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Fencing and Gate

You may have noticed that during the half term break we had some new fencing and gates fitted at the side of the nursery playground which adjoins the drive. This was done after parents raised concerns about the height of the existing fence.

From Monday 29th February, the parents/carers of children in our reception and nursery classes, will be able to enter and exit the early years' playground via a gate in the hedge. The gate between the early years' playground and the main school playgrounds will remain locked to prevent the older children playing with the early years' equipment. Therefore, if you are collecting and dropping off an older child, please take them to the other class first and then walk back round to early years.

Easter Service

Our Easter service will take place at St James' Church, Sutton at 1.40pm on Thursday 24th March. I do hope you will be able to come along and join us in this special service. If you are able to walk up to the church with the children at 1.00pm, please let your child's teacher know. Unfortunately, due to lack of space, we are unable to accommodate any younger children at this service.



World Book Day

On Friday March 4th, we will be celebrating World Book Day by asking all the children to come to school dressed as a character from a book.



Year 6 SATs

The Year 6 SATs take place this year during the week beginning 9th May. It is essential that year 6 children are in school during this week as well as in the weeks leading up to the SATs. This ensures they can prepare for the tests as best as possible.

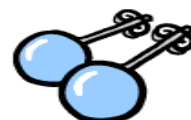
Science Week

The week beginning Monday 14th March is Science Week. During this week all the children will be involved in a number of different science activities.



Reminder re: wearing jewellery

If you consider it necessary for your child to wear jewellery whilst at school please make sure that this is limited to one **small** pair of stud earrings in the lower lobe area and a watch; these must be



removed for health and safety reasons when taking part in PE lessons.



Sandshoes

Could you please ensure that your child's sandshoes are in good order and replace them if need be.

Easter Egg Raffle



From Monday 29th February we will be selling tickets for our Easter Raffle. Prizes will consist of a number of Easter eggs, with one main egg being donated by Dove House Hospice. Raffle tickets are £1 per strip of 5 and are available from the school office or your child can give the money to the teaching assistant in their class. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 24th March and the proceeds will be split between our school funds and Dove House Hospice.

Nursery Places

Do you know of any children that will be aged 3 before 31st March 2016. If so, please let the parent/carer of that child know that we still have places available in our nursery. Contact the school office if you require any information regarding this.



Uniform and PE Kit

Thank you for your continuing support with our uniform and PE policy. Our uniform can be seen on the website or in the entrance to the school. If you would like to order any items of uniform please call at the office. Your child will need trainers for PE when we return after Easter as hopefully all the PE lessons will take place outside.

Reminder re: Co-ordinator

Just a reminder to let you know that our safeguarding and child protection co-ordinator is Miss Strickland. If you have any issues relating to these please contact Miss Strickland who will do what she can to help.

Reminder re: Car Parking



It is imperative that no parent/carer uses the school drive to turn round, drop off or to park. For the sake of the safety of all of the children please do not come onto the school site in your car to drop off or collect your children. This applies before school, at lunchtime and at the end of the day, including following after school clubs. If you have a problem with this arrangement please make an appointment to discuss it with Mrs Daniels as soon as possible.

An invite to the pupils of St James'

Enjoy singing? If you do, you will be most welcome to join the choir at St James Church, Sutton. There is a service every Sunday morning at 10:00 am. Just come around 9:45 am and the service lasts about an hour. Please see Mrs Clohamon at the church or speak to Mrs Fitzpatrick in the school office.

A request to parents

If you have a concern or a worry regarding something that has happened in school or an event/ visit that we are planning, please come and speak to Mrs Daniels about it.

E-Safety and Facebook

We make every effort to ensure the children are safe whilst using the internet at school. Please be aware it is illegal for a child under the age of 14 to have a facebook account. Please ensure that your child is safe when using the internet at home and please do not hesitate to contact us if you want any information/training re: safe use of the internet.

Class Assemblies

Class assemblies will take place this term at 9:00 am on the following dates:

- Year 4 - Wednesday 16th March
- Year 2 - Wednesday 23rd March

New Website

A new website has been launched by the government aimed at parents, teachers and school leaders to give practical advice on protecting young people from extremism and radicalisation. Messages of hate can take many forms, extremism groups use them to recruit young people. Here you will find information to help you understand the issues and protect your child.

www.educateagainsthate.com

DATE	EVENT
Friday 4th March	World Book Day Celebrations
Week beginning 14th March	Science Week
Wednesday 16th March	9.00 am—Year 4 class assembly
Thursday 17th March	Year 1 children visiting the Streetlife Museum
Friday 18th March	Special RE day for all children
Wednesday 23rd March	9.00 am—Year 2 Easter class assembly
Thursday 24th March	Easter Service at St James' Church, Sutton at 1.40 pm School closes for the Easter Holidays
Monday 11th April	Training Day
Tuesday 12th April	School re-opens to pupils