



# Sudbourne School News!

From Miss Henderson and Staff at Sudbourne

## Awesome Start to the Year!

We can't quite believe that we've reached half term already – where has the time gone?! It's been a fantastic start to the school year, with the children settling back to in to class and so many exciting events already planned for the year ahead.

Sudbourne Staff and Governors have decided on our priorities for the year ahead – ways in which we hope to make Sudbourne an even better school than it already is. We feel that these areas are really important to the school's development and for every child as well. We will let you know what we are going to do to reach these targets over the months ahead. We hope that you can be as involved as possible in some of these priorities – especially the 'Parents as Partners'!

SUDBOURNE SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PRIORITIES 2017 2018		
 <b>EMOTIONAL HEALTH</b>	 <b>TALK-A-LOT CHILDREN</b>	 <b>PARENTS AS PARTNERS</b>
Develop children's emotional health and wellbeing and learning-to-learn skills	Improve children's communication skills to support literacy development and social skills in general	Engage parents & carers to raise achievement and general wellbeing of all children
 <b>DIMINISH DISADVANTAGE</b>	 <b>SCHOOL EXPANSION</b>	 <b>MASTER MASTERY</b>
Raise attainment of disadvantaged children and diminish the difference in outcomes of all our children	Plan for Sudbourne's development into a 2 site/3 form entry school for 2020	Embed mastery/greater depth in literacy and maths and develop in to other curriculum areas

## Parents as Partners

We've started work on this priority already. Our first step was to establish our 'Reading Rocks!' programme - see below. In addition, Phase 1 have launched our 'Part of Art' programme, at the end of Term 1. All the children in Phase 1 (Year 1 and 2) took part in a whole morning dedicated to art, sculpture, and design thanks to a team of artistic talented parents and partners. Check out the fabulous pictures on: Twitter: @sudbourneschool

It is our plan that every year group from year 1 to 6 will get to enjoy this immersive workshop approach, ideally at least twice a year. So, if you have any skills, talent, experience in the art field and would love to bring your passion to Sudbourne children, please do let us know, and you can join our 'Part of Art' team.



## New! Governor Drop-Ins

The Governors will be holding regular drop in meetings for parents/cares (similar to MPs' surgeries). They will be on Friday mornings, in the Shooting Stars room – look out for signs next term with dates for these helpful sessions.

## Sudbourne Values

The Governing Board and School staff team are excited to be developing our very own Sudbourne School Values Statement - to sum up what we stand for at this very special school of ours. And we want your help, and your child's too! If you haven't already done so, please let us know about....



- ~ What do YOU think or feel makes Sudbourne such a special place?
- ~ What does our school 'stand for'?
- ~ What do we believe in, for our children, for our community?

Here are some of our ideas.....

RESPECT NURTURE EXCELLENCE KINDNESS

## Reading Rocks!

We LOVE reading at Sudbourne! We know that reading every day makes a MASSIVE difference to a child's success in later life.

So, we need YOUR help!



Can you offer 10 minutes once a week, or more if you can, from 3.00 to 3.15 to read with a Sudbourne pupil, to nurture their reading confidence and love of books? We need parent volunteers who can commit to our new Reading Rocks! programme for at least once a week, for 3 months or more, ideally for the rest of the academic year. No special skills required, just an ability to read, reliability, and enthusiasm! If you're interested, do let us or a member of the PTA know ASAP. We'd like to get a rota up and running as soon as possible...



## Sudbourne's Weekly Values

Values matter to us at Sudbourne. They are the ways that we show each other that we matter and that we care. At Sudbourne, we have a raft of values that we learn about over the year.

In term 1, the values that we have been learning about and trying to put in to practice have been:

- ◇ Helpfulness
- ◇ Responsibility
- ◇ Perseverance
- ◇ Cooperation
- ◇ Loyalty
- ◇ Justice

And of course, kindness, which is our "all-day, every-day" school value...

Next term, we will be focusing on:

- ◇ Respect
- ◇ Forgiveness
- ◇ Friendship
- ◇ Patience
- ◇ Confidence
- ◇ Thankfulness

These are really important values for us at school, and we hope they are for you at home too.

## Prevent Workshop

At the start of term our Phase 3 pupils attended a Prevent Workshop. Prevent is the name for the programme that is part of the government's counter-terrorism strategy. Sudbourne's role is to help our pupils understand risks of extremism and terrorist ideology and help safeguard them against becoming involved in risky behaviour. This is what Abigail, Ambiya, Harry, Sass, Victoria, and Yusuf had to say about the workshop:

*"It was really interesting and great fun even though it was about a serious issue. We learnt about terrorism and radicalisation and how people can be persuaded to do things that are wrong. We learnt about keeping safe on the internet as this is a way that sometimes people try to persuade you. It was interesting learning about Guy Fawkes, a terrorist from long ago, and what he did because of his beliefs."*

## Responding to Threat

Recent events relating to terrorism in London have put a spotlight on safety at school and during school trips. The staff and governors at Sudbourne have discussed the need for a Lock Down response, should the unthinkable happen. Our Educational Trip policy is currently being updated. This will be made available on the school website in due course.

With regard to safety at school, we wish to take a non-alarmist approach and have devised a practical, sensible response, with the support from Lambeth, that teachers and support staff will rehearse with pupils in such a way that all our pupils will not be frightened about what is happening. Our goal is to keep our children safe from threat but in a sensitive and child-friendly way. We will share the policy once approved by governors.

## School Council News

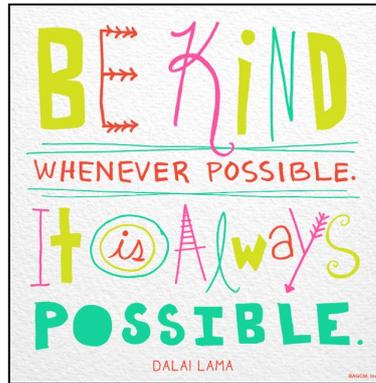


We are very proud of these pupils who have been selected to represent Sudbourne School in the important role of School Councillors for 2017/2018.

- ◆ Alyssa
- ◆ Channade
- ◆ Inez
- ◆ Jeremiah
- ◆ Jude
- ◆ RJ
- ◆ Saskia
- ◆ Savannah
- ◆ Siem
- ◆ Tate

They will be working on our **Giving Back** programme for the year. Look out for our:

- Advent Food Bank drive in December
- Baking for Books in February
- Sport Relief and WE Day in March
- ... and many other special events we hold, to 'give back' to others in our community and further afield.



Year 6 School Council with the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, Cressida Dick

## Inspiring Future Leaders

Earlier this term, we had the immense honour and pleasure of welcoming the first female Commissioner for the Metropolitan Police, Cressida Dick to Sudbourne School. The Commissioner was finding out about what people are doing in Lambeth to protect children from joining gangs, something our Year 6s learnt a lot about from the fantastic organisation called 'Growing Against Violence'.

We learnt that people in gangs are not our friends, even though they might try to persuade us they are. That being involved with gangs brings terrible risks to you and your family.

Despite a hectic schedule, the Commissioner stayed for a while at Sudbourne for a Question and Answer session with our Year 6s. We were incredibly proud of the insightful and thought-provoking questions that they posed.

We discovered that the Commissioner had tried to join the police force in her early twenties but was rejected in her first application. She didn't give up on her ambition and her dream though, and tried again, a while later... and now look where she is! The powerful lesson we learnt - **Never Give Up!**

## Sudbourne - School for Success

We think Sudbourne is a fantastic school, and so it would seem, does the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan!

Sudbourne was selected this year as one of London's "Schools for Success" programme's model schools, showcasing our work on improving outcomes for children, typically with a disadvantaged background, who were supported to make exceptional progress from year 2 to year 6.

Here's what Sadiq Khan had to say about Sudbourne:  
*"You really have done brilliant work for these students. I want other schools to learn from your good practice too. Your school has taken a big step forward for young Londoners. By levelling the playing field for all your students, you're helping to reduce educational inequality."*



## Homework for Everyone!



This half term, we set homework for everyone! It was to learn some very important information, to help keep us safe.

We learnt about the importance of knowing, off by heart, our home address postcode and the telephone number of a grown up who looks after us at home. So that, if we got lost or separated from our family, we could tell a safe adult this information and they could help keep us safe.



## We Love Sudbourne!

We hope you get the chance to see our beautiful new display in the Junior Corridor... "We Love Sudbourne because...."

It's been made by all the children and staff at Sudbourne, and brought together with the creative magic of our Communication Support Worker and Display Lead, Eta Zielonka.

Do have a look and read all the different reasons why we believe Sudbourne to be such a special place.

## Sudbourne Expansion

I know many of you are eager to know the news on the school expansion. And so are we, but unfortunately, there is little 'new' news to tell. The Governors and Sudbourne Senior Leadership Team have been meeting with Lambeth Local Authority representatives and the architects HML over the summer holidays, to discuss plans for the new site on Mandrell Road, and as well as refurbishments to our current site on Hayter Road. We are now waiting to hear from Lambeth about the date for a consultation meeting with the community on these plans. We will share any news as soon as we receive it!

IMPORTANT DATES – TERM 2					
Week	M	Tu	W	Th	Fr
1 30 Oct	Black History Celebration Week				
			Year 6 School Journey Meeting PTA AGM		
2 6 Nov	PSP (SEN) Week				
		Flu vaccination day R-Y4			Governor Drop In for Parents
3 13 Nov			Year 1 Parents Workshop – Maths in KS1		
4 20 Nov					
5 27 Nov	Last Week of After School Clubs PTA FAIR – SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER				
6 4 Dec				SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET	
7 11 Dec		KS1 Festive Performance @ 2pm	KS1 Festive Performance @ 10am KS2 Festive Performance @ 2pm/6pm	EYFS Festive Performance @ 10am/2pm	
8 18 Dec		Parents Evening @ 1.30-7.00pm	END OF TERM @ 2pm	School starts on Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	

## Year 6 Results

I would like to congratulate and thank all our year 6 pupils from last year, and ALL of our exceptionally hard-working, talented, and dedicated teaching staff for the outstanding SATS results this summer.

- \* An incredible 82% of our children achieved the expected standard in reading, writing, and maths combined - a whopping 21% above the national figure of 61% for all schools across the country.
- \* In reading, 98% of our pupils achieved the standard expected, compared with only 71% of children nationally.
- \* In writing, 86% of our pupils achieved the standard expected, compared with only 76% of children nationally.
- \* In maths, 91% of our pupils achieved the standard expected, compared with only 75% of children nationally.

What a superb effort! We are so very proud of our pupils hard-work and wish our Year 7s all the very best in their new secondary schools!