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With friendship, trust and kindness, we fly!

September 2025 Newsletter

Message from the Executive Head

Dear families

Welcome back to a new academic year.

I have been really impressed with how well all the children have settled back in. The schools are calm with a buzz of learning throughout. Thank you for ensuring they have all arrived with the equipment they need and ready to learn.

We look forward to a term of wonderful events linked to the curriculum and beyond. You will see we continue to offer a wide range of trips and visitors, to not only support our children's learning but also widen their experiences. Sadly, we have been made aware in the past of a few families stating they will deliberately not pay for these things as they are voluntary. It is important to note that trips cannot go ahead if they run at a loss. We were very close on a number of occasions last year of needing to cancel, which would have been devastating for the children. We recognise that it is not always easy for families to afford the full amount for our trips, so kindly remind you we are happy to discuss a reduced price or payment. You may also wish to contact your parish council who are able to offer financial support. We hope you will all be able to work with us so we can continue to offer these experiences to our wonderful children.

Kind Regards

Natalie Butcher

Executive Head, The Swallowtail Federation

Message from the Senior Teacher

Dear families,

We have had a fabulous first two weeks back and it has been lovely to see all the children happily getting on with their learning and being with their friends.

We have a few things planned for this half term, the first being our wheels night. Both Catfield and Hickling run these events and the children absolutely love them. It is a great time for both the children and parents to get together socially out of school hours. There will be various zones for different wheeled items, with the hall being open for any remote controlled cars. We really hope you will be able to attend this event and support our fundraising for this year.

Sabrina Holmes

Senior teacher; Sutton CE Infant Academy

R.E and D.T Lead Teacher

News

- If you would like access to our school policies, including our updated Privacy Notice these can be found on our school website. [Swallowtail Federation - Policies](#)
- We have made a good start to our fundraising this school year, the raffle we held last week raised us £65.00. Thank you to everyone who took part.
- We raised an amazing £1065 for school fundraising last year; this helped us buy equipment for the children such as sensory cushions, paddling pools and sports equipment. We also purchased a new cooker to help us with our cooking activities, a rug, two gazebos and trike parks. Thank you to everyone who helped us raise this!
- Don't forget to enter your child into the weekly cake raffle. It is £1.00 a ticket and the prize is a yummy cake! If you would like to take part it is drawn every Friday at family worship and tickets can be brought on Parent Mail.
- Can we remind families that all children who have long hair need this tied up at school.

School attendance

Attendance to date for Sutton Infant Academy:

Attendance to date for

Butterflies class: **100%**

Dragonflies class: 97.31%

Well done to **Butterflies** for the highest attendance to date.



Safeguarding

Some links for e-safety:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/digital/5-a-day/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

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Website: www.swallowtailfederation.co.uk

Facebook page – Search for Sutton CEVC Infant School

Diary Dates (all subject to change):

Autumn term 2025

Tuesday 23rd September- Community morning event 9-10am.

Friday 3rd October- Grandparents Day celebration 2.30-3.00pm.

Friday 3rd October- Wheels Night 4.00-5.30pm. Bookable on Parent Mail.

Friday 17th October- Harvest celebration at the church 2.30pm.

Wednesday 15th October- KS1 trip to Strangers Hall.

Tuesday 21st October- EYFS trip to Norwich Cathedral.

Friday 24th October- School individual photos 9.00am.

27th-31st October- Half term, children return to school on Monday 3rd November.

Tuesday 4th November- EYFS and KS1 parent consultations.

Thursday 6th November- Outdoor classroom day. KS1 parent consultations.

Friday 7th November- Remembrance worship 8.50am.

Monday 10th November- Community afternoon event 2.00pm-3.00pm.

Friday 14th November- Flu immunisations 12.30pm-3.00pm.

Friday 21st November- Children in need.

Friday 28th November- Christmas craft morning 9.00-10.00am, parents welcome to attend.

Monday 1st December-Christmas in a box morning (YR-Y2 pupils only)

Monday 1st December- Christingle at 2.30pm.

Monday 8th December- Nativity dress rehearsal

Tuesday 9th December- School Nativity at 2.15pm

Wednesday 10th December- School Nativity at 9.30am.

Thursday 11th December- Christmas jumper day.

Friday 12th December- Children's Christmas quiz and snack 3.20pm-4.20pm.

Tuesday 18th December- Carol signing in the village at 9.30am.

Friday 19th December- Christmas lunch

Friday 19th December- Christmas church service at 2.30pm.

Children break up for Christmas on Friday 19th December and return to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026.