



With friendship, trust and kindness, we fly!

Sutton CE Infant Academy



Caterpillars and Butterflies Class



### Welcome to Spring Term 2026

Happy new year to you all! I hope you had an exciting, restful break and all the winter bugs didn't affect your plans. We have a busy and fun-packed term ahead with our fantastic Reception trip to Gressenhall Museum booked.

#### **Our Curriculum Spring 2025**

##### **Phonics - Reception**

- Recognise and write phonemes: ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, er.
- Read and write words containing the new phonemes, words with double letters e.g. dd, mm, tt, bb, rr, gg, pp, ff. Reading longer words. Words with two or more digraphs, words ending in -ing, compound words, words with s in the middle and words ending with -s/-es.
- Tricky words – was, you, they, my, by, all, are, sure, pure. Review all tricky words taught so far and secure spelling.

##### **Phonics – Pre-School**

- Phonemic awareness focus: Teach children to **identify** initial sounds of words and names of objects. Teach children to **distinguish** different sounds. Teach children to **articulate** sounds correctly – including playing with voice sounds.
- Progression of sounds: m, d, g, o, c, k, e, u, r, h, b, f, l, j.
- Oral blending focus: Teach children to blend a range of words using oral blending.

##### **White Rose Maths – Reception**

- Represent 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
- Subitise 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
- Composition of 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
- 1 more/1 less
- Odd and even
- Doubles to 10
- Measure – Mass, capacity, length, height and time
- 3D shapes
- Patterns

##### **White Rose Maths – Pre-School**

- Show me 1, 2, 3
- Move and label 1, 2, 3
- Explore position and routes
- Explore patterns
- Take and give 1, 2, 3
- Match, talk, push and pull
- Talk about dots
- Compare and sort collections

##### **EYFS CUSP Book Focus**

- Winter
- Astro Girl
- The way back home
- What makes me me?
- I love Chinese New Year (Eva Wong)
- Mr Wolf's Pancakes
- Do baby elephants suck their trunks?
- The good egg
- Rhyming Rabbit
- Spring

#### Our teachers

Mrs. Holmes will be our teacher every day, supported by Miss Villalba with Mrs. Pell teaching forest school.

#### Timings

For our new Caterpillars, your child's sessions will begin at 8.40am, when the bell rings please line up your child at our little blue gate with Butterflies, this is where they will be welcomed in to school from. Morning sessions finish at 11.45am and your child will be dismissed from the school office. If your child is due to have a full day session they will finish at 2.45pm and again be dismissed from the office. If you are paying for wrap around care and collecting from 3.20pm, your child will be dismissed from our little blue gate.

#### What we need in school every day

- Butterflies need their named book bag with reading book and reading record. **It is essential that these are in school every day.**
- Named water bottle
- Spare clothes on pegs for any accidents (inc. underwear and socks), please send these in on a Monday to be kept in school for the week.
- Trainers and welly boots to change into for lunch/play time
- Optional – we invite children to wear slippers in the classroom.
- Please ensure that Butterflies are wearing black school shoes and have trainers within school to change into for playing outside.

#### Uniform

A reminder of our school uniform which needs to be worn each day (from YR):

- 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

A pair of slippers or a change of shoes are needed for inside school. Please also provide a pair of wellies to stay in school at all times.

#### Butterflies P.E

Butterflies will continue to have P.E lessons on a Wednesday afternoon with key stage 1. P.E kits need to be in school on the first day back and will be sent home at the end of each half term.

#### Snack & Lunch

- All lunches must be ordered via the parent app by the Friday prior the week lunch is needed. You can order a few weeks in advance too.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easter</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Snack is available daily and consists of a piece of fruit or vegetable. If your child would like to bring in their own snack, please ensure that it is in a named container, this must be a healthy snack of either fruit, vegetables or crackers.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Areas of EYFS covered through our CUSP book focus:</b></p> <p><b>PSED</b> - Building Relationships, Self-Regulation</p> <p><b>Science</b> - Everyday Materials, Animals including humans</p> <p><b>History</b> - Chronology, Understanding the past through story, Their families, Enquiry, Changes within living Memory, Significant people</p> <p><b>Geography</b> - People and Communities, Seasonal Changes, Place Knowledge, Skills &amp; Fieldwork</p> <p><b>Art &amp; DT</b> - Range of materials, tools and fixings, sculpting</p> <p><b>Music/Drama</b> - Improvise, devise and script drama, adapt, create and sustain a range of roles</p>	<p><u>Forest School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forest School is on <b>Thursday afternoons</b>. Please send your child in to school wearing their forest school clothes on this day.</li> </ul> <p><u>Reading and Home Learning</u></p> <p>We encourage Butterflies to read 3-5 times a week, with 2 house points given for 3 reads.</p> <p>We read the same book three times in school, looking at the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>decoding (using our known phonemes to help us read the words),</li> <li>prosody (using expression)</li> <li>comprehension (understanding of the text).</li> <li></li> </ul> <p>At the end of each week your child will bring home their new book. They have the same book all week to build up their confidence and fluency. The book that they are reading contains the phonemes that they know and therefore should be easily accessible.</p>
<p><b>RSHE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>My relationships</li> <li>My beliefs</li> </ul>	<p>Reading books must be in school every day, unfortunately if your child has not returned their reading book the new one is unable to be issued for home use.</p>
<p><b>RE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Why did Moses receive the 10 commandments?</li> <li>Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?</li> </ul>	<p><u>Trips</u></p> <p>We have planned an exciting trip with Catfield and Hickling for our children this term. As part of our reading and understanding the world curriculum, we will be going to Gressenhall Museum and taking part in their Spring on the farm experience day. More information around costs, timings and what children will need will be coming out in the next few weeks.</p> <p><u>Any other information relevant to your class</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tapestry – Please continue to access your child’s Tapestry account. We share our weekly learning on here and it has been lovely to see the posts that some of you have added too. We share these with the class who love seeing what their friends have been doing at home.</li> <li>Social Media – Please follow our Facebook account. We share upcoming events and learning on here.</li> </ul> <p><u>What to do if you have any concerns</u></p> <p>I can be contacted at any time via the school office email address <a href="mailto:office@sutton.norfolk.sch.uk">office@sutton.norfolk.sch.uk</a></p> <p>I can also arrange to meet with you after school to talk through any of your concerns.</p>