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Thoughtfulness
and Respect



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No Youth Club this term

Words of Welcome..... This week ends with a much lighter and happier feel, now that our Y6 children have completed their KS2 SATs tests. It is always a pressured time for children and staff and feels like the culmination of seven years of learning measured in five written papers. However, we all know that this is not the case. Throughout school we are always reminding the children that there are many things which make them special and unique. Every single member of our school community has amazing talents and these talents are clearly not limited to just English and mathematics. As a school we celebrate **ALL** of our children's achievements, whether they be sporting, musical, artistic or academic. We aim to provide opportunities to enable all children to flourish and shine, no matter where their talents and interests lie. Furthermore, we strive to promote 'thoughtfulness and respect' at all times and to develop polite, well-mannered and responsible members of our community. We're very proud of all of our children, but especially our Y6 at this time, for all their hard work over the last few months.

READING CHALLENGE - % of children that read 4 times last week

FS2/1	67% ↓	Y1/1	47% ←	Y2/1	20% ↓	Y3/1	45% ↓	Y4/1	62% ↓	Y5/1	100% ✨	Y6/1	100% ✨
FS2/2	50% ↓	Y1/2	37% ↓	Y2/2	87% ↑	Y3/2	61% ↓	Y4/2	74% ↑	Y5/2	80% ←	Y6/2	97% ✨

Diary dates:

Mon 15th May	Y1/2 to Longton Fire Station
Wed 17th May	Y6 Pupils to Marrow House
Thurs 18th May	Full Governor Meeting 5:00 p.m.
Fri 19th May	Production for KS2 'Tom's Midnight Garden'
Fri 19th May	Quiz Night run by the Friends of Sandford Hill
22nd – 26th May	Science Week. Parents invited in after school Friday.
Mon 5th June	Summer 2 term starts
Thurs 8th June	School closed to children – Elections Polling Station
12th - 16th June	Y1 Phonics Week
Sat 1st July	Summer Fayre – 'At the Seaside'

CLUBS

All clubs are running normally next week.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Thurs 25th May – Y3/1 Mrs Frost's class
Thurs 15th June – Y4/2 Mr Hunt's class
Thurs 19th June – Y1/2 Mrs Stillwell's class
 Parents of these children are warmly invited to attend (9:00 a.m.).

Sports Days

Parents are warmly invited to join their children at our sports days. Let's hope for fine weather.

EYFS – Wed 14th June – 9:20 a.m. with family picnic
 [EYFS RESERVE - Thurs 15th June – timings as above]

KS1 – Wed 5th July – 9:30 a.m.
 [KS1 RESERVE – Thur 6th July – timings as above]

Y5/6 – Tues 20th June – 9:30 a.m. to midday
 [RESERVE Y5/6 – Wed 21st June – timings as above]

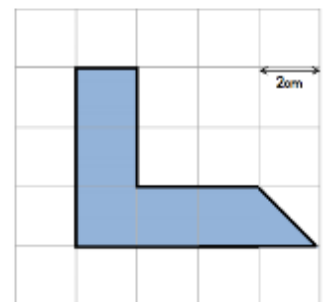
Y3/4 – Tues 20th June – 1:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 [RESERVE Y3/4 – Wed 21st June – timings as above]

Dementia Awareness

Some of our Y6 pupils are continuing our support of dementia awareness this week, by visiting Marrow House care home. The Y6 children will be talking with some of the residents and playing some games with them. In this way they will further understand some of difficulties that those with dementia face and how carers can best support them.

Mr Wardle's Maths Challenge 1

A shape has been drawn on a 2cm by 2cm square grid.



Find the area of the shape.

Blogs Of The Week - As Science Week draws ever closer, we've awarded our 'Blog Of The Week' title to our Y2 children who posted about 'Year Two Investigators'. Within the post, the children explained how they carried out an investigation to see which material would be the most absorbent. This was really important, since the children had just been informed that there had been an accident on the classroom floor, thanks to a little puppy called Naughty Nora! Luckily our Y2 scientists were there to help, as they tested different materials to see which one would absorb the most water. We'd love you to have a look at our blog and, as always, please leave us a comment.

'Tweet of the Week'

We shared this tweet at the end of the SATs: Well done to all of our fabulous Year 6 children for their splendid efforts during SATs week. You're all superstars children!

School Attendance					
Our weekly school attendance for last week was 95.8% which is below our school attendance target of 96.5%.					
F1/1	85.0%	Y1/1	94.2%	Y4/1	99.2%
F1/2	100%	Y1/2	96.7%	Y4/2	95.7%
F1/3	100%	Y2/1	95.0%	Y5/1	95.3%
F1/4	100%	Y2/2	97.5%	Y5/2	95.0%
F2/1	95.8%	Y3/1	96.8%	Y6/1	89.4%
F2/2	96.7%	Y3/2	97.6%	Y6/2	94.6%

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.			
Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner
FS1/1	Molly Burton	Y3/1	Sean Moore
FS1/2	Chloe Jefferies	Y3/2	Lily Cartlidge
FS2/1	Belle-Elise Foy	Y4/1	Ewan Robinson
FS2/2	Darcey Callaghan	Y4/2	Jacob Colclough
Y1/1	Lenny Mitchell	Y5/1	Lucy Inch
Y1/2	Jayden Wild	Y5/2	Sophia Keates
Y2/1	Freya Meyrick	Y6/1	Olivia Wetton
Y2/2	Lewis Day	Y6/2	Seth Furbur

Headteacher's Star Awards:			
Congratulations to these children who won the Head Teacher's Star Award last week for hard work, attitude and/or progress:			
Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner
FS1/1	Martha Jackson	Y3/1	Suneyna Ashiq
FS1/2	Lucy Beard	Y3/2	Lucy Greslow
FS2/1	Charlie Bryson	Y4/1	Cerys Shields
FS2/2	Skyla-Beau Roberts	Y4/2	Lauchlan Sullivan
Y1/1	Skye Sharman	Y5/1	Lucie Woolliscroft
Y1/2	Jasper Barker	Y5/2	Ellie Yeomans
Y2/1	Finley Jackson	Y6/1	John Jeffries
Y2/2	Kyle Barker	Y6/2	Janah Khan

Notices:

• Trainers

Could we please remind children and parents/carers that our school uniform includes black shoes, **not trainers**. Trainers may be brought to school in a PE bag for PE lessons, but should not be worn during the remainder of the day. Thank you.

• Clubs attendance

We have a number of children who have not attended clubs they have signed up to. Their place will be offered to any children on a waiting list if they have not attended this half term, unless they have spoken to the teacher to explain.

• Friends of Sandford Hill 'Quiz Night' - Fri 19th May - 7pm

Fancy a fun evening out? Come along to our Quiz night next Friday. Tickets available via ParentMail shop or from the office. See more on our new 'Friends of Sandford Hill' Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/FriendsofSHPS

News in Brief

• Science Week

The children are all looking forward to 'Science Week' (22nd -26th May 2017), when they will be involved in a range of different science activities and investigations. See the attached poster for more information. To help with running our activities it would really help if you could send in: 500ml or 1 litre plastic bottle (e.g. Cola bottle); a plant pot (or similar) to grow your own radish in for our 'Who can grow the biggest Radish' competition; also any old corks and cardboard egg boxes.

In addition, we would like to invite parents and carers to visit the children's classrooms after school on Friday 26th May, so that you can see what we've all been getting up to.

• Y3 Potters

Yesterday our Y3 children visited Gladstone Pottery Museum. The children learned so much about the pottery industry and were fascinated to stand inside a bottle kiln. They loved having a go at making clay flowers and created their own plate designs. Our staff received lovely comments about how well behaved Y3 were and how well they listened. Well done children.

Sports News

- Well done to all our Y4 and Y5 children who took part in and successfully completed their Bikeability training. It's great to see so many badges being worn with pride and knowing that you will now be safer when out and about on your bikes.
- Congratulations to our Y4 Tag Rugby team, which played in a tournament on Monday afternoon at Trentham Rugby Club and came a very commendable runner up. Well done to: **Ryan Bridgett, Tyler Hazeldine, Joel Farooq, Cerys Shields, Ewan Robinson, Asthon Burton, Rosa Aziz, Lauchlan Sullivan, Eddie Lomax, Ethan Protaszczak and Macy Buckley.**

Congratulations

- Well done to **Libby Barwise** who was nominated as Leek Town's football player of the match.

And Finally

This week I have not only been impressed with how well our Y6 and Y2 children have conducted themselves during the SATs, I have been equally impressed with the sensible attitude shown by the rest of the school during the tests. Children have moved around the school quietly and on one day our Foundation Stage were exceptionally well behaved at lunchtime, eating their dinner almost silently while Y6 children were working nearby. Thank you, all of you, for your thoughtfulness and respect. I was so pleased and proud of you all.


Best wishes for a pleasant weekend.

Mr Wardle

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Mr Wardle's Maths Challenge 2

A shop sells mugs.



Mark spends £10 on mugs

How many mugs does he buy?



MONDAY 22ND MAY – FRIDAY 26TH MAY

Get ready for Science Week!

Please help by bringing in the following items:

- 500ml or 1 litre plastic bottle (e.g. Cola bottle)
- a plant pot (or similar) to grow your own radish
- a fruit juice carton
- a cork
- cardboard egg boxes



Things to look forward to:
Daily Investigations
Competitions
Quizzes
Animal Lady
Fun Assemblies
KS2 Rocket Cars

