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## Quality, Creativity, Consistency, Collaboration

Dear Parents and Carers

It really is amazing that we are in the final term of this academic year- it has flown by! The summer seems to have finally arrived as well- please make sure that the children are dressed appropriately for the warm weather especially if you do not bring them to school yourself (we probably don't need to see any thick winter coats from now on!) If it is very hot we do limit the amount of time that the children are outside, but still do apply sun cream and encourage them to bring a bottle of water to school with them as well as everything else that they usually bring.

As always there is an awful lot of information in this newsletter- keep it somewhere safe until you receive the next one in a few weeks' time.

### Sporting Triumphs

We have a lot to be proud of at Sunnyhill- but rarely have we had so much sporting success to report all at the same time! We are all very proud of the children and the staff who took part in these sporting events, not just because of the fantastic results but also for the commitment they showed in preparing for them! Well done everyone!

On Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May Sunnyhill took part in a 'best team' cricket tournament against more than 20 schools from across Lambeth.

During the group stages Sunnyhill played exciting cricket and were commended by several coaches from other schools. Gabriel (Year 6) took a diving catch to his right which was certainly the moment that defined our fielding efforts. Sade (Year 6) was our outstanding bowler during the knock out stages; her line and length were perfect, restricting the batting teams to only a few paltry runs in the final over of every match.

However it wasn't plain sailing the whole way. We narrowly beat Sudbourne in our final group stage match to play against Hill Mead Primary School in the Semi-finals. With tensions running high and the players realising the importance of the game, Sunnyhill showed great teamwork with disciplined bowling and clever batting around the wicket to beat Hill Mead by 4 runs.

Suddenly we were in the finals facing the formidable Cricket team of Rosendale! We lost the toss and they sent us in to bowl first. With cautious confidence and nerves of steel we took 4 wickets within the first four overs and our situation seemed almost unbeatable.

Unfortunately nobody told us about Rosendale number eight batsmen! With the destructive power of a very young Chris Gayle he hit 34 runs in one over (4, 6,6,6,6,6) and the momentum shifted completely towards the other team.

We were against the ropes and the teams' heads started dropping... luckily our star bowler and all-rounder Sade kept her cool in the final over and only a few runs were scored to stop the carnage!



Leevi, Gabriel, Marcus, Dan, Sade, Twaha,  
Sheaquan, Sherif, Dillan

It was our turn to bat and Twaha (Year 5) faced a hostile opening bowling attack. While playing conservative cricket he managed to keep the ball away from his stumps and scored a few boundaries. We started to fight back; the momentum slowly started to swing back in our favour again. Our team started to play each ball on its merit, punishing the weaker deliveries and scoring several boundaries along the way.

After an extremely tense final match, it was announced that we won by 14 runs and were crowned the best cricket team in Lambeth! Our players played with true determination; we are extremely proud of their achievements and how they represented our school. Our cricket team are now proceeding through to the Surrey finals at Epsom College where we will represent Lambeth against winning cricket teams from boroughs across Lambeth. We wish our team the best of luck!

### Sunnyhill girls Lambeth cricket champions 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row!



Our Girls cricket team has won the Lambeth Girls Cricket competition for the second year running! On a hot, sunny day in Kennington Park the girls dominated the competition to run out the easy winners, and will now go on to represent Lambeth against all the best girls' teams in Surrey.

The girls were rarely challenged and even managed to score a record breaking 342 runs in one of their matches! Along the way highlights included: Sade clearing the changing rooms with one towering six; Iffah hitting 34 runs in one over (4,6,6,6,6,6,) and excellent captaincy from Sheaquan.

All of the girls played high quality, high energy cricket with smiles on their faces all day, and were commended by teachers and coaches from

several other schools for their skill and attitude. Special thanks should go to Mr Blom, Mr Te Huna, Mr Donald, Laura and Asif for coaching the girls and or helping them on the day.

As a result of their success five of the girls have been offered a trial at Surrey County Cricket Club at the Oval. These girls are: Sade, Sheaquan, Ruth, Noohi and Gabrielle. We wish the girls luck in the finals on June 17<sup>th</sup> at Epsom College. Cricket at Sunnyhill continues to flourish!

### Sunnyhill wins historic first football title!

Sunnyhill School has this year won the Lambeth and Southwark Primary School Football League for the first time in its history! With one match still to play the team clinched the league title with a 14-1 win over Paxton School.

This year's team, which has featured boys and girls from year 3 to 6 has played with courage, determination and skill throughout the season, and has not lost a single game.

SCHOOL	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
<b>Sunnyhill</b> ©	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Hill Mead</b> r/u	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>18</b>
Immanuel	11	6	1	4	23	23	13
Loughborough	9	5	2	2	27	13	12
Corpus Christi	10	5	1	4	20	12	11
Allen Edwards	10	5	0	5	20	22	10
Globe Academy	10	4	2	4	28	24	10
Holy Trinity	10	4	1	5	27	16	9
St Joseph's	10	4	0	6	19	27	8
Crawford	10	2	3	5	17	40	7
Paxton	10	1	1	8	9	49	3
Richard Atkins	11	1	0	10	14	40	2

All the players involved have trained hard throughout the year and this dedication means their success is fully deserved.

Special thanks should go to Mr Skillern, Mr Donald, Omar and Dominic for their hard work both preparing the team for games, and taking them on Saturday mornings.

As a result of this season's success several boys have been chosen to play representative football for other teams.

Leevi Bassett (Year 6) – South London Schools

Marikany (Year 6) – Lambeth Tigers

Joshua Williams (Year 4) – Crystal Palace Academy

Joshua Nyame – (Year 5) – Crystal Palace Academy



### Staffing News

The end of May is when teachers and support staff have to let their employers know if they are going to be leaving at the end of the current academic year- this year, as always, we do have members of our staff team who will be moving on to pastures new in September.

- Dorothy Delve will be leaving us with the aim of working in further education and training.
- Melanie Rose will be leaving us to work in a Special school - Laura Donnelly is leaving us to take up a post at Rosendale Primary.
- Wanjiru Gichigi and Huw Parkin are also leaving us at the end of July.
- Aloisa Zankowicz is leaving us to re-locate to Australia.

It is too early to say good bye to these colleagues- but it is appropriate for us to officially say thank you to them for all of their hard work whilst they have been here with us at Sunnyhill.

We also have new members of staff joining us next term who we know you will make feel very welcome- Charlotte Hamilton, Ruth Oliver and Emma Munbodhova will be in at the end of June to meet the children they will be teaching next year.

### Bicycles and scooters

It is really great that so many children are riding bikes or using scooters to come to school but some members of our community have taken advantage of this. We have been informed by a parent that a bike was taken from the bike shed in the main playground a few weeks ago. The bike was not padlocked- but someone using the school site took something that did not belong to them, obviously stealing from a child and family who are part of the same community as them. From now on, members of staff will be asking parents and children who bring bikes and scooters to school whether they have a lock for items that are being left on the school site- if they don't have a lock we are strongly advising that bikes and scooters need to be taken home. Parents and children who leave bikes and scooters unpadlocked on the school site do so at their own risk.

### Children's Centre Information

Our Children's Centre offers the highest quality care and support to families at a crucial time in a child's growth and development.

#### Day-care

We have spaces available in the CC Nursery for children aged 6 months to 5 years. We offer high quality childcare with fully trained and experienced staff, providing a safe, stimulating and happy environment where children are free to develop ideas through play and learning.

#### Children's Centre offer

The CC offers activities for both children and adults that include:

- Play Sessions
- Baby sessions
- Health advice
- Training/skill session for adults
- Parenting classes/support
- Citizens Advice Bureau support
- Outreach Support offering family and early intervention work.

Please look at the school website for full CC programme or contact Sophia Williams or Loraine McCarthy for more information.

## Important dates

The dates for this academic year have been sent out twice (at the end of the Summer term and as an attachment to the newsletter at the start of the Autumn Term). If you need to refer to this information and you can't find your paper copy it is available on the school's website. The table below contains the important dates for the next few months - major dates do not change- but some information has been added as trips have been booked and dates agreed since the last information was sent out.

We are beginning to run Zumba Classes for parents on Wednesdays (1.30 -2.45) starting 3rd June - if you are interested, please contact the office to book a place; this is a free course for anyone on any state benefit.

June	July	September
10 <sup>th</sup> : Class photos 10 <sup>th</sup> : 1Eden out at Kew Gardens 11 <sup>th</sup> : 1Ely out at Kew Gardens 11 <sup>th</sup> : Bike to school day 16 <sup>th</sup> : 4Avon out at Museum of London 17 <sup>th</sup> : Y6 out- ice skating 17 <sup>th</sup> : Y3 Stour out- London Zoo 18 <sup>th</sup> : 4Arrow out at Museum of London 18 <sup>th</sup> : Y3 Sprint and Severn out- London Zoo 18 <sup>th</sup> : Bike to school day- bring your bike to school (Y5 and 6) 19 <sup>th</sup> : Y3Stour out at City Learning Centre <b>22<sup>nd</sup>: EYFS Sports Day (pm)</b> <b>23<sup>rd</sup>: KS1 Sports Day (pm)</b> 24 <sup>th</sup> : Y6 out a University Discovery Day at Southbank <b>25<sup>th</sup>: KS2 Sports Day (pm)</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> : Bike to school day 25 <sup>th</sup> : 2Bailey out at Hyde Park- Chicken Shed performance <b>26<sup>th</sup>: Family Fitness day</b> 29 <sup>th</sup> : Enterprise week begins 30 <sup>th</sup> : New class teachers in to meet children	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Final bike to school day 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Piano recital in Music room (3.15- 3.45) <b>3<sup>rd</sup>: Enterprise day</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> : Y5 cycle training (all week) <b>7<sup>th</sup>: Nursery open afternoon (2.15)</b> 10 <sup>th</sup> : Y6 out at Thorpe Park <b>10<sup>th</sup>: Reports sent out</b> 14 <sup>th</sup> : Y6 out at Tooting Lido <b>15<sup>th</sup>: EYFS Celebration (pm)</b> <b>16<sup>th</sup>: Y6 Leaver's assembly (10.15)</b>  <b>17<sup>th</sup>: Last day of this academic year (2pm)</b>	<b>Start of academic year: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015</b>

Some parents have started to ask for term dates for the next academic year- these are available on the school website and will be sent out as a hard copy with the next head teacher newsletter. A full list of dates for the next academic year will be sent out with the next Head's newsletter.

## Attendance

**The school target for attendance is 96%; with your help we can achieve this!**

As a parent/carer you can help by:

- **Telling your child how important school is ;**
- **Praising your child's achievements and celebrating their success;**
- **Organising non-urgent medical appointments after school;**
- **Helping your child get into a routine at breakfast and bedtime;**
- **Encourage healthy eating and exercise to boost your child's immune system;**
- **Encourage your child to prepare their school uniform ready for school the night before;**
- **Organising your child's equipment (or getting them into the routine of laying everything out) the night before they're needed (E.G. Book bag and PE kit);**
- **Taking time to talk to your child about what they have done in school – showing that you are interested and what they do at school does matter!**

Our class attendance winners for last week were:

- **KS1 R Thames/1 Eden= 98.8%**
- **KS2 5 Crane= 100%**

Our attendance for last week was **97.0%** - our overall attendance is up to **95.7%** since September 2014... this is really near our target for this year, we are definitely moving in the right direction! Well done everyone!