



# LITTLE SUTTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

DESIGNATED NATIONAL LEAD SCHOOL

FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2018

## Dates for your Diary

### OCT

- 17th Y4 to Wolseley Centre
- 17th Y2 to Twycross Zoo
- 22nd Book Fayre
- 23rd Parents' Evening
- 25th Open Morning 9.15
- 25th Y5 Space Sleepover
- 26th Break up half term
- 26th Y5 Space Day

### NOV

- 5th Training Day
- 5th Firework Display
- 6th School reopens to pupils
- 9th Y1 Maths Workshop
- 15th Y5 to Space Centre
- 15th Open evening
- 16th Children in Need
- 23rd Y4 Maths Workshop
- 29th Y5 Literacy Work shop

### DEC

- 7th YR Santa visit
- 11th KS1 Performance
- 12th KS1 performance
- 13th Theatre visit Y1-6
- 18th Y4 Concert 2pm
- 19th Y3 Concert 9am
- 20th Y5/Y6 Concert 2pm
- 21st Break up Christmas

### JAN

- 7th Training Day
- 8th School reopens to pupils

### FEB

- 15th Break up half term
- 25th School reopens

### APRIL

- 12th Break up for Easter
- 29th School reopens to pupils

## Closures

- 5th Nov Training Day
- 7th Jan Training Day
- 6th May Bank Holiday
- 22nd July Training Day

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## Y1 Visit to Birches Valley

On Wednesday, Year 1 visited Birches Valley, Cannock Chase as part of their Science study. The children had the opportunity to build their own shelter using branches and logs; this task involved plenty of initiative, creativity and teamwork. All the pupils participated in this activity with lots of enthusiasm and built some outstanding shelters.

In addition to this, the children also completed a minibeast hunt and observed these creatures in their natural habitat. It was lovely for the children to spend time in such surroundings as it linked in brilliantly with their class work on the four seasons. Ultimately, all of the children showed excellent behaviour and the Cannock Chase staff were very complimentary about their enthusiasm for learning. Well done Year 1!



## Firework Fundraiser

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November Little Sutton will be hosting a firework display. We are delighted to be running the event in conjunction with Good Hope Hospital Charity. The display will be carried out by an award winning company. The gates will open at 5:30pm and the fireworks will begin at 7 pm. There will be hot food available, a licensed bar, fairground rides, stalls and a charity raffle.

The cost of the tickets is £4 per adult and £2 per child, under 3's go free. If you would like to purchase tickets then please complete the slip at the bottom of the letter which will be sent home soon.

We look forward to seeing you at this new fundraising event. It will be a ticket only occasion and we have a capacity number we have to strictly adhere to. As we are expecting a high demand for tickets, please order yours in plenty of time to avoid disappointment.

This event will require a number of volunteers, so if you are able to help in any way by either on a stall or with marshalling, then please get in touch. Thank you.

## Wooded Area



On Sunday, we held our first working party to begin to develop the wooded area on our school site. Around fifty parents, grandparents, staff, pupils and ex-pupils came to help with our exciting new venture and it was a great success! Danny, a ranger from Sutton Park led the session and briefed all of the volunteers on our mission. First of all, he equipped everyone with gardening gloves and provided different types of saws, loppers, rakes and pruning devices for us to use. Next, he used some tape to plot a route for our pathway and explained we would be making a maze with 'dead ends', shelters and areas for planting wild

flowers. Before long, everyone was busy working hard to clear the areas, with some people collecting dead wood to line the path and prevent the brambles overtaking the ground. Others used loppers to prune the foliage and rakes to clear the route. It was fantastic to see so many people volunteering and working so hard together. At 11:30am, we stopped for some refreshments and everyone felt pleased that, already, we had made such a difference. As you can see from the pictures, the area is now much more accessible for the children to use and is a better use of the space. There has been great excitement about its future use, with staff already planning lesson opportunities. We will be having another working party before Christmas to continue with our plans. Danny has suggested creating a circular seating area with the possibility of a fire pit in the future and will be returning to prune some of the branches that are overhanging into our neighbour's gardens. Thank you to everyone who kindly gave up part of their Sunday to help and for working so hard in order for us to fulfil our dream of having an accessible, interesting and useful wooded area.

## This Week's Headlines

**Y3 Literacy Workshop**—Unfortunately it has been necessary to change the date of the Y3 Literacy Workshop. This will now take place on Tuesday 13th November. We apologise for the short notice and for any inconvenience caused.



### Menu for Next Week

In addition, there is a salad / fruit bar and a basket of crusty bread available. Please note that the choices may vary slightly due to circumstances beyond our control. Every week we add taster pots and additional items to the menu to encourage children to try different foods.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Curry Fish crunch Pizza Fish fingers Jacket potato * Rice New potatoes * Sweetcorn Peas Baked beans * Flapjack Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Chicken meat-balls Veggie meat-balls Fish fingers Cheese pasta Jacket potato * Pasta New potatoes * Sweetcorn Carrots * Iced sponge Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Bolognaise Veg bolognaise Chicken fillets Fish fingers * Spaghetti Garlic bread * Sweetcorn Mixed veg Baked beans * Apple crumble Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Roast lamb Fish fingers Cheese flan Baguettes / wraps Jacket potato * Roast potatoes Mashed potato * Carrots Broccoli Baked beans * Cookies Yoghurt Fresh fruit	Pork sausage Veggie sausage Chicken fillets Lemon sole grill Jacket potato * Pasta Mashed potatoes * Sweetcorn Broccoli Baked beans * Rice pudding Yoghurt Fresh fruit

### Indonesia Collection

Today we held a cake sale and collection in aid of the disaster appeal for Indonesia. I'm sure we have all been shocked by the devastation caused by the recent earthquake and tsunami. The children covered a map in their classroom with coins. We will be continuing this next week so there is still time to donate if you would like to. Thank you to everyone who has already sent in contributions towards this important cause.

### Training Day

Please note that the next training day will take place on Monday 5th November and school will be closed to pupils.



### Hope for Sutton Project

On Thursday afternoon some of the pupils from our school choir took part in a special performance for the 'Hope for Sutton Project' at St James Church. The Project, founded by Reverend Daniel, was created after discovering that Sutton Coldfield has the highest dementia rate in Birmingham. As a result, the church have launched a Dementia Café Luncheon Club which gives those living with dementia a chance to meet and socialise with others.

To further raise awareness of this important initiative, the school choir performed two songs one including the 'Hope for Sutton Song' co-written by Andrew Clayton, Director of Music at St James Church and world-famous guitarist Gordon Giltrap, composed especially for the occasion. The children performed the song beautifully. This special event was also attended by the Mayor and Bishop of Birmingham. The children also received a special thank

you card from Andrew too. If you would like to learn more about this great project or hear the songs please view the QR code.



### E-Safety Tip of the Week

When you log onto a site or app with your social media account such as your Facebook or Google username and password, you may be agreeing to share information from your social media profile. Read the fine print to know what you're sharing and giving the 3rd party access to. If possible edit the lists so you are only sharing what is necessary. Even if you limit what's shared, your social network will continue to track your behaviour through the apps and possibly target you with advertising based on your trends.

### Baptist Church Holiday Club

Sutton Baptist Church are again running a holiday club from Tuesday 30th October to Friday 2nd Nov from 9.45am to 12.30pm at a cost of £12 per child. The theme is 'Back to the Beginning' and there will be lots of fun activities. Application forms have been sent out with all the children today.

### This Week's Awards

This week the following awards were presented in Celebration Assembly:

Lunchtime Behaviour Award— 2CH & 3SA  
Classroom Awards— 1JS & 5AL  
Winning House— Scott with 1033 points  
Attendance— 2CH with 100%  
Overall Attendance— 97.93%  
Annual Attendance Target—97%  
Respect Award— 1JS & 4TV

Congratulations to the following children who received awards in Celebration Assembly— Renee Y1, Taiga Y2, Eva-Mae Y3, Jack Y4, Autumn Y5 & Ali Y6.