



Welcome to the November edition of Sunnylands News!

We have a busy half term ahead as we look forward to celebrating our 70th birthday and Christmas! Excitement awaits!

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to our fundraising 5k, to raise money towards a defibrillator. Together we raised £1100!! Amazing!

Thank you also to everyone who put blue tokens in the Sunnylands slot in Tesco. We have just been told we will be rewarded with £1,000 to continue to develop our garden area.

We have also been awarded the Oak Award, the highest, in Forest School. Miss McConkey and Mrs Nelson went along to collect this with Miss McConkey presenting to everyone about Forest School in Sunnylands. We also have a write up in UTU news!

At Sunnylands we are always working to ensure our pupils are given maximum opportunities in their learning and lots of different experiences. It was lovely to have this recognised by Forest School.

Children in Need

We will be taking part in Children in Need Day on Friday 17th November. The theme for this day is Spottacular and therefore we are asking pupils to wear something 'Spotty' alongside their normal clothes. There will be a £2 donation for Children in Need..



Strike Action – Important Notice!

On Thursday 16th November a number of unions, of non teaching staff, are holding a one day strike on pay and conditions. The nature of this action means different school will be affected in different ways. The outcome of this, for our school, is that, we cannot provide meals nor adequate supervision for our pupils beyond 12noon. School will therefore close at 12noon on that day..

Dates for your Diary

- Wed 15th Nov – Sunnylands is 70 event
- Thurs 16th Nov – School closes at 12noon
- Sat 11th and 18th Nov – SEAG test for P7
- Thurs 23rd Nov – Games night 6pm – 7:30pm
- Thurs 7th Dec – Toy Fair
- Tues 19th and Wed 20th Dec – Christmas Play
- Thurs 21st Dec – finish for Christmas at 12noon

Toy Fair

We are again asking that the community donate any toys that are in good condition and no longer needed to school. We will then have a toy fair, giving parents the opportunity to come along and collect any items of use to them for Christmas. These toys will all be offered free of charge.

Please leave an entrance.
Thank you



Community Christmas Tree Switch on

We will be participating in the, now annual, Christmas Tree Switch On at Carrickfergus Community Church. Our pupils will be making decorations to hang on the tree. The choir will sing at the service on Sunday 26th November, church opens at 5:30pm for a 6pm start. The light switch on will be at 7pm. Come along and join the celebrations





SUNNYLANDS is 70!

You are invited!

When? - Wednesday 15th November 2023

2:00PM - 6:00PM

Sunnylands Primary School

11:00 - 12:00 - P1 - P4 Parents invited

2:00 - 3:00PM - P5 - P7 parents invited

All pupils will be taking part during both times with a Tour through the Decade

3:15 - 5:45PM - Come and take a walk down memory lane through our corridors and classrooms.

Refreshments provided.

We'd love you to come and reminisce with us!



SUNNYLANDS is 70!

Did you attend Sunnylands PS between 1953 and 2023? If so, we would love for you to be part of our celebrations!

Send a short video of yourself telling us:
Your Name

When you came to Sunnylands PS
Your favourite memory of your time at SPS



Email to jlyons481@c2kmi.net by 1st November 2023!

Celebrating 70 years!!

Come and join us on Wednesday 15th November to celebrate 70 years of Sunnylands

The children have all been practicing a range of songs as we take a look through the decades of music. We will be performing these on 15th November for all our visitors, we would ask that you carefully read the times below to allow everyone the opportunity to see the children perform.

P1-P4 parents are invited to come along for an 11am start to watch the performance, on the 15th.

P5-P7 parents are invited to come along in the afternoon, performance starts at 2pm on the 15th

These arrangements are to ensure there is enough room for everyone in the hall.

All children will be released from their usual entrances at 3pm (including P1 and P2) at 3pm.. There are no after school clubs that afternoon.

Everyone is invited to walk around the school and reminisce from 3:15pm that afternoon. Please come along and support our school and have fun at the celebrations.

