

# Sutton St James CP School

## Weekly Update

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### Reminders:

- ◆ Friday 4th December—Christmas Fair
- ◆ Monday 7th December—Christingle, 6pm
- ◆ Wednesday 9th December—Wrens and Swallows Nativity, 6pm
- ◆ Thursday 10th December—Wrens and Swallows Nativity, 2pm
- ◆ Thursday 10th December—Christmas carol singing around the village, 5.30pm
- ◆ Monday 14th December—Pantomime
- ◆ Monday 14th December—Carol concert at the Baptist Church
- ◆ Tuesday 15th December—Christmas Parties in school
- ◆ Tuesday 15th December—PTA disco, 6.30pm
- ◆ Wednesday 16th December—Christmas Lunch for parents
- ◆ Friday 18th December—Frozen Sing-along
- ◆ Tuesday 9th February—Open Morning
- ◆ Thursday 11th February—Year 5 SATs and 11+ meeting, 6pm
- ◆ Thursday 25th February—Parents Evening
- ◆ Thursday 24th March—Easter Extravaganza
- ◆ Monday 23rd May—Open Morning
- ◆ Friday 10th June—Sports Day and Picnic
- ◆ Saturday 18th June—Summer Fair

### Term Dates 2015/16

- Term 2** Monday 2nd November—Thursday 17th December
- Term 3** Tuesday 5th January—Friday 12th February
- Term 4** Monday 22nd February—Thursday 24th March
- Term 5** Tuesday 12th April—Friday 27th May
- Term 6** Monday 6th June—Thursday 21st July

### Anti-Bullying Day

On Friday 12th November the whole school took part in anti-bullying day. All children worked on activities to do with raising awareness of what bullying is and how to keep themselves and their friends safe from it. Some children from Herons and Owls worked with Mr Barnett producing a play which they performed at the end of the school day to the rest of the school. This play had a similar theme to the other activities done by the children during the day, tackling the issue of bullying and what to do about it.

The children enjoyed the activities that they did and have a good understanding that bullying is regular and continuous verbal or physical abuse. The older children also learned about cyber bullying and how to keep themselves safe online. Thank you to all of the children that dressed in blue for the day to show their support for anti-bullying day.



### Assessment without Levels Meeting for Parents

A big thank you to the parents that came to the meeting on Monday 23rd November about assessment without levels. There have been lots of changes both to the National Curriculum, expectation of children and the ways in which schools are expected to assess children and report this to parents. The meeting covered all of these areas and also explained the changes that will be happening in maths after Christmas. We hope that the parents that attended found the meeting informative and helped them to understand the changes and what we will be doing as a school from now on. We are all confident that the system that we have in place will ensure that all children are taught at a level appropriate for them and that all children will be suitably challenged. As with all new systems, this will be periodically reviewed and adapted as necessary. Thank you for your support with these changes.

### Christmas Fair

A huge thank you goes to all of the parents that supported the PTA by sending their child into school in non-uniform on Thursday with a donation for the Christmas Fair. We are all looking forward to next Friday when Father Christmas will be visiting the school and the PTA will be working very hard to raise as much money as they can to benefit and enrich the curriculum for the children at our school. Please try to make sure that you come along and support the school on Friday 4th December and bring all of your family and friends along with you to have lots of fun and so that we raise as much money as we can!



### Term Dates for the next academic year

Please make a note of the term dates for the next academic year so that you ensure that you **DO NOT** book a holiday during term time. Thank you.

Term 1—5th Sep—21st Oct 2016, Term 2—1st Nov—20th Dec 2016, Term 3—4th Jan—10th Feb 2017, Term 4—20th Feb—31st March 2017, Term 5—18th April—26th May 2017, Term 6—5th June—19th July 2017

### Christmas Lunch

Please ensure that you have ordered and returned your Christmas Lunch order if you would like to have Christmas lunch with your child in school. This is a lovely day to spend in school with the children and feedback from last year was all very positive. We hope that it will be just as popular this year and look forward to seeing lots of you in school on this day.



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