

Thoughtfulness  
and RespectIssue 29 - 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018

## BREAKING NEWS:

IT'S GOING TO BE A SUNNY  
BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND!

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## Diary dates:

Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed - May Bank Holiday
Thur 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3/2 Miss Harrison's Class Assembly
14 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS Week
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 Bikeability - in school time
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Bikeability - after school
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 Bikeability - in school time
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Bikeability - after school
Thur 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Y1 to Longton Park
Thur 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Governors' Meeting
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 to WaterWorld
21 <sup>st</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup> May	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK
26 <sup>th</sup> May - 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half Term Break
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> June	SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN - Staff Training
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> June	PTFA Friends of Sandford Hill Meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> /20 <sup>th</sup> June	Cultural Diversity Days
25 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Week
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Sporty Summer Fayre
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of Term

## Headteacher's Star Awards:

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	Michelle Wong	Y3/1	James Holder-Boast
FS1/2	Charmian Humphreys	Y3/2	Keira Cooper
FS2/1	Haerrison Colclough	Y4/1	Freya Espley
FS2/2	Max Wild	Y4/2	Saimone Sevakasiga
Y1/1	Neve Bentley	Y5/1	Caitlin Cooper
Y1/2	Lexi-Jean Braithwaite	Y5/2	Joel Farooq
Y2/1	Lucy Dawson	Y6/1	Lewis Leese-Spencer
Y2/2	Blake Wray	Y6/2	Hubert Chrostek

## Welcome

This week, to coincide with our Open Evenings, we invited parents/carers to respond to our survey on ParentMail about their child(ren) in school. We had a fantastic 299 responses and we are extremely pleased with the results. As you can see below, they are overwhelmingly positive, shown by the combined 'agree' and 'strongly agree' percentages.

My child feels safe at this school.	99.7%
My child is well looked after at this school.	99.7%
This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	99.3%
This school deals effectively with bullying.	98.0%
This school supports the on-line safety of my child.	100%

Thank you to all of you that responded and for the many kind comments. We acknowledge that we are not perfect and there are always areas that we can improve on. So, please do not wait for another survey, if there is anything that your child is worried about in school, please let us know immediately. 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 <sup>th</sup> June - 9:00 a.m.	Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> June - 9:00 a.m.
Y1/Y2	Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> June - 9:00 a.m.	Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> June - 9:00 a.m.
Y3/Y4	Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> June - 1:15 p.m.	Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> July - 1:15 p.m.
Y5/Y6	Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> June - 9:00 a.m.	Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> July - 9:00 a.m.

## News in Brief

## • Last Y5 Science Workshop

Monday was the last of our run of Science Workshops led by Mrs Carney and Mr Campbell from Stoke 6th Form College. The children have done some fantastic experiments during the workshops and this week was no exception. The children had a grand finale making volcanoes and had an explosive time! Well done children and many thanks to the teachers.



## PTFA - Friends of Sandford Hill

Many thanks to our PTFA friends that came along to our meeting this Wednesday. It was great to have so many and welcome those old and new. We were busy planning our **SPORTY SUMMER FAYRE on SATURDAY 30TH JUNE - 11 - 2 p.m.** We already have some fantastic things planned including:

- Climbing wall for parents and children;
- Bee Active Family Fizzical Multi-Station Challenge
- Bouncy slide
- Penalty Shoot Out
- Medal making
- Glee Club Dance
- Choir 'The Last Showman'
- Loads of games and fun

We will also be having our ever-popular Tombolas, Nearly New, Raffle and Auction (subject to us receiving enough prizes/donations. On that note - if you have any contacts with businesses that we/you could approach for a prize/donation, then please speak to Miss Morton in the office. Thank you and make sure you put the date in your diary.





Is your child reading regularly at home?



"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." -Dr Seuss

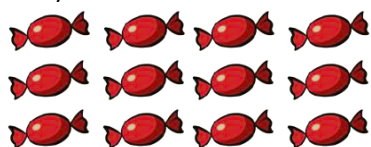
### The Tony Hughes Award for 'Thoughtfulness and Respect'

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

N1	Poppy Johnson
N2	Genevieve Gillie
F2/1	Max Bridgett
F2/2	Kian Davies
Y1/1	Rae Bowman
Y1/2	Leyton Howle
Y2/1	Alex Salt
Y2/2	Maisy-Lee Barker
Y3/1	Ava Challinor
Y3/2	Amina Khan
Y4/1	Kayleigh Wootton
Y4/2	Lacie McGraw
Y5/1	Lewis Myatt
Y5/2	Ryan Hibbert
Y6/1	Isobell Martin
Y6/2	Hubert Chrostek

### Maths Challenge 1

Danny has 12 sweets.



He gives Jess a quarter to the sweets.

He gives Mani 5 sweets.

**How many sweets does he have left?**

### • Open Evenings - Nursery to Y5

We would like to say a very big 'Thank You' to all the parents/carers who attended our Open evenings this week and before Easter (Y6). A fantastic 93% of children's parents/carers came in and met their child's teacher. We do hope you found the meetings useful. I would like to thank all the staff for their time and commitment, including those that supported the crèche which catered for over 150 children!

### • Do you know what your child is playing on?

At Sandford Hill, we are aware that many of our children are currently playing 'Fortnite: Battle Royale'. Whilst the children might be enjoying the game, it is important to consider some of the risks involved with this game. We have added a link to our website that contains some useful information for parents about Fortnite. Please visit the 'Parents' section of the website, click on the link for 'e-Safety' on the left side of the page, then click 'Useful websites' or click [here](#). Both Xbox and Playstation devices now have the option to limit the time children can spend playing online. Information on how to set up parental controls on your devices, can again be found on our website. If you have any questions or concerns about the game, please contact our e-Safety leader, Mr Hunt

### • Awesome Attendance!

This week I had a visit from our Education Welfare Officer who supports us with making sure the attendance of our children is as good as it can be, I am pleased to report that our attendance for the year so far was 96.4% which is above the National Average of 96%. A big thanks to Mrs Walker for all her hard work. Let's make sure our Summer term is as absence free as possible!

### • Stanley Head

Thank you to all those Y5 parents that are making regular payments towards their child's Autumn Term trip to Stanley Head. A gentle reminder that all payments must be completed by the end of this summer term when we are due to pay the balance. Many thanks.

### Sporting News

#### • Fantastic Football

Monday after school our Y5/6 football team played a home match against local rivals Eaton Park. The team played two matches and won both of them 1-0. Some great football and great team spirit. Well done to: **Taylor Brown, Ashton Harvey, Ethan Protaszcak, Joel Farooq, Ryan Bridgett, Charlie Bradbury, Taku Nyamayaro, Jesse Addai, Lewis Leese-Spencer and Jack Kelsall**. Thank you to the supporters that came along to watch the boys play - it really makes a difference.

### Congratulations

Well done to Ruby Landon who has passed her Grade 2 ballet exam with a Merit. Congratulations Ruby - Keep Dancing!

**Blog Of The Week** this week goes to Y3 who have been designing and making their own photo frames. They have learning some of the skills needed by making a mock frame from scrap materials first. They had lots of fun and can't wait to start making the real frame! Well done Y3.



**Tweet of the Week** goes to the two tweets specifically for the parents of Y2 and Y6 parents/carers offering useful videos with information about the forthcoming SATs tests. Do have a look at them if you can.

### And Finally ...

With safeguarding our children in mind, can I please remind that children should not be arriving at school before 8:50 a.m. Some children are arriving on their own before this time and as such they are unsupervised. Thank you for your support with this.

Have an enjoyable and warm Bank Holiday weekend!

Mr Wardle

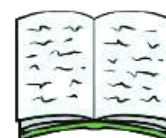
### School Attendance

Our school attendance for this week is **96.8%** 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

Freya has some money.



She buys a book for £15.

She has  $\frac{3}{8}$  of her money left.

**How much did she have at the start?**