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**SPRING TERM**  
**13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2017**

**NEWSLETTER**  
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Dear Parents,

This term began for us last Tuesday with a staff INSET which is our opportunity to get teachers, TA's, support staff and senior leaders together to reconnect with each other, discuss the goals for the year, and to plan our teaching for the term ahead. Mr Knights and Mr Cole had a wonderful surprise for us with a short video of our pupils answering some questions:-

- What is special about Sythwood? – "it is big and cool", "teachers are so nice and supportive", "lots of opportunities for the visually impaired", "the respect we have for each other even if we are different"
- What are the things that you like at Sythwood? – "the food", "the playground", "the teachers", "the trips"
- How does Sythwood make you feel? – supported and safe as there is always a teacher around to help
- How do adults help you in school? – "when I am stuck, they help me, and I say, 'I **can** do it', "they listen to us, they have different ways of teaching"

The children's answers were delightful and serve as a wonderful reminder of why we work at Sythwood!

We are beginning a new incentive in attendance. The classes will be ranked from the highest % to the lowest and the class at the top of the table will be able to come to school in mufti on the following Friday. This will be displayed on the newsletter every week.

From February half term, our Holiday Club will be run by NSSport and is called **Next Step Holiday Activities**. The children all know Sam and Luke well and we are really excited at what is on offer. There will be two clubs to choose from:- **NS Stars**, themed weeks/craft and design/drama/multi sports/dance parachute games and much more.

**NS Strikers** – a football focused programme that looks to capture their imagination for the beautiful game and develop their skills.

Full details to follow next week.

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Our fantastic **FREE** Activity Clubs will be starting Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January and running almost all the way to Easter, finishing Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March. Online booking is now open and you will be able to book online until 5.00pm on Monday - first come, first served.

Mr Cole will be in the ICT Suite before school on Monday if you need help with booking.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

For the safety of the wearer and others, children **must not** wear earrings on PE days. If they do wear earrings, they will not be able to participate.

Please remove earrings on PE days.

**Forthcoming Diary Dates**

19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Leave your 'Lunchbox at Home' day	20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Juniper CA
23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Free Activity Clubs begin	24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Reception Bedroom Stories 5.30pm
27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Willow CA	3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Holly CA
4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Music Challenge Saturday Yr 2	10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Break up for Half Term



## Newsletter — 13th January 2017

### LEAVE YOUR LUNCHBOX AT HOME Thursday 19th January

Our Pupil Voice says:-

- "school dinners are amazing"
- "the puddings are out of this world"
- "lots of variety - I love the veggie options"
- "they are delicious and it keeps me warm"
- "best roast ever"
- "lots to eat - even seconds some days"

#### Menu

Pork Sausages  
or Halal Chicken Sausages  
or Veggie Sausages

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Mashed Potato  
Yorkshire Pudding  
Seasonal Vegetables  
Gravy

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Ice Cream or Yoghurt

### Surrey Squash Taster Sessions - Friday 20th January

Year 5 & 6 are incredibly lucky to be having a visit from Surrey Squash next Friday, 20th January.

Each class will have a 30minute taster session.

Children need to wear plimsolls or trainers.



The Children's Centre will  
be holding Stop Smoking  
sessions - info to follow

Look out for Next Step Holiday Activities  
coming soon to Sythwood School,  
replacing our holiday club,  
run by Sam & Luke of NSSport.  
More details to follow next week!