



Sutton Upon Derwent and Bugthorpe CE Primary Schools



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SPRING TERM 2021

Newsletter 10 – 26/2/2021

The following messages are for both schools:

Returning to School – 8th March @Sutton @Bugthorpe

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone back in to school on Monday 8th March 😊



Secret Headteacher @s... · 11h ...

Don't tell me I'm behind.
Don't tell me I'll be held back for ever.
Don't tell me I need longer at school.
Don't tell me I'm lost.

Tell me I can do it.
Tell me you'll help me.
Tell me you believe in me.
Tell me we'll do it together.

Yours sincerely,

The children.

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I wanted to share the key changes from the updated government guidance (in comparison to our 'School Planning and Logistics Risk Assessment' that we adopted in September):

- Primary school staff to undertake bi-weekly Covid-19 home testing (optional). We currently test ourselves on a Sunday and Wednesday. This helps to identify any possible positive cases, and keep everyone safe.
- In primary schools, we recommend that face coverings should be worn by staff and adult visitors in situations where social distancing between adults is not possible (for example, when moving around in corridors and communal areas). Children in primary school

do not need to wear a face covering. Staff have used visors previously but we will change to wearing face coverings when moving around school.

- Educational Visits of any kind are currently not permitted to take place.
- School attendance from Monday 8th March 2021 becomes mandatory again.
- School meals return 😊
- Breakfast and Afterschool Club opens.
- Broad and balanced curriculum taught with a focus on closing any gaps in knowledge.
- All Primary Assessment, (National Testing) will not take place this year. Teacher assessment will inform end of year school reports.

Easter Art @Sutton @Bugthorpe

As part of our RE work on Easter, we are planning a cross school art project with every child creating their own image of part of the Easter Story. As we will be unable to invite you to share our Easter Service with us, we plan to share these virtually during the last week of term. More details to follow.

Mrs Stephenson, @Sutton
Church and Living Well Subject Leadership Team

World Book Day @Sutton @Bugthorpe

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 4th March. This year the class teachers have decided to hold a 'Masked



Reader' competition. Each child needs to record themselves reading, wearing a mask. We will watch each of the videos together, as individual classes, on World Book Day and have a quiz to guess who each 'Masked Reader' is.

- 1) Create a mask, dress up in fancy dress or work with an adult to download an app that adds a mask to your face when you record a video.
- 2) Choose a book that might give us a clue who you are. For example, Mr Holtby might read The Demon

Headmaster...It used to scare the life out of me in 1996-98!!! Or you could choose your favourite book!
3) Record yourself reading for 1 minute (max) wearing your mask. You might like to disguise your voice too.
4) Upload the video to your Seesaw journal (Years 1-6) or Tapestry (EYFS).
5) Keep your identity a secret.

Hopefully, we will share a teacher 'Masked Reader' too 😊

Parents Evening @Sutton @Bugthorpe

Parents Evening was scheduled for the week beginning Monday 8th March (Week 3). Due to this being our first week back in school for the majority of pupils, we have decided to postpone this to Week 4 and 5. Class teachers will be in touch via Tapestry (EYFS) and Seesaw (Y1-6) with further information regarding how this will go ahead.

Usually, the first parents evening in Autumn term regards settling in, friendships, attitudes to learning and any concerns or questions you would have. The second parents evening, in the Spring term, would usually consist of seeing books, discussing progress and attainment and letting you know how you can help at home to close any gaps. This parents evening will obviously be a little different due to our remote learning in Lockdown.

Our objective, from Monday 8th March, is to teach a broad and balanced curriculum with a focus on closing gaps in knowledge. Teachers will need time to assess gaps in learning and address these in the classroom.

We look forward to sharing with you how we feel your child has been getting on so far this year and how we plan to get them to where they need to be as soon as possible.

Federation Proposal @Sutton @Bugthorpe

An email went out this week with our official document for the proposal to federate our schools. I believe this is going to be a great success for both schools, to formally bring us together. Both schools will remain unique and individual as our school visions celebrate. Proverbs (Sutton) and Matthew (Bugthorpe) both discuss choosing the correct pathway, and place, to flourish; we want to do this with confidence. The main change will be that we will have one shared governing body that oversees the standards and effectiveness of both schools, ensuring we strive to reach our full potential.

Parent consultations take place on **Wednesday 21st April 2021. Bugthorpe 6pm; Sutton 6:45pm; via Zoom.** If you have any questions to ask at the event, please forward these to the School Offices by **Friday 16th April 2021.**

Church of England National Professional Qualification of Headship @Sutton @Bugthorpe

I am pleased to inform you all that I achieved my CofEPQH and received my certificate this week. York Diocese have invited me to be a representative on the Schools Committee, which feeds in to the Diocesan Board of Education meetings. It will be great to get an insight into developing church schools and building for a better future together.

The following messages are for Sutton:

Our New Vicar @Sutton

I am sure will join me in giving Reverend Jackie Doyle-Brett a very warm welcome into our Sutton family. Jackie had her licensing service this week to become Priest-in-Charge of the Benefice of Derwent Ings.

Almighty Father,

You have called your Church into being in your love and strengthened us for your service. Bless your servant Jackie, that she may be a faithful shepherd and a true friend. Guide us, inspire us and make us all a joyful Church, one in heart and mind; for the sake of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

New School Badge Entries @Sutton

Just a reminder that our school badge design competition closes on Monday 1st March. Please email your entries to the School Office. We will choose a top 3 to share with you, so that you can vote for your preferred winner. The badge will then get sent off to the School Shop to see if they can create a uniform template. The winner will receive a polo shirt with their badge design on. Remember, we 'follow your pathway and grow with confidence'.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr B Holtby

Executive Headteacher

