



Dates for your Diary

MARCH

- 16th Y2 to Black Country Museum
- 20th Y5 Assembly 9am
- 21st Y3 to Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery
- 22nd FoLSS Easter Discos
- 29th Break up for Easter

APRIL

- 16th School re-opens
- 27th FoLSS Pamper Night

MAY

- 3rd Closed for elections
- 7th Bank Holiday
- 14th SATs week KS2
- 21st SATs week KS1
- 23rd Y6 residential parents meeting 8.15am
- 25th Half term starts

JUNE

- 4th School re-opens
Arts Week
Y4 to Sutton Cricket Club
- 8th Y6 Whitemoor Lakes
- 11th Y5 to Sutton Cricket Club

- 19th Class & team photos
- 20th Y1 Assembly 9am
- 29th Sports Day
- 30th Family Day

JULY

- 4th Secondary School Induction Day *
 - 5th Secondary School Induction Day*
 - 6th Reserve Sports Day
 - 11th Y2 Assembly 9am
 - 12th Parents Open Evening
 - 19th Y6 Leavers' Assembly
 - 19th End of year discos
 - 20th Break up for summer
- * check individual schools

Closures

- 3rd May Voting Day
- 7th May Bank Holiday
- 23rd July Training Day
- 24th July Training Day

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Science Assembly

Last Wednesday, Dr Thomas from the University of Birmingham came into school to deliver two assemblies sharing his current work with our pupils. Recently, Dr Thomas has been to Guatemala where he worked with volcanologists to collect atmospheric measurements from Volcan de Fuego. The children were fascinated to see footage from the inaccessible volcano peaks, recorded by unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) operated by Dr Thomas and his colleagues. It was amazing to see an actual eruption on the video clip - something that, without a drone, would be impossible to see! Dr Thomas explained that his team were measuring the

gases, temperature and humidity of the area, as well as collecting visual and thermal images. Their work aims to improve understanding of volcanic emissions and this data could be used in the future to improve eruption predictions. The children and staff were captivated by the assemblies. Thanks go to Dr Thomas for taking time out of his busy schedule to come and share his work with us- it is really inspiring.

LTE Science Workshop

On Tuesday evening, Year 3 pupils and their parents were invited to attend a science learning evening at Coppice Primary School alongside pupils from Moor Hall and Coppice. It was fantastic to see so many Little Sutton pupils and parents attend the event, which is part of the LTE's development for science. The evening was hosted by Philip Jones from the Physics Factory. This organisation aims to raise children's aspirations and improve their life opportunities by developing confidence in physics. The evening was interactive and fun, where children learnt (amongst other things) about space underwear which contained sodium polyacrylate (a very absorbent, powdery chemical), how to balance a helium balloon in mid-air and how to prevent an egg from breaking. Pupils were also given the exciting opportunity to ride across the hall on a hover board which was propelled by a leaf blower. Mr Jones concluded the evening by explaining how the world would be completely different by the time Year 3 are in old age - there could be a space elevator and all cars would probably be driverless by then! He encouraged the children to take a keen interest in science and parents to encourage this for their children's future life opportunities.

Reminders

We are very keen to maintain our high standards in school uniform. May I remind you that children should wear black school shoes and not trainers or boots. Nail varnish and jewellery should not be worn but watches are permitted. Please also avoid large decorative hairbands.

We are trying to encourage our children to take responsibility for looking after their belongings as school uniform is expensive and we want to ensure that misplaced items can be returned easily. We have a constant high volume of lost property and to help this problem we are asking that all uniform is clearly labelled, including jumpers, cardigans, coats, shoes, bags, PE kit and lunch bottles. Thank you.

This Week's Headlines

Y2 Visit to Black Country Museum—Year 2 have visited the Black Country Museum today. We look forward to hearing all about it on next week's newsletter.

Y5 Year Group Assembly—Year 5 are looking forward to welcoming their parents into school next Tuesday 20th March at 9am for their Year Group Assembly.

Quiz Club—This will take place on Monday 19th March in Johnson Hall and we are entering two teams. We wish them the very best of luck and we will let you know how they get on in next week's newsletter.

Y5 Netball tournament—This takes place on Saturday and we wish our team every success.

Y6 Rock of Ages—Y6 will be walking to Arthur Terry on Tuesday 20th March to see Arthur Terry's production of 'Rock of Ages'. They will arrive back at school at approximately 4.30pm.

Easter Discos—These take place on Thursday 22nd March. Please see overleaf for details.



SCHOOL MEMBER

Menu for Next Week

In addition, there is a salad / fruit bar and a basket of crusty bread available. Please note that choices may vary slightly due to circumstances beyond our control.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Curry Haddock grill Fish fingers Pizza Jacket potato *	Chicken pie Chicken fillets Fish fingers Cheesy pasta Jacket potato *	Lasagne Veggie lasagne Chicken fillets Fish fingers Jacket potato *	Roast turkey Fish fingers Cheese flan Baguettes/wraps Jacket potato *	Meatballs Fish crunchy Veggie sausage Veggie meatballs Jacket potato *
Rice New potatoes *	New potatoes Pasta *	Pasta Garlic bread *	Mashed potato Roast potatoes *	Pasta Mashed potato *
Sweetcorn Peas Baked beans *	Carrots Sweetcorn Baked beans *	Sweetcorn Green beans Baked beans *	Carrots Broccoli Baked beans *	Cauliflower Sweetcorn Baked beans *
Iced flapjack Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Iced sponge Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Apple crumble Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Shortbread Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Muffin Yoghurt Fresh fruit



Woodland Learning

This week 20 of our reception children started their 4 week rotation of woodland learning. The children explored the wood and collected different interesting objects in their baskets. They talked about what they had collected and why they chose them. They then sorted the objects into groups. The children really enjoyed their first experience of 'woodland learning'.

Sports Report

After a bitterly cold winter, the sports schedule was back in full swing with the return of the cross country season. Several brave children volunteered for 1.2 mile race around Bishop Vesey playing fields. Mr Smith was especially proud of the Year 4 children who volunteered to take part and gave their Year 5 and 6 competitors a run for their money. After a long and fast paced race, Little Sutton had two girls and one boy finish in the top ten in their respective races. As the Summer approaches there will be many more opportunities for children to take part in sporting events.

NSPCC Workshop

On Monday morning, Years 5 and 6 were visited by representatives of the NSPCC. Following on from an assembly the previous week, the children were lucky enough to receive a workshop in their classrooms. During the sessions, they sang songs and discussed the ways in which the NSPCC could help them if they ever needed it and the importance of letting a trusted adult know when they are upset or sad. Their favourite part of the morning came when they all got to meet Buddy again. Thank you to the NSPCC for coming into school to discuss such important issues.

E-Safety Tip of the Week

From connecting to free WIFI hotspots to pension fraud to password advice, this website can provide useful information for protecting yourself in this digital age : <https://www.getsafeonline.org/protecting-yourself/>

Parking

On Tuesday the police were patrolling outside school to note any illegal parking. They will be making spot checks periodically and have said that they will issue fines. Please remember not to park on the zig-zags, double yellow lines, on junctions or across drives. Please also refrain from driving up onto curbs or pavements. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Safeguarding

A reminder that if you ever have a concern about the safety or well-being of one of our children, please report this to our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Davis, or to Mrs Whittaker or Mrs Arkinstall, our Deputy DSLs.

The word of the month is
concealed

This Week's Awards

This week the following awards were presented in Celebration Assembly:

Lunchtime Award— 2CH & 4SA
Classroom Awards— RMF & 3TV
Attendance— 1JF with 100 %
Overall Attendance— 97.4%
Annual Attendance Target— 97%
Respect Award— 1JS & 4SA
House Award— Drake with 378 points

Congratulations to the following children who received awards in Celebration Assembly — Harry YR, Amelia Y1, Dexter Y2, JJ Y3, Hayden Y4, Kiera Y5 & Keaton Y6.

FoLSS Update

With Spring just around the corner (hopefully!), we are busy organising our Easter activities. Your continuing support for our fundraising events really does make a huge difference to the learning opportunities of our children, so thank you in advance.

Easter Discos - Thursday 22nd March. Reception & KS1 - 6-7pm. KS2 7.15-8.30pm. £1.50 entry. More details in book bags.

Easter Egg Competition - Wednesday 28th March (Deadline 8.45am - £1 per entry) Prizes for both KS1 & KS2 - get your thinking caps on for original ideas!

Easter Coffee Morning & Bake Sale - Thursday 29th March 8.45-10pm Join us for a peaceful cuppa & a slice of cake after morning drop off. All welcome! We would be grateful for donations of cakes, homemade or shop bought! Remaining cakes will be sold for 50p each to the children at break time.

We are busy collating an **Easter Chocolate Hamper** to raffle. We would be very grateful if you might consider sending a small egg or other Easter goody into school to help us in our quest.