

Sutton Valence Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a very busy and successful autumn term, I would like to reflect on what has been a truly wonderful few weeks at school. It has been a great term, filled with fantastic learning opportunities and memorable experiences for our pupils. Both key stages delighted us with their amazing Christmas performances, which showcased the children's confidence, talent and hard work. Several classes also enjoyed enriching school trips, our Christmas lunch were thoroughly enjoyed by all, and we are extremely grateful to the PTFA for organising such incredible events throughout the term.

Looking ahead to the new year, we will be welcoming Mr Hyett full time as our Interim Headteacher, and I will be returning to my role as Acting Deputy Headteacher. We are both excited about working together and continuing to drive the school forward. I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank staff, pupils, parents and governors for their continued hard work, support and encouragement during my time leading the school — it has been a real privilege.

We would also like to wish Miss Brigden all the very best as she begins her maternity leave on 5th January.

Finally, on behalf of everyone at school, I would like to wish you all a very happy and restful Christmas. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new year.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Vieira

Christmas Festivities At School

The staff and children have had a very busy couple of weeks with lots of different Christmas Festivities at school. Below are some photo's from the last couple of week's.

I hope you all have a lovely festive break.



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Behaviour updates

Please find below adjustments to behaviour



BAND 1	BAND 2	BAND 3	BAND 4	BAND 5
Making bad choices / Not being ready E.g. - Pushing in the line - Calfing out - Inappropriate noises - Low level disruption - Rocking on chair - Misuse of fidget toys	Carry on making bad choices	Carry on making bad choices Not being respectful E.g. - Teasing/ Name calling/ Antagonising - Talking over an adult - Lying - Refusal to follow instructions - Avoiding work deliberately - Restricting others learning - Leaving class without asking - Being rude to others - Swearing inadvertently	Carry on making bad choices Not being safe E.g. - Infringements of online safety policy (including sharing of usernames and passwords) - Spitting - Rough play	Severe Behaviour E.g. - Physical violence - Racist / Homophobic behaviour - Bullying - Deliberate damage to school property / vandalism / Graffiti - Threatening/ Aggressive behavior - Stealing - Swearing intentionally at someone
Verbal warning and correct behaviour modelled	Time out (in-class)	Time out (out of class)/ Missing some playtime (5 mins) Reflection time with a senior teacher Parent informed (class teacher)	I must put things right Time out (out of class) and/or stay in at playtime (10 mins KS1 15 mins KS2) Parent informed (class teacher)	Loss of free time or Internal / External suspension at the discretion of the headteacher. Parent informed* (class teacher) *DfT to inform parent regarding suspensions

N.B- Wearing non-uniform items, forgetting items or bringing in prohibited items- a slip to be sent home to parents. 3 slips in a term- meet with parents about impact of not having/ bring in items has

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PTFA Events — Behaviour

Following recent events, the following will be added into our schools behaviour policy regarding PTFA events:

Unacceptable behaviours:

- Physical harm
- Threatening behaviour to peers
- Threatening / aggressive towards adults
- Safeguarding concerns

If one of the above behaviours occurs, the following will happen:

- Parent called to collect child from event
- The child may be unable to attend future events — on HT/DHT discretion in discussion with PTFA

There will be a member of staff present at each event who will be responsible for implementing the above procedure.

We value your voice!

This term, we are inviting parents and carers to complete a short questionnaire to help us better understand what we are doing well and where we can continue to improve. Your feedback plays an important role in shaping our school community and supporting the best possible outcomes for our students. The questionnaire will take only a few minutes to complete. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with us.

Please take the time to complete the following parent survey:

<https://forms.office.com/e/svRFRSVLhA>

Thank you,
Mr Hyett & Mrs Vieira

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Notices

- Please can we ask that you make use of the whole drive during drop off in the morning. This is to make sure the flow of traffic continues, the main road doesn't get clogged up with traffic and more children are able to exit their cars in one go. If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, you are still able to drop them off at the end of the drive and an adult will be there to ensure your child walks to the KS1 and Reception gate.
- **Please can we remind you to use the paths around school and NOT walk on the drive at drop off or pick up.**
- Please can we remind you to park at the village hall and walk down when picking your child/ren up from school. Thank you to all those who do this already, it is greatly appreciated.
- Parents and Carers should only be parking up in the school car park if you are collecting your child/ren from wraparound care.
- Please can we remind you to enter and exit the village hall car park using the correct entrance and exit.
- Please be mindful about parking when not using the village hall car park. Avoid parking on other people's driveways, or parking so paths are blocked as children are having to walk in the road.

Key Dates

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Monday 5th January	Return to school	Tuesday 13th January	Sublime Science <i>Whole school</i>
Wednesday 4th February	Y6 WW2 Trip <i>More details to follow</i>	Friday 6th February	Number Day <i>More details to follow</i>
Thursday 12th February	Y1 Leeds Castle Trip <i>More details to follow</i> PTFA Glow Disco	Friday 13th February	Last day of term
Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February	Half Term	Monday 23rd February	Return to school