('Love your neighbour as yourself,' Mark 12:31)

Sutton CE VC Infant School



Grasshoppers Class



Welcome to Spring Term 2024

Welcome to a new year and a new term. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas with your families.

We have a full and exciting term ahead of us and I am looking forward to watching everybody continue to grow and fly in all that they do.

Our Curriculum Spring 2024

CUSP Reading

- The Quangle Wangle's Hat Edward Lear
- Coming to England
- The Street Beneath My Feet
- Rhythm of the Rain
- Little People Big Dreams

CUSP Writing

- Poetry on a theme (humorous)
- Non-chronological reports
- Formal invitations
- Stories from other cultures
- Recount from personal experience

White Rose Maths

- Multiplication
- Division
- Money
- Fractions

CUSP Science

- Uses of everyday materials
- Revisit Living things and their habitats/ materials

CUSP Art and Design

- Printmaking
- Textiles and collage

Computing

- Programming A Moving a robot
- Data and Information Pictograms

CUSP Design and Technology

- Mechanisms
- Materials

CUSP Geography

- Compare a small part of the UK to a non-European location – London and Nairobi
- Fieldwork and map skills

CUSP History

 Significant historical events, people, places in our locality

Music

- <u>Instruments</u> Percussion and glockenspiels
- <u>Charanga Unit</u> In the Groove (Blues, Baroque, Latin, Bhangra, Folk, Funk)
 Round and Round (jazz)

PE

- Real Gym (Social)
- Real PE (Creative)

PSHE/RSE

 Living in the Wider World - Group/class rules, looking after the environment, where money comes from

RE

- How do Jewish people celebrate Passover (Pesach)?
- How do Jewish people celebrate Shabbat?

Our teachers

Mrs. Holmes will be our teacher every day, supported by Mrs. Seaton Monday to Tuesday mornings and Miss. Villalba Wednesday – Friday mornings.

Reading and home learning

Our new reading and phonics scheme 'Little Wandle' is now fully embedded, and the children are all enjoying the lessons that they have. This scheme is already showing a great impact on the children's learning in school, and I hope you are seeing a difference at home. Your child will continue to read a book at school for three days (Wednesday to Friday) focussing on decoding, prosody and comprehension, these books will then come home on a Friday for your child to enjoy with you over the coming week. Some children will now move on to 'fluency' reading books, these are chapter books that will last two weeks.

Spelling

We are now beginning to use our new CUSP spelling scheme. This follows on from Little Wandle phonics and will be accessed by children who have completed this phonics scheme of learning. Within CUSP spelling there is some home learning, this will be sent home on a **Friday** to be returned by the following Friday.

Homework

The following homework is set each Friday:

Reading

Spelling – for those who are accessing this.

Maths activity card – these can be recorded in your child' reading record.

Unfortunately, lots of these have not been returned over the past term, resulting in the library of cards being reduced and thus meaning that other children cannot use them.

As and when completed, children can change their reading for pleasure book.

What we need in school every day

- Named book bag with reading book and reading record. <u>It is</u> essential that these are in school every day.
- Named water bottle containing water only please.
- An appropriate coat, hat and gloves. Please name these.
- P.E kit in a named bag, please send this in on a Monday.
- A change of clothes for Forest School in a named bag.
- A named pair of wellies to be left at school.

Milk

If your child would like milk at snack time, please see the office for details on how you can register and pay for this.

Snack

We offer fruit or veg each day at school, however if your child would like to bring in their on healthy snack please supply this in a named container and they can be kept in a box in the classroom.

PE and Forest School

- PE will continue to be on a **Tuesday** for the first half of this term and then on a **Monday** after February half term. Our P.E kit is a white t-shirt (plain or logo), black knee-length shorts, black joggers and trainers (non-marking).
- Forest School will continue to be on a **Wednesday** afternoon with Mrs. Pell. Please remember to send your child in with a long sleeved top, long trousers and wellies. You are welcome to send trainers that you are happy for your child to get muddy. Please also ensure that your child has a woolly hat in the cold weather and a sun hat in warm weather. We will now be sending children home in their Forest School clothes to aid in getting out of school on time. Waterproofs are provided; however, you are welcome to bring your child's personal one if you would like to.
- Please ensure your child is not wearing earrings on these days.

<u>Uniform</u>

A reminder of our school uniform which needs to be worn each day:

- Red Sweatshirt or cardigan (plain or logo)
- White/red polo shirt (plain or logo)
- Grey or black trousers/shorts (not cycling shorts)
- Red gingham dress, grey/black knee length skirt
- White/black socks, grey/black tights
- Black shoes

<u>Footwear</u>

 Please ensure your child always has a named pair of wellies and a pair of trainers in school.

What to do if you have any concerns

I can be contacted at any time via the school office email address office@sutton.norfolk.sch.uk or if you require a longer appointment, I can arrange to meet with you after school to talk through any of your concerns.