



TERM 2 NEWSLETTER

Sutton Veny CofE Primary School

Together, through **friendship**, in **peace** and with **courage**, we reach for the stars.

Colossians 3:12: '**clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.**'

This is our termly newsletter and we hope that you will enjoy reading about what will be happening in school. Regular updates will be sent out via our eSchools platform throughout the term. Please keep an eye out for these. For weekly diary updates please see the school notice board, or visit the homepage of our website: website: www.suttonveny.wilts.sch.uk email: admin.suttonveny.wilts.sch.uk



Dates for your Diary

October / November	
Mon 31st Oct	Term 2 Starts Key Stage Two Clubs Start
Wed 2nd Nov	Community Café from 2.00pm in the church Enrichment
Thur 3rd Nov	School Tours 9.30 & 11.15am Open the Book Worship
Fri 4th Nov	Celebration Assembly 9.15am KS2 Cross Country Event
Tue 8th Nov	School Tours 9.30 & 11.15am
Wed 9th Nov	Year 6 height and weight checks Enrichment
Fri 11th Nov	Celebration Assembly 9.15am Remembrance Service 11.00am
Mon 14th Nov	Anti-Bullying Week: Reach Out Girl's Football Tournament 3.30pm
Tue 15th Nov	Elliston Class at the Roman Baths
Wed 16th Nov	Enrichment
Thur 17th Nov	Welcome Mr David Ross: School Improvement Advisor

Fri 18th Nov	Celebration Assembly 9.15am FOS Film Night
Mon 21st Nov	Auckland and Canberra Curriculum Information Evenings 6.00pm
Wed 23rd Nov	Stone Age Visit: Darwin Class Enrichment
Thur 24th Nov	Elliston, Geraldton and Nelson Curriculum Information Evenings 6.00pm
Fri 25 Nov	Flu Immunisation am No Celebration Assembly today
Mon 28th Nov	FOS Bag2School Fundraiser Christmas Post Box Opens
Wed 30th Nov	Enrichment Full Governing Body Meeting 6.00pm
Fri 2nd Dec	Celebration Assembly 9.15am FOS Christmas Disco
Sat 3rd Dec	Sutton Veny Christmas Fayre
Mon 5th Dec	Last week of clubs
Wed 7th Dec	Enrichment
Thur 8th Dec	St Lawrence Singing 6.00pm
Fri 9th Dec	Celebration Assembly 9.15am Canberra Class Cake Sale 3.00pm
Mon 12th Dec	No clubs this week KS1 and KS2 Christmas Dress Rehearsals
Tue 13th Dec	FS2 and KS1 Nativity 9.30am & 1.45pm in the village hall KS2 Christmas Performance 1.45pm & 6.00pm in the church
Wed 14th Dec	Christmas Post Box Closes Enrichment
Thur 15th Dec	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Lunch Day
Fri 16th Dec	Carol Sing-a-Long 9.30am in the church Term ends at 2.00pm

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HARVEST THANKS

Thank you to all of our families for the generous donations for our Harvest Festival. Many people in crisis will benefit from the food donated to the Warminster Food Bank. The school donated an amazing amount of food and toiletries and we have received a letter of thanks and a certificate from the food bank; they have asked us to pass on their thanks to the children and our families for their generosity. The Food Bank team were so grateful for your contributions and wonderfully decorated harvest boxes. As a school we donated approximately 350kg of food! Thank you.



COMMUNITY CAFÉ

The Sutton Veny Community Café, “Where Village & School Communities Meet”, is open on the first Wednesday of every month, in the church, from 2.00pm-4.00pm. This is a great opportunity for parents and carers to meet and socialise before, and after, school pick-up.



POPPIES FOR REMEMBRANCE

On November 11th 1918, at 11am, the First World War ended with an Armistice between the Allies and Germany. To commemorate this time in history, the school will hold a silence at the war graves on Friday 11th November, at 11.00am. The children will process to the war graves to observe a silence at 11am. The children will lay a silk poppy on each of the war graves. These poppies are flown to us each year, all the way from the Returned Services League (RSL) in Geraldton, Australia.

PEACE WALK – THANK YOU

Last term, we held a successful Peace Walk on World Smile Day. Mr Alan Blake has asked me to pass on his thanks to the whole school community for taking part in our walk in memory of Mrs Blake. The whole family were deeply moved that school had taken part in the walk and raised money for The Motor Neurone Disease Association.



HOUSE POINT TOTALS

Each time the children get an eight stamp certificate they are awarded a point for their house. Here are the house point totals at the end of Term 1:

- **Deverill** 40 points (Yellow)
- **Were** 35 points (Red)
- **Nadder** 32 points (Blue)
- **Wylye** 37 points (Green)



SLOW DOWN and ‘BE SAFE BE SEEN’

As the mornings and evenings are now darker, please take extreme care when you are driving to and from school, or walking with the children. We urge all walkers to ‘be safe and be seen’ by wearing high visibility clothing. Please may all drivers take care when driving through the village and avoid the use of Best’s Lane as a short cut, due to the number of pedestrians on this single track road.



ELLISTON ROMAN BATHS TRIP

Elliston Class are visiting The Roman Baths, in Bath, on Tuesday 15th November to enrich their topic work. A separate letter, with further information, will be sent home. We hope they enjoy their visit to this World Heritage Site.

FLU IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME

The NHS immunisation team will be in school on the morning of 25th November to provide flu vaccinations to all the children in school. As parents and carers, you have all been given the option to opt your child out from the programme. Please note that there will not be a Celebration Assembly on this day.

CURRICULUM EVENINGS MEETINGS FOR PARENTS & CARERS:

We value our strong relationship with parents, and following last term’s well-attended Back to School Nights, curriculum evenings are taking place this term for each class. These workshops will provide essential curriculum and assessment information for parents, and share ways to help you support your child with their learning. Please see the calendar for dates during the week beginning Monday 21st of November. These meetings will all take place in the classroom, and will be finished by 7pm. We kindly ask that children do not attend.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are currently in the process of finalising our School Uniform Policy. Once the final draft is complete, we will be circulating this to parents and carers and asking for your feedback. Following our consultation about our uniform at the end of last year, we are trying to reduce the number of branded items, so that the majority of our uniform can be purchased from a wide variety of retailers. This will mean phasing out our green PE hooded top. Your feedback indicated that they do not wear, or wash, as well as the school jumpers, and they are tight to get on and off. The children will be able to wear their school jumper or cardigan on PE days.

NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our new school website is in the final stages of design and we will be launching it as soon as it is ready to go live. Our new website will be hosted and managed by eSchools. We look forward to letting you know when you’ll be able to access this via our current website address.

WELLIES IN SCHOOL



As part of our school equipment list, we do kindly request that the children keep a pair of wellington boots in school. This is so that we can make use of the school field and our natural surroundings all year round. As we are entering the winter months, the children must have wellies in school to be able to go onto the field at break and lunch times. This will ensure we keep the children's school shoes clean and help us keep the school environment clean and tidy. If they do not have wellies, they will not be able to use the field and will have to stay on the playground. Please do speak to us if, for any reason, you are unable to provide wellies for your child/children as we may be able to help. Furthermore, if you have any spare/old wellies at home, that you're happy to donate to the school, we would be extremely grateful as we could keep some spare pairs in school.

WELLY RACKS

We have purchased new welly racks for the school to replace our current wooden ones, which are showing signs of wear-and-tear. Our current wooden welly racks were built for the school by Charlie Purser's grandad and we have made great use of them for a number of years. Some of the racks are still in good condition, or could be cut down to be used for families at home. If you would be interested in recycling our wellies racks and using them at home, please do come and ask. The new welly racks are on wheels, so that they children's wellies can be brought into school each evening. This will help protect them from the elements during the colder months and keep them warm for the children.



HEALTHY SNACKS

A reminder that all the children should have a healthy snack during our morning break. Auckland, Brisbane and Canberra Class all have free fruit, through the government's fruit and veg scheme. It is important that the children at Key Stage Two also choose a health option, for their own health and so that it is fair for all the children. Thank you for your understanding and support with this.



COMING SOON...

We will send out a separate newsletter towards the end of November, detailing all the information for our Christmas events in December. Please see the 'December' term dates if you wish to plan ahead and don't forget to check the weekly noticeboard and website.



A MESSAGE FROM FOS

Friends of Sutton Veny School (FOS)
Charity number 290388

Friends of School (our Parent Teacher Association) would like to thank everyone for their support with the school events that took place during Term 1. The Brisbane Cake Sale was a huge success towards the end of term.

We have some exciting plans lined up; however, we are always looking for fresh ideas and welcome new faces, whether in a formal role or as part of our team of ad-hoc helpers. We can't do it without your support. Coming up this term:

- We are hosting our next meeting on **Wednesday 2nd November at 9.15am in the Village Hall** and would love you to join us to see how you could get involved.
- The Bags2School collection will be on 28th November. This will be a great way to have a clear out and make room for Christmas. More details will be sent nearer the time.
- The school Christmas disco will be on Friday 2nd December. It'll be fantastic fun for the children. Timings and more details will be sent nearer the time.
- The school Christmas fair will be on Saturday 3rd December in the village hall, with fun and games for the whole family!
- The Canberra Class Cake Sale will be on Friday 9th December.

As always if you have any ideas for fundraising, or ways that FOS could benefit the school, please find us in the playground or send us an email at fos@suttonveny.wilts.sch.uk. Please look out for FOS communication throughout the year via eSchools or on the school website FOS page.

Best wishes
FOS

Contacts:

Eleanor Everitt (Chair), Sam Allison (Secretary), Sam Throne and Esme Mortimer-Taylor (Co-Treasurers)

END OF TERM 2 ARRANGEMENTS

Term 2 ends on **Friday 16th December at 2pm.**

Term 3 starts on **Wednesday 4th January 2023.**