

**Celebration Assembly**  
Come and join us each week to celebrate your child's learning.  
Sutterton 9:00 am  
Swineshead 2:30 pm

## Welcome to Autumn Term 2

We hope you've had a good half-term although it did seem to go very quickly. The federation benefits greatly from our real sense of community and support and the harvest donations were greatly appreciated.

As the winter begins it is highly likely that there will be strains in the community. Whether renting or paying a mortgage; housing and fuel costs are becoming a real burden. I urge as many of you as possible to take up the offer of Universal Free School Meals in Reception and Key Stage 1. Older children may also be eligible for Free School Meals.

The PTFA at both schools also support with clothing donations. They work tirelessly to provide lots of fun things for the children including setting up a project for the School Council at Sutterton to create their own business plan and a budget for things the children would like to see. They are also part-funding the pantomime this year which will be great fun!

The federation is working hard on all its improvement areas and we had a visit from our Local Authority advisor who was full of praise for the hard work the school is doing. We are so proud of our children and our staff work tirelessly to provide a good education and support for all learners. We are also very grateful for your support and please get in touch with the school if there's anything you want to raise, or we can help address.

*Mrs C Collett*

**Executive Headteacher**

## Lego Therapy

Lego based therapy is a social development program that uses LEGO activities to support the development of a wide range of social skills within a group setting. Playing with LEGO promotes social interaction, turn-taking skills, sharing, collaborative problem-solving and the learning of concepts. It can be used to target goals around social skills, language, and motor skills.

Federation staff will receive training on using Lego Therapy in Growing Acorns, our lunchtime nurture and pastoral club or during targeted interventions.

## Staffing News

Following an extensive recruitment process by The Emmaus Federation, we are delighted to announce **Mrs Teri Brown** as Head of School for Sutterton Fourfields from January 2023.

Mrs Brown grew up in Boston. She read English and Science as part of her teacher training degree later becoming a Senior Leader in Education for English and Assessment for Learning. This role allowed her to work closely with the Connect Teaching School Alliance in order to share her expertise when delivering training to trainee teachers and NQTs.

Mrs Brown has previously led Fishtoft Academy through an Ofsted inspection receiving a Good with aspects of Outstanding. Prior to that, she was part of the team that took Staniland Academy to Outstanding. More recently, she has been the Assistant Head of an independent SEMH school.

Mrs Brown lives locally and has a teenage son. She previously was a governor at The Emmaus Federation when her son was at Swineshead School and during this time she provided a wealth of knowledge and experience to both the Governing Body and the school team, and we are delighted that she is now officially the new Head of School and part of the senior leadership team at The Emmaus Federation.

In more staffing news, Mrs Chloe Saxon, the current Year 6 teacher at Sutterton, has been offered a new job which is very close to her home and has reduced working hours. Mrs Saxon returned from maternity leave in July and has applied for a position which allows her to spend more time with her young family. We will miss Mrs Saxon's enthusiasm, warmth and the energised commitment and understanding she has shown towards every pupil she has worked with and supported. We are currently advertising for a new class teacher and our focus is to ensure we continue to provide the same excellent teaching standards as Mrs Saxon.

Miss Rogers, a Year 5/6 TA at Swineshead, is expecting a baby in the New Year and will start her maternity leave in December.



## Children in Need

To raise funds for Children in Need, we are inviting children to wear non uniform on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November and to make a donation should they so wish. The suggested donation is £1 but any amount you are able to give is wonderful. The theme of the non-uniform is something yellow or spotty.

## Professional Development and Progress Against School Improvement Areas

The federation's school development plan identifies the areas for improvement, and it is the responsibility for all staff members to work towards achieving the success criteria identified within it. The federation is working closely with several teaching school alliances who now hold the funding from the Department for Education to provide school-to-school support and professional development with the intent that The Emmaus Federation continues to be a forward-thinking, progressive school that offers a strong education for all. We use the Foundations of Best Practice: a list of essential and non-negotiable features of a good or better learning environment. This is just a sample of some of the improvement work that is going into the federation this year. The federation continues to provide a wide range of professional development, resources and support for all staff to ensure we achieve our vision: 'Small Village, Big Horizons'.

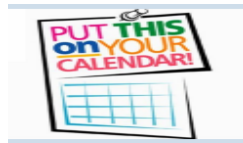


<b>Early Years Foundation Stage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EYFS 'I Can' statements to identify the checkpoints in a pupil's learning each term</li> <li>• EYFS and Year 1 Curriculum and Assessment professional development through L.E.A.D.</li> <li>• Sutterton is part of the L.E.A.D Early Vocabulary Project which looks at improving language in EYFS and KS1</li> <li>• Improved Forest School plans with the overview incorporated into our termly plans and I Can statements</li> <li>• Improvements to our Foundations of Best practice for Forest School</li> </ul>
<b>Phonics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roll-out of Little Wandle Rapid Catch-Up Phonics in Autumn 2 for pupil's in KS2 who need to improve their reading fluency</li> <li>• L.E.A.D. phonics audit for Sutterton through L.E.A.D to spot-check our provision and identify any areas of improvement</li> <li>• Additional Little Wandle training for all staff</li> </ul>
<b>SEND</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B Squared is a new school improvement management system that supports the SENCo and school staff to precisely identify areas of need and relevant support ensuring that the targets for pupils are tight and effective</li> <li>• Sutterton is part of a school improvement package called sSENS which audits our provision, provides training and support for all staff and support for individual needs such as behaviour.</li> </ul>
<b>Behaviour</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A new behaviour policy and statement that is being implemented by all staff with very clear and tangible results</li> <li>• Improvements to the Foundations of Best Practice for behaviour</li> <li>• Training for staff on therapeutic interventions: sensory circuits and Lego therapy</li> <li>• Growing Acorns lunchtime nurture club</li> <li>• A Behaviour Improvement Mentor at Swineshead</li> <li>• Further support for Sutterton through the tailored support packages from sSENS</li> </ul>
<b>Maths</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All staff fully engaged with White Rose Maths (WRM) with an effective roll-out for all children</li> <li>• Maths leaders receive continued training and support through the Maths Hub</li> <li>• Maths leaders ensure all training is cascaded to all staff members</li> <li>• Sum Dog competitions</li> <li>• Revised timetables to ensure WRM is delivered in full with fidelity to the scheme</li> </ul>
<b>Attendance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attendance Champions: Mrs Hutchinson for Swineshead and Ms Williams for Sutterton</li> <li>• All staff involved with recording, checking and monitoring attendance are receiving further training and support through the local authority attendance package.</li> </ul>
<b>English</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A new scheme of work for Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling with daily learning mapped out in revised timetables and embedded within literacy learning</li> <li>• Whole class guided reading for pupils who are not in a Little Wandle guided reading group</li> <li>• Additional reading sessions for those children who are falling behind with their reading</li> <li>• Accelerated Reader for children from Year 2 onwards</li> <li>• Leaders are auditing all of reading books to ensure they are match correctly for each child (also part of the L.E.A.D. phonics audit)</li> </ul>
<b>Middle Leadership</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further support, mentoring and training from senior leaders</li> <li>• Training for all middle leaders through L.E.A.D. on effective subject leadership</li> </ul>

As you can see, the federation has a clear focus with a great of investment and support for our school team to ensure that our federation is providing the very best for our pupils by accessing the very best professional development that is out there. We ensure that our staff have time to undertake professional development and time to implement any changes. I am sure you can see how invested we are in providing the best for your child and supporting our highly valued and respected school staff. The curriculum changes do mean that many pupils are no longer with the same school staff and the same pupils day-in, day-out, but move to learning opportunities such as guided reading or phonics which best match the knowledge they need to acquire and the development of skills that they need to receive.

### Sutterton Diary Dates

<b>31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>Start of Term 2</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	EYFS 2023 Open Morning at 9:15 – 10:15 am
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	PTFA meeting via Teams at 7:30 pm
7 <sup>th</sup> November	PTFA Bonfire Disco
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Small school football competition
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Assembly and Richmond learning at 9:00 am
17 <sup>th</sup> November	EYFS 2023 Open Afternoon at 1:30 – 2:30 pm
16 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Anti-Bullying Learning
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need (non uniform)
18 <sup>th</sup> November	NCPC Y5/Y6 Stay Safe Workshops
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Phoenix learning in celebration assembly
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Indoor kwik cricket
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Hyde learning in celebration assembly
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	International Day of Disabilities
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	PTFA Christmas Jumper Swap-Shop
5 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Nativity – evening
8 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS 2023 Opening Morning at 9:15 – 10:15 am
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5/6 indoor athletics
9 <sup>th</sup> December	PTFA Christmas Fete at 3:00 – 5:00 pm
12 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity – afternoon and evening
13 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas lunch
14 <sup>th</sup> December	School pantomime
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas church service at 9:30 am
<b>16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>End of Term 2</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Start of Term 3</b>



### Swineshead Diary Dates

<b>31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>Start of Term 2</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Flu jabs
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	EYFS 2023 Open Morning at 9:15 – 10:15 am
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	PTFA meeting
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Large school football competition
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Lindisfarne learning celebration assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Assembly & Ramsey learning 2:30
16 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Anti-Bullying Learning
17 <sup>th</sup> November	EYFS 2023 Open Afternoon at 1:30 – 2:30 pm
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need (non uniform)
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Kelso learning in celebration assembly
18 <sup>th</sup> November	NCPC Y5/Y6 Stay Safe Workshops
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Indoor kwik cricket
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Crowland learning in celebration assembly
25 <sup>th</sup> November	PTFA non uniform – sports themed
1 <sup>st</sup> December	PTFA Disco
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	PTFA Chocolate Bingo Night
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Tintern learning in celebration assembly
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	International Day of Disabilities
6 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity at 9:30 am
6 <sup>th</sup> December	PTFA wreath making
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Sempringham learning at 9:00 am
7 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity at 1:30 pm
8 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS 2023 Opening Morning at 9:15 – 10:15 am
8 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity at 5:30 pm
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
9 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Musical Extravaganza at 1:15 pm
13 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas lunch
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas church service at 1:30 pm
16 <sup>th</sup> December	School pantomime
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Village Xmas Fete
<b>16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>End of Term 2</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Start of Term 3</b>



### Safeguarding

Should you have any concerns regarding the safety or wellbeing of a child then you should report this immediately. You can report this to the school or directly to Children and Young People's Services (Social Services).

Children and Young People's Services Emergency Contact Information Lincolnshire:

During Office hours contact the Children Services

Customer Service Centre (CSC) on 01522 782111. Email: [lscb@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:lscb@lincolnshire.gov.uk).

Out of Office Hours (24-hours) contact the Emergency Duty Team (EDT) on 01522 782333.

The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) for Sutterton is Ms Williams and Mrs Hutchinson is the DSL for Swineshead.

Safeguarding concerns can also be reported to Mrs Gray at Sutterton or Mrs Collett for both Sutterton and Swineshead as they are the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads.

### Remembrance



We will be holding a Service of Remembrance on Friday 11th November and we are keen for ex or serving military personnel to come in and speak to the children. As a mark of respect, we will be holding our minutes silence as a sign of respect and for a time of reflection. The Emmaus Federation are selling poppies this week and next. Join us in raising money for The Royal British Legion. Please contact the school office or Mrs Collett on Dojo if you or a family member/friend can contribute to the service.

### Cold Weather

The weather is definitely getting colder. Please ensure that your child has a suitable coat to wear for school with their name clearly marked.

