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June 2026 Newsletter

Message from the Executive Head

Dear families

Welcome to the last newsletter of the academic year. As you know, I always like to reflect on all that has happened and the amazing successes across our schools.

Our curriculum continues to go from strength to strength, with excellent outcomes. This has been checked by external advisors who have verified how strong it is.

However, we know the taught curriculum is only one part of a child's education. We are delighted by the extra curricular opportunities we have been able to offer the children this year. This includes Forest School, charity events, federation days, trips and visitors. We hope that your child has stored up a wonderful bank of precious memories to take forward with them.

I continue to be so thankful for the wonderful school communities I have the privilege to work with. Without each and every one of you, we would not have the success you see today.

I look forward to seeing you all at the various end of year events. Don't forget our Arts Festival on 15th July. I wish you all a very happy Summer holiday when it comes!

Kind Regards

Natalie Butcher

Executive Head, The Swallowtail Federation

(Catfield CofE Primary Academy, Hickling CofE Infant Academy, Sutton CofE Infant Academy)

Message from the Senior Teacher

Dear families,

What a hot week it has been! We were very sad to have had to postpone our sports day but felt it was in the interest of the children to do so. We look forward to welcoming you on our rescheduled day next week.

This week we had our 2 transition days which went extremely well, it has been lovely to hear from all the year 2s how they got on in their prospective KS2 classes. The new Butterflies all chose 'jobs' for September and the Dragonflies settled into their new roles too. We can't believe it is nearly the end of the year!

On Tuesday afternoon we appointed our new house and vice captains along with our school councillors for the next academic year. All pupils who put their names forward spoke to their friends about why they thought they should be voted for; they did this with confidence.

Please remember sun cream should be put on your child before they come to school in the morning and they must come with a hat each day too.

Next Tuesday is our EYFS trip to Wroxham Barns, please drop your child off at the gate at 9.45am, staff will be waiting to meet them. Collection is 2pm in the same place.

Sabrina Holmes

Senior teacher and DSL; Sutton CE Infant Academy

EYFS, R.E and D.T Lead Teacher

Swallowtail Federation of Church Schools

Diary Dates (all subject to change):

Summer term

Tuesday 30th June- Reception class trip to Wroxham Barns. Information on ParentMail. Please ensure you book your school packed lunches the day before.

Thursday 2nd July- Sports day from 9.00am.

Thursday 9th July- Forest school session at Hickling Infant Academy. Children to be taken by school minibus.

Monday 13th July- YR2 leavers assembly 2.30-3.30pm. For Year 2 families and children only.

Tuesday 14th July- YR2 Leavers trip to Bewilderwood.

Wednesday 15th July- Swallowtail Arts festival.

Friday 17th July- 9.30-10.00am End of Year church service.

Friday 17th July- End of term water fight, 1.30-3.20pm.

Children break up for summer break on Friday 17th July.

This month's curriculum focus - RE

At Swallowtail, our Religious Education (R.E) curriculum follows the Norfolk Agreed Syllabus and Understanding Christianity, this is on a two-year rolling programme and is covered across all year groups, including our early year's classes. Each year our pupils build upon their knowledge of theology, philosophy and human social sciences, they do this through an enquiry approach where they explore a big question. We explore into a variety of religions and worldviews with Christianity being explored further.

This year we have ensured our pupil's RE curriculum has been enhanced by visiting places of worship and inviting visitors in to school. In October our Early Years classes visited Norwich Cathedral and carried out activities around the Bible story of The Good Shepherd. In the first half of the Spring term, upper key stage 2 invited in a Humanist visitor who talked to them about their worldviews and in March key stage 1 visited both the Synagogue and Norwich Cathedral to find out about these two places of worship. We will continue to build on these enhancements to support our pupil's curriculum.

Across this academic year our pupils have covered and are covering the following areas:

Autumn term		Spring term		Summer term	
Early Years Foundation Stage					
Philosophy	Human social science	Philosophy	Theology	Human social science	Theology
Why do Christians read Bible stories?	How do Christians celebrate Christmas?	Why did Moses receive the 10 commandments?	Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter Garden?	How is a place sacred?	Why is the word ‘God’ so important to Christians?
Christianity	Christianity	Christianity Judaism	Christianity	Christianity Judaism	Christianity
Key stage 1					
Philosophy	Theology	Human social science	Human social science	Theology	
What do my senses tell me about the world of religion and belief?	Why does Christmas matter to Christians?	How do Jewish people celebrate Passover (Pesach)?	How do Christians belong to their faith family?	What do Christians believe God is like?	
Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism	Christianity	Judaism	Christianity	Christianity	
Lower key stage 2					
Human social science	Theology	Philosophy	Theology	Philosophy	
How do people express commitment to religion/worldview in different ways?	What is it like to follow God?	What is philosophy? How do people make moral decisions?	What is the trinity?	What do we mean by the truth? Is seeing believing?	
Judaism, Sikhism, Christianity	Christianity	Philosophy	Christianity	Multi, including Sikh views on God as truth	
Upper key stage 2					
Philosophy	Theology	Human social science	Theology	Philosophy	
Is believing in God reasonable?	What kind of king is Jesus?	How and why does religion bring peace and conflict?	Creation or science: conflicting or complementary?	What can we learn about the world/ knowledge/ meaning of life from the great philosophers?	
Multi, Humanism	Christianity	Multi	Christianity, Humanism	Buddhism, Christianity	

Mrs Holmes- RE lead

This month's curriculum focus – RSE/PSHE

I am pleased to share with you the new, updated guidance for RSHE which will be implemented from September 2026.

Year 4: Coping with grief.

The children will learn about change and loss, including bereavement, the provocation of a range of feelings, grief being a natural response and that everyone can grieve differently.

This new unit has been planned to ensure it is delivered sensitively, providing clear explanations and opportunities for signposting to appropriate support organisations.

Year 6: Deciding what to share online.

The children will learn why social media, apps, computer games and online gaming are age restricted. Understanding the reasons behind restrictions and the risks of engaging too early.

Year 3: Asking for help

The children will develop an understanding of how to ask for advice or help for themselves or others including the promotion of continuing to try asking until their voice is heard.

Year 5: The facts about smoking and vaping

The children will learn about the harm of cigarettes and vapes and understand why people choose to smoke and vape.

Year 6: The impact of smoking

The children will develop an understanding of the impact that smoking and vaping had on the human body.

Mrs Blake- RSE/PHSE lead

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Facebook page – Search for Sutton CEVC Infant School

Safeguarding

Some links for e-safety:

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

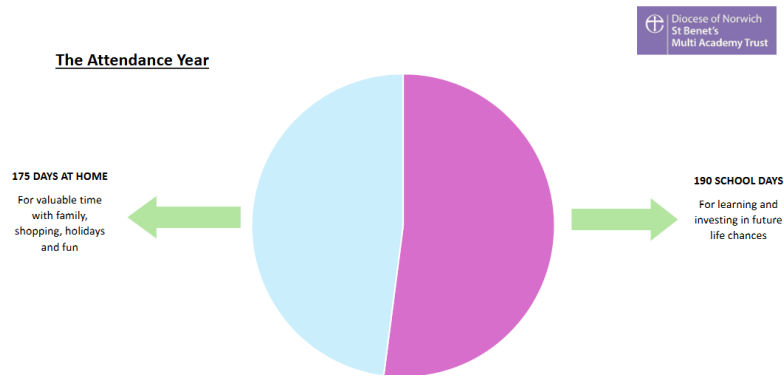
<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/digital/5-a-day/> <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

School attendance

Attendance to date for Sutton Infant Academy

Butterflies class: **89.81%**

Dragonflies class: **95.13%**



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- Don't forget our weekly cake raffle, entries can be made on Parent Mail. It costs £1.00 per entry.
- Wraparound Care- wraparound bookings (including breakfast club) must be booked at least a week in advance and the office must be informed directly of your booking. Once booked please email the school office on office@sutton.stbenets.org with your booking dates. If you need a last-minute booking, please ensure you call the school office directly, if children arrive at school without contacting the school first, we may be unable to accept your children due to staffing.
- As the weather is warming can we please ask that families ensure children have had sun cream applied before they come to school. Can children also ensure they bring in a named water bottle, named suncream and named sunhat.
- Swallowtail Arts Festival- Is being held at Catfield Primary Academy on Wednesday 15th July between 5.00pm-7.00pm. The children's art work is available to view from 5.00-6.00pm and the children who have been attending the dance and signing clubs will be performing from 6.00pm-7.00pm. Families are welcome to bring picnics, chairs and picnic blankets to the show.