



Guiden Sutton Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parent,

18/02/2022

I cannot believe we are already half way through the academic year! We have achieved so much as well as having a lot of fun along the way, and are definitely ready for a well-deserved break!

Covid-19 cases continue to remain extremely low in school. Thank you to everyone for continuing to follow government guidelines and take LFTs as part of their morning routine. Your communication is key and supports our Admin Team enormously.

GS2 (our before and after school wrap around care provider) has spaces. Please contact Nicky Beesley on 07957 488206 nickybeesley@btinternet.com or Beccy Sullivan on 07850 326213 if you would like further information.

Call in Friday for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents was a great success: Chinese New Year activities, floating boats, dancing with teddies with Hope from House of Dance, maths, sharing of work... the list was endless! Year 3 and Year 4 enjoyed looking at atlases to complete their geography activities and sharing their books with parents. Year 5 and Year 6 taught parents and grandparents what it is like being at the top end of the school by sharing arithmetic tests and their Friday routines. Thank you to everyone who joined us... it was lovely to have you back in school!

World Book Day is on Thursday 3rd March. Rather than dressing up, Mrs. Cawley has launched our 'Recommended Reads' and is asking you to purchase a book from your specific class list through Amazon Prime. At Guiden Sutton, we LOVE anything to do with books and cannot wait to celebrate World Book Day 2022 when we return after half term. If you would like to get involved with a new reading initiative, please contact her by email: ccawley@guildensutton.cheshire.sch.uk

Internet Safety Day was celebrated on Tuesday 8th February. As part of the computing curriculum, the children continued to learn how important it is to stay safe on the internet, when using mobile phones, iPads and computers. They know never to give out private information and if something doesn't feel right (they get a funny tummy) to tell a trusted adult.

Mental Health Week was once again celebrated in February and all children and staff talked about the importance of keeping their hearts and heads in good order! The children have taken part in activities as part of their weekly PSHE sessions.

PLEASE! PLEASE! PLEASE! Park in the village carpark or take advantage of the lighter mornings and improving weather by parking further afield and walk/scoot/bike to school. This also applies to drop off and pick up for GS2 and early morning clubs. There has been a number of residents who have raised concerns over the safety of our children. Let us continue to have positive relationships with our Guiden Sutton community and work together to keep everyone safe!

Well done and congratulations to Mrs. Gould (Jessica in Year 1's mummy) for winning a meal at The Bird in Hand! Keep using our Facebook page to keep up-to-date with our school news!



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Punctuality, registers and absences continue to be a school priority. Please endeavour to arrive at school by 9am as the register is closed by 9:15am: teaching and learning time starts as soon as the children enter the classroom. Our attendance continues to be above the national average: 91.5% so thank you to everyone for continuing to make this a priority. You can report your child's absence by phoning the school office, by email or by using the absence request feature on School Spider stating the reason why.

From 1st March, school dinner registers will **NO** longer be taken by class teachers. Please continue to select your child's school dinner and pay via School Spider. A reminder that the kitchen choice option is the same as the main choice. **Thank you** to everyone for their engagement and supporting this change which has gone remarkable well!

Please pop into school office if you need any help setting this up.

Mrs. Lorna Rahmani - Torkaman (our school ELSA) will be retiring at Easter. She has been instrumental in creating a well-being resource that is available for all our children. Both children and staff have benefitted greatly from having an ELSA in school. I am very pleased to confirm that her work will be continued by Mrs. Anna Jones and Mrs. Olivia Lightfoot-Ward. We all wish her the very best in her retirement and the new role as 'Grandma'!

The boys' football team played two great matches against Mickle Trafford. Their commitment, passion for the game and sportsmanship made everyone very proud! A massive thank you to Mr. Hilsden and Mr. Carlile for organising the matches. We can't wait for the next one!

Parents' Evening is in the diary for Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd March. In response to your feedback, this will be a hybrid model of both Zoom and face-to-face meetings. Please endeavour to be prompt as there is only a 10 minute allocated slot. A Zoom link will be sent out via School Spider to those parents who have selected this as their preferred attendance.

Please look out for a School Spider survey that will help us to further improve our communication. Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete it.

I wish you all a relaxing and well-deserved break whatever you have planned and I look forward to seeing you after half term.

Best wishes,

Theresa Rainford