children previously submitted, so we are looking forward to seeing this take shape. The deadline for children to submit their symbol of hope designs is **5th March** and we cannot wait to give children the chance to be part of a lasting legacy at the school. We would ask that our Key Stage 2 children avoid the theme of 'rainbows' as we know they can be much, much more creative than this.

BOOK WEEK—1ST MARCH

As Book Week fast approaches, we have lots of exciting and engaging activities for the children to be part of. During the week commencing 1st March, children will be able to listen to pre-recorded stories that are read by members of staff from across the school, create their own book covers, take part in a book maze and even invent their own preposterous plants! Do look out for the 'top 6 reads' to vote for on Google Classroom and on the school website. We hope to share some of the children's achievements with you in next weeks newsletter. Further information can be found in the letter issued to you earlier this week.

Please note that this year we will not be asking children to dress up due to the logistics of parents managing to get costumes.



Staff News

We would like to inform you that Mrs Ingram, who works in the school office, will be leaving us to take up a new role in another setting after 17th March. I am sure that Mrs Ingram is a face who has helped many families at Sutton over the years and we would like to thank her for her work here. We wish Mrs Ingram well for her new venture.

School re-opening from 8th March

Following the Prime Minister's announcement on 22nd February that schools will open to all children on 8th March, we are currently looking at ways in which to plan this with the utmost safety in mind. As you will recall, in preparation for our September re-opening, we provided you with a very detailed letter about what to expect and how you could play your part in ensuring that we return in a safe manner.

We do know that this should not be a time for complacency, so once again it is our intention to issue you with detailed information next week about the return for children on 8th March. This will be based upon our risk assessment, the government guidance and upon the information received from our Local Authority partners. We do not expect much to be different to the September re-opening but please do read the forthcoming communication carefully to ensure you fully understand how to work together with us.

We know that many of you will be worried about how you children will cope with the return, how they will manage expectations of a full time curriculum and indeed understand that some children may return who are mentally affected by not having mixed with others for a long period of time. We wish to assure you that within our plans, we have taken account of this and that we will support the children as fully as possible with the return.

Headteacher roll of honour

Imogen in Emerald Class—Imogen has taken hot-seating to a totally new level! We found out so much about her Disney Princess characters through her careful asking or answering of questions with her mum.

Francis in Turquoise Class—Even though Francis has had some technical issues during home learning, he is always ready to participate in our remote learning lessons and gives 100%. Well done Francis.

Forthcoming Dates

1st March: Book week - please see newsletter information and letter from school

16th March: Parent consultation evening (please see previously circulated letter)

19th March: Red Nose Day (children to wear red, but no noses in school)

25th March: Parent consultation evening (please see previously circulated letter)

29th March to 9th April: EASTER HOLIDAYS

12th April: INSET DAY (school closed to children)

13th April—Children return for the Summer term