BREAKING NEWS:

NO CLUBS **Except Glee and Cooking** due to OPEN EVENINGS NEXT WEEK (Crèche available)

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Diary dates:

30th - 4th May - NO CLUBS (except Glee) due to OPEN EVENINGS Mon 30th Apr Y5/6 HOME Football match against Eaton Park

Tues 1st May Open Evening 1 - Crèche available Wed 2nd May PTFA Meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Thurs 3rd May Open Evening 2 - Crèche available

Fri 4th May Swimming starts for Y2

Mon 7th May School closed - May Bank Holiday Thur 10th May Y3/2 Miss Harrison's Class Assembly

Mon 14th May Y5 Bikeability - in school time Mon 14th May Y4 Bikeability - after school Tues 15th May Y5 Bikeability - in school time Tues 15th May Y4 Bikeability - after school

Thur 17th May Y1 to Longton Park Thur 17th May Governors' Meeting

14th - 18th May SATS Week

26th May - 3rd June Half Term Break

Mon 4th June SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN - Staff Training Day

Sat 30th June Summer Fayre

Welcome

Every week I lead the school assemblies and **DINOSAURS** sometimes I read the children a story with an important message to share. This week, I have read the Y1/2 children "Dinosaurs and all that rubbish" by Michael Foreman. The message in this story is an environmental one, about the need to look after the



planet and particularly the place where we live. We are very proud of our gardeners who are working hard in the poly tunnel to plant out various vegetables from seed. They are working wonders helping to improve our school environment. Thank you to the gardening

club children, Mrs Carney, Mrs Gerrard and

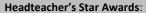
grandad, Mr Coleman.

We do need to ask for the help of all our children and parents/ carers too please, as we seem to have so much litter around the school. Please can we all make sure that all rubbish gets put in the bins around the building to keep our school tidy. Thank you.

Sports Days

We do try to give as much notice for parents/carers as we can, so please find below the dates of this year's Sports Days:

	Sports Day	Reserve Day	
FSU	Wed 13 th June - 9:00 a.m.	Thurs 14 th June - 9:00 a.m.	
Y1/Y2	Thurs 21 st June - 9:00 a.m.	Fri 22 nd June - 9:00 a.m.	
Y3/Y4	Tues 26 th June - 1:15 p.m.	Tues 3 rd July - 1:15 p.m.	
Y5/Y6	Tues 26 th June - 9:00 a.m.	Tues 3 rd July - 9:00 a.m.	



Congratulations to these 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	Kayden Corr	Y3/1	Kai Arif
FS1/2	Harper Burns	Y3/2	Mason Lomax
FS2/1	Michelle Macharaga	Y4/1	Amelia Ali
FS2/2	Mollie Barker	Y4/2	Finnley Playford
Y1/1	Dominic Majocha	Y5/1	David Moores
Y1/2	Tayla Dedicoat	Y5/2	Thomas Kelemes
Y2/1	Declan Barnes	Y6/1	Lucy Bocca
Y2/2	Joseph Steele	Y6/2	Jesse Addai

News in Brief

• Y1/1 Firefighters!

Yesterday, it was Mrs Smith's class turn to visit Longton Fire Station. The fire crews showed the children the aerial ladder platform, hose reel jet and talked to them about fire safety. What a fabulous visit - Well done Y1/1!



• Y5 Scientists controlling fire

On Monday, the sixteen members of Science Club visited the Sixth



Form College to see what it's like in a laboratory. They carried out some flame tests using a Bunsen burner and made some slime. They finished off with a chemical reaction in a test tube which made a great popping sound when the gas created was lit with a flame. Thanks ever so much to Richard who invited us along and arranged all of the activities.

• Reception Maths Workshop

Our Reception staff would like to say a massive thank you to all those parents and carers who attended their Maths Workshop on Wednesday morning. Your support is very much appreciated and we hope you found the lesson useful, and the activities fun and engaging. Well done everybody!



PTFA - Friends of Sandford Hill

Our next PTFA meeting is being held in the community Wednesday 2nd May at 9:00 a.m. room on

DO PLEASE FEEL FREE TO COME ALONG!













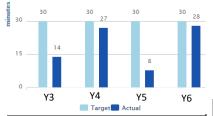






Reading Challenge

Children should read 30 minutes every day to significantly improve their reading ability.



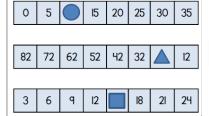
The Tony Hughes Award for 'Thoughtfulness and Respect'

This medallion, in memory of our former Chairman of the PTFA, is presented each week to a worthy child from each class.

N1	Hunter Hamilton		
N2	Elizabeth Dos-Santos-Davies		
F2/1	Oliver Hambleton		
F2/2	Ravyn Mandley		
Y1/1	Isabella Jones		
Y1/2	Olivia Morton		
Y2/1	Tamzin Pitt		
Y2/2	Isabel Salt		
Y3/1	Lotti Cooper		
Y3/2	Kyla Austin		
Y4/1	Lillie-Mae Wild		
Y4/2	Aiden Smith		
Y5/1	Ryan Bridgett		
Y5/2	Tyler Hazeldine		
Y6/1	Lewis Payne		
Y6/2 Joel Walton			

Maths Challenge 1

Here are three number patterns.



Three numbers are covered.

Can you order the symbols from the least to the greatest value?

NOTICES

• Open Evenings - Nursery to Y5

We look forward to welcoming our parents/carers to our Open Evenings next Tuesday and Thursday. Can we ask that you please remember to consider our neighbours by only parking in the school car park or away from the school and walking the last distance. Thank you.

• Can you help please?

On Wednesday afternoon this week, Ryan's coat, Y5, went missing following their PE lesson at the end of the day. Ryan has searched the school for his coat, but cannot find it anywhere. If your child has a hooded coat that is black at the top and blue lower down, please can you check to see if it has Ryan's name in it. Thank you.

Sporting News

• Sporting Summer!

The summer term is always a busy term for sports as the weather, hopefully, improves. We have lots of fixtures penciled in the diary, starting with a Y5/6 football match on next Monday 30th April, straight after school, here at Sandford Hill Primary. Do try and come along and support the team.

Then in the following weeks we have: swimming starting next week for Y2; Y4 cricket coaching on a Thursday afternoon; a Y3/4 Mini Tennis Tournament at Trentham; a KS2 Tri-Golf at Trentham; Bikeability for our Y4 and Y5 children; Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 Football Festival Finals at Crescent Academy; Y4, 5 and 6 Kwik Cricket; Y5/6 Mini-Hockey; Athletics at Northwood; and our school Sports Days for all children. It will definitely be a very active term. Good luck to all of the children that represent the school in any of our sports.

• A final run!

Well done to our cross-country runners who raced at Trentham Academy in their final race of the year. Congratulations to Jak Kelsall, Lewis Leese-Spencer, Ubaid Khan, Kaddi Kassama who came in 7th, Rosa Aziz - 8th, Libby Barwise - 10th, Isobell Martin - 11th and Ryan Bridgett who came a fantastic 2nd place, out of the field of 30 children.

• Obstacle Fun!

On Monday, eleven of our Y2 children competed in an Obstacle Relay at Oakhill Primary. Our fantastic racers finished in 2nd place overall, just one point behind the winners. Well done to: Jordell-Leroy Addai, Harrison Barker, Jasper Barker, Oliver Chetwynd, Lucy Dawson, Evie-Rose Myatt, Adena Perry, Sian Smith, Isla Swinswood, Alexander Salt and Isabel Salt.

Congratulations

We have a few more swimming awards:

- Bessie Ryan achieved her Rainbow Distance 25 metre award;
- Grace Hallam passed her Learn to Swim 2 Award;
- Ellie-Mae Gething received her Rainbow Distance 15 metre;
- Lucas Campbell achieved his STAnley 7 Award.

Very well done to all of you. Just keep swimming!

Blog Of The Week this week goes to Y2 who were so concerned about Mr Grinling's seagull problem (in the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch) that they decided to design their own 'seagull-proof' container! The range of fantastic ideas that the children came up with were amazing. Well done Year 2, your ideas and designs were fantastic. Do have a look for yourself.

Tweet of the Week goes to our Book Fair tweet inviting parents/carers to take advantage of a 3 for 2 book purchase deal. Many of you did and thanks to that we will receive £396 towards books for the children - a win-win all round for reading!



And Finally ...

With two more weeks before our KS2 SATs, we would like to thank our Year 6 children for their continued hard work and commitment. Just remember:

"The best way to predict your future is to create it!"

Have an enjoyable weekend!

Mr Wardle

School Attendance

Our school attendance for this week is **97.4%** which is above our school attendance target of 96.5%

F1/1	90.0%	Y2/2	97.7%
F1/2	97.3%	Y3/1	96.8%
F1/3	100%	Y3/2	99.0%
F1/4	98.7%	Y4/1	98.0%
F2/1	98.1%	Y4/2	99.3%
F2/2	100%	Y5/1	93.4%
Y1/1	91.0%	Y5/2	99.3%
Y1/2	99.0%	Y6/1	97.0%
Y2/1	98.0%	Y6/2	99.3%

Maths Challenge 2

Fin the missing value.

$$4\frac{2}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$$

