



Sundon Park Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

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News

Welcome back to school after the half term break. We hope those of you that celebrated Halloween had some spooky fun on Wednesday. We now have availability on a Thursday evening for letting to anybody interested in hiring the premises. If you would like more information, please email Carol Outlaw at school@sundonpark.luton.sch.uk.

We have been experiencing some pupils coming to school wearing items of clothing that are not appropriate. Can we please ask that parents familiarise themselves with our school uniform policy, which can be found on the website.

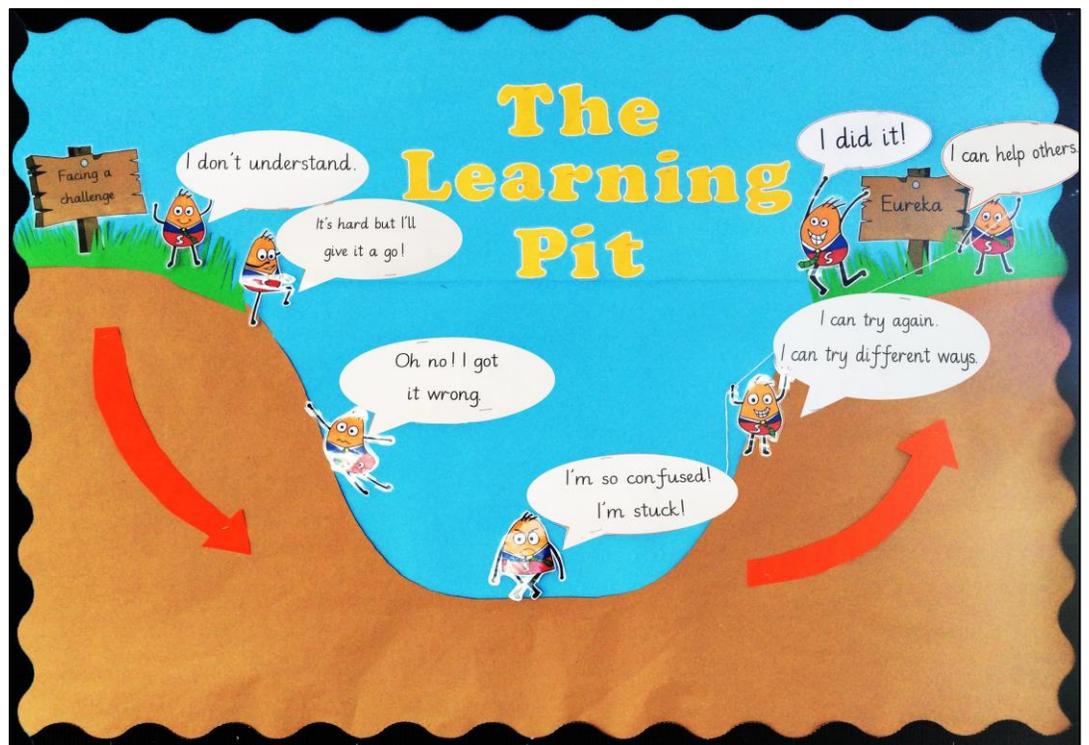
Eureka: a cry of joy or satisfaction when one finds or discovers something for oneself

The drivers amongst us will, no doubt, remember how hard it was when we first started to master clutch control in a car. Cyclists will realise how hard it is for most people to learn how to ride a bike without stabilisers. But didn't it feel great when we realised all our hard work had paid off and we'd finally got there.

This feeling of struggling but getting there in the end is an essential part of learning. On the training day this week, the staff spent time thinking about how we can give the children an image and the language to talk about learning so they can more easily accept that they need to feel challenged but that with effort they will learn and will succeed.

You may have heard your child talking about the 'Learning Pit'. This is the metaphor we have chosen to help the children to talk about their learning and to encourage them to more readily accept the challenge of new learning. It's been really interesting to hear children talking about this already and especially about their Eureka moments.

Each classroom has a display (right) to help children visualise this process in their minds.



Car Boot Sale

As we approach Christmas, it can be a very good idea to make room for the influx of new gifts. To help with this process we are organising a car-boot sale on December 2nd on the school playground. It will be £5 to book a plot to sell and £1 for entry to buy. More details and times can be found on the Christmas Activities letter, as well as a form to complete if you would like to book a plot on the day.



The Hatters



Thank you to Mrs Heal who, on Tuesday morning, gave Year 3 a wonderful presentation detailing her experiences of working in the Luton hat industry.

Children's Safety

Can parents please encourage children to always use our crossing patrol to cross roads. We have noticed some of our pupils walking across roads at busy times very close to (but not using) the school crossing patrol. This is even more important as the mornings get darker.

The policy at SPJS is that children in Years 3 and 4 must, without exception, be collected by a nominated adult. Years 5 and 6 can walk home alone if they have parental permission to do so.

Friends of SPJS School Disco

The last day of half term was certainly a busy one and ended with one of our much anticipated school discos. With Ms Outlaw, Mrs Fairbanks and Miss McPolin as our resident DJs, the sound system was hammering out the most popular chart hits and got everyone on the dance floor. Congratulations to the winners of our dance competition: Alice, Nehemiah, Cordell and Niala, who impressed us all with their moves and enthusiasm.

We hope everyone had a fantastic time and thank you to the Friends of SPJS for organising another brilliant event.

Bikeability Assembly

On Tuesday a member of Bikeability came in to give an assembly about the importance of road safety and how to protect yourself when using a bicycle or scooter. He also spoke about the upcoming bikeability training, starting on November 12th. Bikeability aims to give children the skills and knowledge they need to safely use roads and pavements, protecting themselves, pedestrians and other road users.



Weekly Awards

Super Heroes 19/10/18

Chosen by class teachers for showing respect, being inclusive and helpful, and caring towards others.

Year 3
Oliver
Lilly-Ray

Year 4
Ruby
Charlotte
Darby

Year 5
Leah
Bailey

Year 6
Jamie
Myla
Amy

Class Leaders 19/10/18

This title is awarded to pupils who act as an example to the rest of their class.

Year 3
Kellise
Zach

Year 4
Zohaib
Lucas
Rocco

Year 5
Haider
Cordell

Year 6
Zlata
Liam
Kyle G



PE Awards

Joni

Olivia S

Kyle G

Ruby

Diary and Dates

November 8 th	Gym Club Cancelled (Good luck to Elliot)
November 9 th	Gym Club Cancelled (Good luck to Elliott)
November 12 th	Cycle Training for Years 5 and 6
November 28 th	Friends of SPJS Christmas Fair
December 2 nd	Car-Boot Sale
December 3 rd	Flu Immunisation for Years 3, 4 and 5 Santa Shop
December 14 th	Christmas Disco
December 17 th	Charity Afternoon
December 19 th	Dance Show
December 20 th	Music Concert
December 21 st	Year 3 Performance to Parents Christmas Dinner Last Day of Term

Lunch Menu



Please note that changes to the menu may take place due to unforeseen circumstances such as late deliveries.

Monday

Meatballs
Wow Butter Quorn Satay
✓
Jacket Potato and Tuna
Melting Moment Biscuit

Tuesday

Chicken Korma
Quorn Pie ✓
Tuna and Sweetcorn
Wrap
Banana Cake

Wednesday

Roast Chicken
Quorn Fillet ✓
Cheese and Bean
Quesadilla
Chocolate Brownie

Thursday

Beef Lasagne
Macaroni Cheese ✓
Chicken Tikka Wrap
Bakewell Tart

Friday

Salmon Fish Fingers and
Chips
Three Cheese & Tomato
Pizza ✓
Tandoori Chicken in a Bun
Fruit Smoothie

Next Week in English

Year 3

In English next week we will be learning our new text 'Stone Age Boy'. We will begin by getting into the atmosphere and then spending time reading and understanding the story.

Year 4

Year 4 will be learning our new story entitled 'The Canal'. This is a warning story and we will be learning it by heart. We will ensure we fully understand the story and will learn what techniques the author has used to engage the reader. To end the week, we will be revising the way to punctuate speech correctly.

Year 5

This week, Year 5 have been planning and beginning to write an explanation text about how a sundial works.

They will continue to write these next week before writing their own explanation texts about what happens when a volcano erupts, which is linked to the learning in our topic.

Year 6

Next week, Year 6 will be learning to write a non-fiction text that involves writing a survival text. In class, we will be creating a shared write and then the class will have the opportunity to write their own explanation text. We will effectively use modal verbs, colons and subheadings to structure our writing.

Next Week in Maths

Year 3

In maths next week, we will be starting a new unit focusing on learning and using mental methods for subtraction

Year 4

Next week in maths, Year 4 will be continuing our work on formal method subtraction and then moving on to counting in multiples of 6, 7, 9, 25, 1000

Year 5

Next week, we are continuing our work on mental methods for addition and subtraction.

We will be exploring methods such as doubling and halving to use known facts, divisible rules and regrouping to support division.

Year 6

Next week, Year 6 will recall and use equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages. Year 6 will also use common factors to simplify fractions.