

NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday, 25th March - 1.30pm
Our 'Mother's Day' Afternoon
Tea - for ALL the special
women in our primary school
learners' lives.
Please let Sue R know if you
will be joining us.

Friday, 1st April 2022
**END OF TERM - EARLY
CLOSURE FOR PUPILS**

4th April - 18th April 2022
SPRING HOLIDAY

Tuesday, 19th April 2022
INSET DAY - staff only

Wednesday, 20th April 2022
SUMMER TERM COMMENCES

Thursday, 28th April 2022
**Parent Coffee Morning -
secondary school - hear all
about our 16+ provision -
further details to follow**

Friday 27th May - 3rd June 2022
**SUMMER HALF TERM
(incorporating Bank Holiday for
the Queen's Platinum Jubilee)**

Monday, 6th June
**INSET TRAINING DAY -
STAFF ONLY**

Thursday, 16th June
**Careers Event - details to
follow**

So much to celebrate this week and we are very proud to share our good news with you all.

The secondary school underwent an OFSTED inspection recently and this week the report was published. The findings reflect the hard work that staff and senior leadership have put into the school over the past few years and I would like to publically thank not only the staff, but the whole school community.

It is clear from the report that pupils are proud to belong to The Link and feel both happy and safe within the school environment. With an overall grading of good, and behaviour and attitude being graded Outstanding, we have the perfect mind set for learning. Our hard work will continue to provide the very best learning opportunities for all our students.

Welcoming visitors into the schools again is so nice, even when they arrive unannounced like the Environmental Health Officer who turned up on Thursday this week to inspect the school kitchens.

We are pleased to advise that once again both kitchens were awarded the highest Food Hygiene Rating of 5.

Our thanks go to Zuzana and Caroline for their hard work in consistently maintaining this level of cleanliness and record keeping on both sites.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT THE PRIMARY SCHOOL?

The primary school was awash with red today, as we joined Comic Relief raising funds for Red Nose Day.

With fun activities taking place in the classrooms, it was a day for all to enjoy. We also took time to reflect on those who may benefit from our fundraising.

We sold out of red noses within an hour and in total to date, we raised a total of **£111.20**.



Our School Council welcomed two visitors to their meeting this week - Lucas and Bora! They were a great addition and had lots of ideas.

Lucas would like to help at the Mother's/Carer's Day tea on Friday 25th March, as would Rita, Ritish, McKyla and Derya. Last week, Rishan, James and Wiki also said they would like to help.



The reps discussed what a charity was and were keen to raise money for people who might need it. They mentioned clothes, food, drink and houses as areas of need.

We look forward to seeing you at 1.30pm on Friday 25th March, when we will be raising money for Women in Need in Ukraine.

There will also be a film of your children talking about Mother's/ Carer's day!

Link Priority 2

Community friendship

Link Priority 3

Spiritual development

Link Priority 14

Emotional Development - Theory of Mind.

Link Priority 7

Communication - Social

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT THE SECONDARY SCHOOL?

Lunchtime Clubs at the secondary school

Break and lunchtimes are busy at the secondary school, with a good range of clubs and activities on offer. We aim to provide a mix of sports, games and creative activities, and to offer some quieter spaces for our students.

The clubs and activities are important for building relationships and for practising social skills. Many of our Link Priorities can be addressed through participation in a break or lunchtime club. The clubs also provide opportunities to learn something new, or just to have some fun!

In response to students' requests through the School Council, we are currently offering Beginners' Football, Drawing, Table Tennis, Lego, Polybat, ICT, Board Games, and Arts and Crafts. The Rose Club for Girls has been running successfully on Wednesdays for some time and has proved to be popular.



We also offer one-off lunchtime activities that are usually linked to a theme. For example, as part of Science Week this week Lynn has been making slime with students at lunchtimes.

We encourage students to tell us if there are any clubs they would like us to run, so please do talk to your child about this and we will try our best to put the clubs on.

Coming soon ... a full report of the Shakespeare workshops which have been taking place at the Link Secondary School this week.

In the meantime, here is a sneak preview of some of our actors:



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND AND ABOUT?

There will be a pop-up COVID-19 vaccine clinic for children and young people (12-15yrs and 16-17yrs) this Saturday, 19th March at Carshalton Boys Sports College

10am-4pm (Book or walk-in)
Winchcombe Road, Carshalton,
SM15 1RW

To book: <https://buff.ly/3tH4IGD>

Cognus are organising a youth led seminar as part of Sutton's Autism Festival.

To hear from a range of inspiring young speakers, please register your place now:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_vjNvD3J0Q8yXUOcMtQB0ug

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

With the spring break fast approaching, the Sutton Ecology Centre have the following outdoor activities available. Booking is essential.

AND FINALLY

We know that many of our Irish community will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day this weekend.

We hope you enjoy your celebrations and we hope everyone has a nice weekend.



Huge thanks to everyone who has sent in supplies for Ukraine.

Olha has been inundated with literally car loads of supplies.

For the time being we are stopping physical deliveries to the Poland border. But once again, thank you all.