

# News from the Hill

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*"Learning Together, We Will All Be  
Exceptional"*



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Our Values  
*respect one another*  
*every individual matters*  
*take responsibility*  
*strive for excellence*  
*try your best*

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following a very busy week, which included our Family Feast, you will see pictures of the work done at school this week.

**We finish for half term on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at the usual time of 3.15pm. We return to school after half term on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October at the usual time.**

**A reminder about labelling uniform.** Please make sure that school uniform is labelled. You do not need to buy personalised clothing labels, a permanent pen is fine! It is expensive and frustrating for you to replace uniform if it is lost but if your child's name is inside, we can help you find it.

**Thank you for your cooperation.**

Please don't allow your children to bring toys or personal items to school. We cannot take responsibility if they are lost or broken and we find that when a child has a toy in school, it can cause arguments between the children. Further up the school, some children like to bring pencil cases with their own pens, pencils and colours. We use school pens and pencils in books so they really don't need to bring their own stationery.

Attendance for w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> October was back up again at 94.1% - well done everyone! A reminder that if your child catches a tummy bug, with sickness and/or diarrhoea, they need to stay home for 48 hours to prevent the bug from spreading. **Well done to class 3B for 97.1% attendance!**

Best wishes,  
*Sarah Wilson*  
Head Teacher

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## Useful dates

| Event   | Date & Time   |
|---|---|
| <b>Individual and sibling photographs</b>         | <b>18<sup>th</sup> October – next week</b>                              |
| Parent/carer and teacher meetings                 | 14 <sup>th</sup> November in person<br>16 <sup>th</sup> November online |
| CanTeam/school social eating event                | 14 <sup>th</sup> November 4-6pm in the sports hall                      |
| Friends of Sunnyhill Winter Fair                  | 30 <sup>th</sup> November   |
| Year 1 & 2 Shakespeare Performance                | 12 <sup>th</sup> December PM<br>(time to be confirmed)                  |
| EYFS Winter Show                                  | 13 <sup>th</sup> December AM and PM<br>(times to be confirmed)          |
| Year 3 & 4 Shakespeare Performance                | 14 <sup>th</sup> December PM<br>(time to be confirmed)                  |
| Year 6 Shakespeare Performance                    | 18 <sup>th</sup> December PM<br>(time to be confirmed)                  |
| Year 5 'Play Your Part' Performance               | 19 <sup>th</sup> December PM<br>(time to be confirmed)                  |
| Children's Christmas Lunch and Festive Jumper Day | 20 <sup>th</sup> December   |
| Children's Class Parties                          | 21 <sup>st</sup> December AM  |
| <b>End of term</b>                                | <b>21<sup>st</sup> December</b><br><b>School finishes at 2pm</b>        |

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## SEND Coffee Afternoon

Parents and carers from across the school came to the SEND Coffee Afternoon.

We particularly enjoyed welcoming parents new to Sunnyhill.

Rosie Smith, SENDCo, explained the Sunnyhill SEND Offer from the Sunnyhill School website.

<https://www.sunnyhillprimary.com/attachments/download.asp?file=601&type=pdf>

One parent new to Sunnyhill said that 'This is the most supported I've ever felt about my child and I'm so glad we came to Sunnyhill.'

At the next SEND Coffee Afternoon, on Tuesday 7th November, 2023, 2.00-3.00pm, we have invited guest speakers knowledgeable in autism and other special needs:

**Edyta Zjawiony, from the Lambeth Autism Advice Service**

and **Mariama Kandeh from Autism Voice,**

a charity working to enhance the health and well-being of children

with autism and/or learning disabilities

from mainly Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Communities

## Harvest Food Bank Collection

Thank you everyone for sending so many donations and contributions for our food bank collection. Your generosity speaks volumes about our school community and living the values at school!



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## Black History Month Family Feast

On Tuesday, we have over 100 parents/carers, children and staff in the sports hall to share food together at our Family Feast. It was a wonderful opportunity to be together in a more relaxed environment and to share the good food provided by you and by our partners CanTeam.

The School Council (supported by Ms Trehwella), staff, CanTeam volunteers and parent/carer volunteers made the hall look lovely in preparation for the Feast. Jasper & Roxie's dad provided entertainment in the form of drumming using the djembes and we have a visiting poet, Yvonne Murray, who performed her poems for us – including two poems that she wrote especially for Sunnyhill.

Have a look at the photos below to relive the event and make sure you sign up for the next social eating event on 14<sup>th</sup> November which will be at the same time at parent/carer & teacher meetings.



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## Parent/Carer Workshops

The programme of workshops for this term has been released. In case you haven't seen it, here is a copy:

| Date and time  | Year Groups           | Event                                 | Information  |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Tuesday 17th<br>October<br><br>9.00am  | All<br>year<br>groups | Online safety<br>parent work-<br>shop | Come and learn how to keep your child safe on the internet. Find out how to manage your child's screen time and make the most of their computer skills.  |
| Tuesday 31st<br>October<br><br>9.00am  | Yr 3 - 6              | Reading                               | Learn about how to support your child at home with reading.  |
| Tuesday 7th<br>November<br><br>2.00pm  | All<br>year<br>groups | SEND Coffee<br>Afternoon              | With Edyta Zjawiony from the Lambeth Autism Advice Service and Marima Kandeh from Autism Voice, a charity working to enhance the health and well-being of children with autism and/or learning disabilities and their families from mainly Black, Asian & Minority Ethnic Communities. |
| Tuesday 14th<br>and Thursday<br>16th<br>November<br><br>Timings to be<br>confirmed | All<br>year<br>groups | Parent/carers<br>Evening              | Meet with your child's class teacher to find out how your child is doing in their new year group. You will be sent information for how to book your appointment closer to the time.  |
| Tuesday 21st<br>November<br><br>9.00am   | Y1 - 2                | Maths                                 | Learn how we teach maths at Sunnyhill and how you can support your child at home.  |
| Tuesday 28th<br>November<br><br>9.00am   | Year 3 -<br>6         | Spelling and<br>handwriting           | Learn how we teach spelling and handwriting at Sunnyhill and how you can support your child to learn spelling patterns and rules.  |

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## Cross Country Competition

A small number of our Year 5 & 6 children attended the cross-country running competition this week. It is the first time that we have entered this competition and we are through to the next round! I'll keep you updated.....



## Sunnyhill Football Team

It's great to see the Sunnyhill Football Team back in action this term! Wayne has returned to train the team and is accompanying them to their Saturday morning matches. Their first match this season is tomorrow.

***Go Sunnyhill!***

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## Term Dates 2023/2024

| Term  | Start Date  | Finish Date  | Number of days |
|---|---|--|----------------|
| Term One  | INSET DAY 1&2 - 1st & 4th September 2023<br>Tuesday, 5th September 2023 | Friday, 20th October 2023                              | 36 days        |
| Holiday Monday, 23rd October 2023 – Friday, 27th October 2023           |   |  |                |
| Term Two  | Monday, 30th October 2023   | Thursday, 21st December 2023                           | 39 days        |
| Christmas Holiday Friday, 22nd December 2023 – Friday, 5th January 2024 |   |  |                |
| Term Three  | INSET DAY 3 - 8th January 2024<br>Tuesday, 9th January 2024             | Friday, 9th February 2024                              | 25 days        |
| Holiday Monday, 12th February 2024 – Friday, 16th February 2024         |   |  |                |
| Term Four   | Monday, 19th February 2024  | Thursday 28th March 2024                               | 29 days        |
| Easter Holiday Friday, 29th March 2024 – Friday, 12th April 2024        |   |  |                |
| Term Five   | INSET DAY 4 - 12th April 2024<br>Monday, 15th April 2024                | Friday, 24th May 2024                                  | 30 days        |
| Holiday Monday, 27th May 2024 – Friday, 31st May 2024                   |   |  |                |
| Term Six  | Monday, 3rd June 2024   | Friday, 19th July 2024<br>INSET DAY 5 - 22nd July 2024 | 36 days        |
|   |   |  | 195 days       |