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Newsletter No. 160

St Dunstan's, Cheam, C of E Primary School

Message from the Headteacher

Welcome to the last newsletter of this half term! Where has the time gone? What a lovely morning we had this morning! Thank you to all our parents and carers who joined us to share your children's learning. I know from the comments and the smiley faces leaving school, that you are as proud of the children as we are.

School has been a hive of activity during the last two weeks from Harvest celebrations and the Foodbank delivery to football matches and cross country competitions and that's without mentioning all the wonderful classroom learning that has taken place. I know you will enjoy reading about these and other events in this newsletter.

We are delighted to welcome Miss Shueda Begum to the teaching staff. She will be working across the school from Monday and I know you join us in welcoming her to the St Dunstan's family.

In the meantime enjoy your weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday for the last week of this half term.

Mrs Porter

A Message from the Chair of Governor's

As you know Ms Corby had a hip replacement during the summer holidays and we are pleased to report that she is making great progress with her recovery. This half term, she has not been able to attend all the school's events as she has been on a phased return with some time in school; some working at home and some dedicated recovery time.

When the children return after half-term, Ms Corby will be increasing the amount of time she is in school, and this will continue until she is fully recovered. I would like to express my sincere thanks to Mrs Porter for stepping up as acting head teacher and all the staff for working incredibly hard during this time.

We continue to wish Ms Corby all the best with her recovery as she becomes more mobile day by day.

Thank you for your harvest gifts!

On Friday 7th October, the House Captains delivered all the harvest donations to the Sutton Food Bank. After collecting the donations from all over the school, we loaded four cars to the brim! Following a short drive, we arrived at the Big Yellow Storage building where we were met by two lovely volunteers and they

helped us load up two large trolleys. One of the volunteers estimated that we had donated around a ton of food!

We were shown a storage unit where some donations had been sorted and they told us about how the donations are distributed to different food banks around the borough. They were very pleased that St Dunstan's had donated so much. We would like to thank the parents and Mr Swain who helped us deliver all the goods. By Lillyann and Lilly-Mae, Year 6 House Captains



Mufti day - Thursday 20th October: The last day of term will be a mufti day. Children can come to school in their own clothes. We will be raising money for classroom resources for all classes and we would request donation of £1 or more if you are able. Money will be collected by the PTFA when the school gates open.

Half-Term Fundraiser: 'Active Autumn challenge': We are planning a half term fundraiser for the school and further details will be sent by Parentmail next week. We hope families can have fun altogether whilst raising funds for the school.

Christmas Fundraiser: It's that time of year again where the PTFA find a fun and festive way of raising some money for the school. This year is a bumper one! We will ask the children over 1/2 term to design their Christmas Image using a template provided - this can then be used to order Cards, Mugs, Tea towels, wrapping paper and more!

Check out the details here: <https://www.classfundraising.co.uk/school-christmas-cards/>

Further details will be sent out soon!

Thank you for your ongoing support.

PTFA

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY



This week the children have carried out a range of activities to celebrate Mental Health Day some of which you may have seen when you saw your child's work.

Helpguide's 6 Keys to Mental Health



St Paul's
HOWELL HILL

Sign up via the Church website

GLOW IN THE DARK PARTY

MONDAY 31 OCTOBER
St Paul's Church, 15 Northey Avenue, SM2 7HS

Fun packed with inflatables, face painting, mini games and more!

MINI

When: 9:45-11:15am
Who: Toddlers - 4yr olds
£2 per child
(over 5's to attend later)

BIG

When: 5:30-7pm
Who: 3-11yr olds
£7 per child
(under 3's free)

Sign Up online @ saintpauls.co.uk/children

Brightly coloured clothes, no Halloween costumes please
Children must be accompanied by an adult

Sign up in advance!

Adults come for free

St Alban's Church, Cheam
Saturday 29th October, 4-5pm

Light Party

Crafts, activities, fun

To guarantee your FREE place, book here:

Attendance

The attendance figure for w/c 03/10/2022 was:

96.2%

Our target is **96.4%**

Please remember to look at your ParentPay account to ensure this is up to date before we break for the half term.

INSET DAY

Friday 21st October

PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR!

Please see the school's website under school calendar for a full list of dates and events for this term. After half-term the dates for you diary will not be published as below.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(Dates may be subject to change)

Don't forget Parents' Evening!

Mon 17th—Thurs 20th October

Tues 18th

Pegasus Class Assembly

Year 5 & 6 Girls Football Match at Brookfield Primary School

Weds 19th

Year 6—Swimming

Thurs 19th

PTFA Mufti Day

Prayer Group in the school library 8.45am

Steve Welding E-Safety Meeting for Parents 8.45am—9.45am

Fri 21st Oct

INSET DAY

Mon 24th—Fri 28th

Half Term

Mon 31st

Children return to school

Year 6 Evacuee Day

'Stars' of the last two weeks....

Nursery	Grace K	Charlie D
Venus	Alfie L	Luoxi
Pluto	Kaiyan	Violet S
Neptune	Iarlaith	Charlotte
Mercury	April	Ariah
Jupiter	Subhaan	Jack F
Saturn	Armaan	Theo D
Delphinus	Malika	Ray
Phoenix	Alfred	Emily
Orion	Ruby MS	Jacob
Pegasus	Jacob	Lucy S
Unicorn	Asher	Lucia
Hercules	Lia	Blake
Aquila	Phoebe	Olivia C
Cygnus	James	Mayah



SPORTS NEWS



'On Wednesday 6th October, St Dunstan's played their first football match since 2019.

The team played very well and showed great sportsmanship. The team were really happy to be representing St Dunstan's. The final score was 3:0 to Manor Park Primary School.'

By Max and Gil, Year 6.

'On Wednesday 12th October, the girls football team which was made up from a selection of girls from Year 5 & Year 6 competing against various schools in the Borough Schools' 7 A-side Girls Football Championship.

It was really fun and also an unforgettable experience. We built on our co-ordination skills and it was a challenge to compete against other teams. This was our first experience to play a matches against other schools.

We played 4 games in total and the finals scores were 0:0, 0:0, 0:1 and 4:0. We are really proud of our 4 goal win and can't wait for our next game.' By Darcey and Audrey, Year 6.



Cross Country 2022

On Thursday 13th



October, a selection of children from Year 4—Year 6 took part in the Borough Cross Country Competition at the Sutton Grammar School playing fields.

'I really enjoyed our trip to take part in the cross country competition because it was great experience participating in the races and representing our school. I think cross country is a great activity for schools to take part in and we did very well.' By Tom, Year 6.

'On Thursday 13th October, I went to compete with other schools in the area. Years 4-6 competed in the races and they came in different places from 1-130.

It was a really fun experience as we could challenge ourselves against the best cross country runners in our school. I came 20th. I was very pleased with myself for getting through the race even when it got tough! I can't wait for our next race.' By Darcey, Year 6.

Exciting News!

We are very excited that two members of our girls football team have been invited to trial for the Sutton Borough football team.

Leo Sports Academy are running many sports clubs at school including the following clubs:

Year 3/4 Rugby

Years 5/6 Netball and Hockey

Look out for details of the following new clubs after half-term:

Year 6 Dodgeball

Year 5/6 Cricket



Boys and Girls from U5 - U11 (Rec - Year 6)

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