



Thoughtfulness and Respect

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Words of Welcome..... This Sunday is World Religion Day. The aim of the day being to unite everyone, whatever their faith, by showing us all that there are common foundations to all religions and that together we can help humanity and live in harmony. Today, following an assembly about world religion day, each class will be given a religion to find out about. Celebrating the similarities in different faiths and understanding other religions, encourages us to be more respectful of others beliefs and shows us how we can work together to create a better world. We hope the children will share with you what they have found out about their classes' religion today.



Diary dates:

- Fri 22nd Jan Parents' Cook and Eat session 2
- Fri 22nd Jan Youth Club Party – Members only
- Wed 27th Jan Governor Meeting 5:30 p.m.
- Wed 10th Feb Parents Evening – 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
- Thurs 11th Feb Parents Evening – 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Fri 12th Feb School closed to children – staff training
- w/b 9th May Y6 SATs week

See more diary dates on the School Events Calendar on the website.
www.sandfordhill.org.uk/event-created

Choir trip

Today 25 of our choir children will be travelling with staff and parents to the Genting Arena in Birmingham to take part in a 'Young Voices' concert along with thousands of others. Providing children with the opportunity to sing with so many others, alongside incredible artists has a massive impact on the children involved. One of the highlights of the whole process is to see the pride that the children have in their own performance, with the massive sense of achievement gained from rehearsing over so many months and finally performing in such a large arena. We wish them all a fantastic time!



Well done 'Bloggers of the week'!

This week we have 2 winners. Firstly Mrs Carney's blog about her science session, where they did amazing alkaline/acidity experiments. Secondly Layla in Y6 for her reply to an earlier blog: "The War Game is one of my favourite books that I have read in school. Learning about World War 2 and life in the trenches was really fascinating. The fact they stopped the war on Christmas day and played football with the Germans was really shocking! After reading the book, we watched the DVD. It was a good book to choose and I want to thank all of the Year 6 staff for choosing such an amazing book!"

'Tweet of the Week'

This week, in case you didn't see it, the tweet is about the reading race taking place in each class. To move forward in the race, the children are challenged to read 4 times a week at home. Please encourage your child to read at home and support them in their race to the finish line!

Clubs

This week it was lovely to see so many of our children taking part in the extensive range of clubs that are run before and after school and during lunchtimes. It is such a fantastic opportunity for the children to learn new activities, develop their skills and broaden their friendships beyond their class peers. If your child is signed up for a course, please do ensure they attend as many were oversubscribed.

Also there are a few places left on the following clubs:

KS1 – Y1/2 Skipping Tues at 8:15 a.m.

KS2 – Y5/6 Girls Cricket Wednesday at 8:15 a.m.; Y5/6 High Fives Wednesday at 8:15 a.m.; Y5/6 Glee Club Wednesday 3:15 to 4:15 p.m.; Y5/6 Fencing Thursday at 8:15 a.m.; Y3/4 Fencing Friday at 8:15 a.m.

Please use the slip at the end of the newsletter if you would like a place. They will be on a first come first served basis.



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School Attendance					
Our weekly school attendance for last week was 97.4% which is above our school attendance target of 96.5%.					
F1/1	99.3%	Y1/1	98.7%	Y4/1	99.3%
F1/2	97.3%	Y1/2	96.3%	Y4/2	98.7%
F1/3	100%	Y2/1	99.3%	Y5/1	94.3%
F1/4	98.6%	Y2/2	98.0%	Y5/2	96.8%
F2/1	97.3%	Y3/1	96.7%	Y6/1	97.1%
F2/2	100%	Y3/2	97.3%	Y6/2	94.8%
				Y6/3	96.3%

The Tony Hughes Award:
This medallion is presented each week, in memory of our former Chairman of the PTFA, to a child from each class who has shown 'Thoughtfulness and Respect'.

Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner
FS1/1	Harry Broome	Y3/1	Ruby Johnson
FS1/2	Sienna-Mae Hopkin-Jama	Y3/2	Jacob Colclough
FS2/1	Patryk Wozniak	Y4/1	Ayla Pervaz
FS2/2	Isobel Shenton	Y4/2	Demi Williams
Y1/1	Keira Cooper	Y5/1	William Grocock
Y1/2	Ethan Budd	Y5/2	Tamjeed Majeed
Y2/1	Ben Turnock	Y6/1	Elliott Webber
Y2/2	Gabrielle Moores	Y6/2	Chloe Hughes
		Y6/3	Thomas Woodall

Headteacher's Star Awards:
Congratulations are sent to the following children who won the Head Teacher's Star Award last week for their hard work, attitude and/or progress:

Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner
FS1/1	Lacey Comber	Y3/1	Sophia Kelemes
FS1/2	Belle-Elise Foy	Y3/2	Evie Wilkes-Price
FS2/1	Jessica Miller	Y4/1	Tyler Edge
FS2/2	Maisy-Lee Barker	Y4/2	Brooklyn Cartwright
Y1/1	Liam Tallent	Y5/1	Janah Khan
Y1/2	James Holder-Boast	Y5/2	Tegan Day
Y2/1	Leya Elliott	Y6/1	Bethany Bridgwood
Y2/2	Isabelle Taylor	Y6/2	Kieran Humphreys
		Y6/3	Sharni Eaton

Notices:

- **25% off Last few Calendars**
If you haven't yet got your school calendar we have a last few left for sale at £3 each. Please go to the school office.
 - **Winter Special Dinner Menu – Thursday 21st Jan**
Next Thursday the kitchen will be serving a Winter Special menu consisting of: Hot Dog with Onions; Battered Fish Fillet; Quorn Cheeseburger in a Bap; Chipped potatoes and Ringed Doughnut. If your child would like a meal on this day then make sure the £2.20 is sent in on Monday morning in a labelled envelope, or £11 for the full week.
 - **Snowy Weather**
Please assume that the school is open unless you receive a ParentMail text telling you otherwise. Thank you.
- Congratulations**
Very well done to Aaron Smith who received a certificate for Excellence 1st Class at Go-Kan-Ryu Karate. Congratulations Aaron!

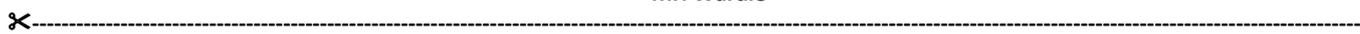
And Finally

The last two Tuesdays our Y2 classes have travelled to Pizza Express in Buxton to learn about the ingredients and making of pizzas. It was with some surprise and pleasure that this week I received an e-mail from a resident of Buxton, who had made the effort to find out our school website and e-mail address and sent the following message:

"I have to write to you as my husband and I live opposite Pizza Express in Buxton and this last couple of weeks have seen your pupils attending Pizza Express. They look so well behaved and are a credit to you. It's so nice to see them all in uniform, leaving in their chef's hats and aprons! It has been a great pleasure to watch, thank you." It makes me so proud of our children and the school that they have clearly made such an impact that someone would go to that trouble. Well done Y2 and their teachers.

Best wishes

Mr. Wardle



Last few Spring 2016 club spaces

Name: _____ Class: _____

Would like a place on [please tick]:

KS1

Y1/2 Skipping Tues at 8:15 a.m.

KS2

Y5/6 Girls Cricket Wed at 8:15 a.m.; Y5/6 High Fives Wed at 8:15 a.m.; Y5/6 Glee Club Wed 3:15 to 4:15 p.m.;

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Signed: _____ PRINT NAME: _____ Date: _____

You will receive a letter if your child has been allocated a place.