



# LITTLE SUTTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

DESIGNATED NATIONAL LEAD SCHOOL

FRIDAY 8TH JUNE 2018

## Dates for your Diary

### JUNE

- 8th Y6 Residential
- 11th Y5 to Cricket
- 11th Phonics week KS1
- 12th Reception 2018  
Activity afternoon
- 19th Class & team photos
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Activity afternoon
- 20th Y1 Assembly 9am
- 27th Y6 Trip
- 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

### SEPTEMBER

- 5th Term begins
- \* please check with individual schools as dates may vary

## Closures

- 23rd July Training Day
- 24th July Training Day
- 3rd Sept Training Day
- 4th Sept Training Day

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## Arts Week

What a fantastic week this has been, celebrating the Arts! As you may be aware the school holds the prestigious Gold Artsmark Award and the Arts are very important to us. During this special week, the children have taken part in a range of exciting activities on the theme of Mental Health.

In **Reception** the children participated in a variety of workshops including music, Relax Kids, yoga, Messy Church, dance and Little Red Hen story telling. The children have also created portraits and decorated smile stones. They had great fun while learning a lot about themselves and the importance of kindness and looking after their mental health.

The children in **Year 1** have been extremely busy this week. They have made framed self-portraits by using tissue paper and oil pastels to add colour to an outline of each child's face. The pupils also took part in many different exciting workshops centred on music, mindfulness and art; they were even lucky enough to experience a visit from the animal man! All of the children have enjoyed this week immensely and now appreciate the importance of mental health and kindness.

**Year 2** have created Julian Opie influenced portraits. They began by collaging a background of all the things that make them happy and have special meaning for them. Their Opie portraits were made by carefully tracing and using watercolour paints. They also attended a mindfulness workshop, where they learned to relax, accept compliments and appreciate the smaller things in life. The children found this extremely enjoyable and relaxing.

**Year 3** have participated in lots of wonderful activities this week. These have include designing and decorating portraits in the style of Romero Britto, using vibrant colours and patterns to create stunning visual pieces in addition to creating smile stones. The children are looking forward to taking these home and hiding them for others to find. They have also enjoyed Messy Church and singing workshops and a mindfulness session with Relax Kids, which both children and adults enjoyed. In addition they had a food-tasting experience in preparation for making healthy salads next week. Most importantly, they have learned lots of ways to keep their minds and bodies healthy and had lots of fun!

**Year 4** have had an exciting and action-packed Arts Week. It began with the Cricket Festival at Sutton Cricket Club where the children enjoyed competing against other local schools. Year 4 showed great team work and sportsmanship and had a brilliant time. On Tuesday 4KP rehearsed and performed a 'play in a day' with the Konflux Theatre Company and on Thursday it was 4SA's turn. The play was entitled 'Take a Deep Breath' and allowed the children to share their understanding of mindfulness and meditation with their parents and the rest of the school. It was most impressive to see the children perform the play under such time pressure, they did a fantastic job! Year 4 also participated in a relaxing Mindfulness session exploring movement and massage as a way of de-stressing and a workshop with Messy Church, focusing on how everyone is important and special. The children also ran a mile around the field, as exercise is something that can really help to alleviate anxiety and stress. Finally, the children produced some fantastic self portraits assisted by Mrs Hobbs.

**Year 5** have had a wonderful Arts week. They have taken part in numerous activities such as Messy Church, yoga and running a mile everyday. Wednesday was a fun day with a trip to the Barber Institute where the children learnt about different types of art with the focus on the emotion that both portraits and landscapes portrayed. Children have also painted canvas portraits of themselves in the style of Elmo Hood, using stencils to map out words that make them happy and unique. They couldn't wait to show them off in the Art Gallery on Thursday.



**Year 6** have been very busy throughout the week, creating self portraits in the style of Julian Opie. After 'thought showering' their positive qualities, they added these as a border for their artwork. They have also been learning relaxation techniques and enjoyed creating smile stones. On Tuesday they had a dance workshop with Mrs Swann, with lots of endorphins being released to the tune of Happy. They ended the day with a musical session with Mr Jefferies. Messy Church began the next day, where they created edible sheep after watching the story Lost and Found. Thursday was filming day, where they planned and filmed their version "Happy" to be used as part of their leavers' assembly. Also, groups went out with Mr Arkinstall to create and film a DVD about what makes us happy. As you can imagine, it was a very action packed day and exciting day.

The children are very proud of the work they have completed this week, a high standard of artwork has been achieved along with the profile of Mental Health not only being raised, but strategies provided to enable the children to cope with the complex world we live in. Our thanks go to all the outside providers who led our workshops and to Mrs Arkinstall for her hard work in organising such a inspirational week.

### 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 Pizza Jacket potato * Rice New potatoes * Sweetcorn Peas Baked beans * Flapjack Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Chicken pie Chicken fillets Fish fingers Cheesy pasta Jacket potato * New potatoes Pasta * Carrots Sweetcorn Baked beans * Iced sponge Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Lasagne Veggie Lasagne Chicken fillets Fish fingers Jacket potato * Pasta Garlic Bread * Sweetcorn Green beans Baked beans * Apple crumble Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Roast turkey Fish fingers Cheese flan Baguettes / wraps Jacket potato * Roast potatoes Mashed potato * Carrots Broccoli Baked beans * Shortbread Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Meatballs Veg meatballs Veg sausages Fish crunchy Jacket potato * Pasta Mashed potato * Cauliflower Sweetcorn Baked beans * Muffin Yoghurt Fresh fruit

### Thank You

Elliot in Year 5 would like to pass on the following message—

“Thank you very much to everyone at school who sponsored me in the Great Midlands Fun Run and helped me raise over £600 for Prostate Cancer UK.”

Well done Elliot, a great effort for an excellent cause!

### Music Assemblies

A reminder that all the children who have music lessons in school will be performing in an end of year assembly. All parents are welcome and the scheduled dates are as follows:

Wed 13th June 9.30am Guitar  
Fri 22nd June 9.15am Ukulele & Brass  
Tues 26th June 9.15am Piano  
Wed 27th June 2.50pm Cello, Double Bass & String Orchestra  
Thurs 28th June 9.15am Violin  
Mon 9th July 9.15am Woodwind

All of Year 4 have been learning to play the flute this year under a whole class initiative which we buy from the Birmingham Music Service. They will be performing for their parents on Tuesday 3rd July at 3pm, all welcome.

### Y5 Visit to Barber Institute



Year 5 had a great half day trip to the Barber Institute at the University of Birmingham on Wednesday. They were shown around by a guide who looked at different pieces of artwork through time both portraits and landscapes, with the particular emphasis on the emotion that the picture portrayed, both on the faces of the subjects in the portraits

and the colours and techniques used in the landscapes. The children then had the opportunity to create their own poly block print by carving an emotion and patterns into a polystyrene tile and then printing it onto a piece of paper. Overall they had a fantastic day, well done Year 5 you were great ambassadors for the school.

### Music Tuition in School

A letter has now been sent out inviting applications for instrumental tuition in school, commencing in September. Please return the reply slip no later than Monday 11th June if you would like your child to be considered. Please return the slip even if you think you might be on a teacher's waiting list so that we do not miss anyone. Children will be seen by the teachers during the first two weeks of the new year and parents will then be informed which instrument they have been allocated.

### E-Safety Tip of the Week

100 million users watch other people play games online each month, via Twitch.tv a live streaming site for gamers. Whilst the risks of viewing others play games may seem low, the game content may not be age appropriate. The service offers a live chat stream which poses additional risks as the content may not be appropriate or moderated prior to viewing.

### Footie School Academy

Coming soon to Footie School Academy our new age 3-5 mini kickers  
To book or more info please contact [footieschoolacademy@gmail.com](mailto:footieschoolacademy@gmail.com)

### This Week's Headlines

**Y6 Residential**—A very excited Y6 set off today for their residential activity weekend. We hope that they have an amazing time, that the weather is kind to them and look forward to hearing all about it in next week's newsletter.

**Year 3 Stone Age Day**—Year 3 are very much looking forward to their Stone Age Day on Wednesday 13th June. This will introduce their History topic on the period and the day will consist of a variety of exciting activities.

**Reception Activity Afternoon**— This takes place on Tuesday 12th June at 1.30pm. This is for some of the children who will be joining our Reception classes in September.

### Let's Ride

Let's Ride is a fun, free cycling festival which takes place on Sunday 10th June at 11am in St Martin's Square, Birmingham. There will be music, food, drink, fun and games, face painting and challenges. Roads will be closed for an active, green, family friendly day out. Go to [letsride.co.uk](http://letsride.co.uk) to register.

The word of the month is

**Colossal**