



# Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter

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School  
closed  
on  
Monday

Week 10 - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**It Begins!** In school, we have to start our build up very early due to the huge number of preparations for activities that go on in the run up to Christmas. Our PTFA, the '**Friends of Sandford Hill Primary School**', are growing in number and are such an asset to the school and our fundraising activities, so a **huge thank you** to them for all that they do behind the scenes.

This year they are taking the lead with the child designed Christmas Cards, which from my sneak preview, do look amazing. In addition, they are trying to obtain donations/gifts for our raffle, but we could always do with more. If you work for a company that might be able to make a donation we would be so grateful. Please speak to the front office.

Finally, they have written their first PTFA newsletter which will have been attached along with this one. Please do check out what is happening for the Christmas Fayre.



## Dates for your Diary

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

*School closed to pupils - Staff Training*

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

Photographs of absent children

Full Governor's Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

Y6 to National Memorial Arboretum

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

EYFS Christmas Assembly

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

EYFS Christmas Assembly

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Y3 Christmas Assembly

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

Y1 Christmas Assembly

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Y2 Christmas Assembly

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

Y5 Christmas Assembly

Children's Christmas Dinner - **NEW**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Cake Off!

Christmas Fayre / Santa's Grotto - 3:15 p.m.

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Y4 Christmas Assembly

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

Y6 Christmas Assembly

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

Last Day of Term

## Congratulations

Well done to our Y4 children: **Kyle B, Jessica B, Ava C, Keira C, Callum D, James H-B, Mason L, Isabella N, River P, David S, Callum W, Charlotte B** and **Thomas S** who represented the school at Wednesday's Sport4All Festival at Trentham High.

• Congratulations to **Isabelle Y** who has achieved her Level 5 Trampoline and her Shark 2 award in swimming.

• Well done to **Isabella J** who passed her gymnastics proficiency level 4. She also performed at the Birmingham Hippodrome on Sunday at #Gymfusion with Stoke Acro-Gym.

• Well done to **Chloe T-W** on gaining her Stanley 1 swimming award.

• Congratulations to **Ellie-Mae G** on achieving her 50m Rainbow swimming certificate.

• Well done to **Lewis Day** who has enjoyed a fabulous motocross season.



**School Attendance Target - 96.5%**  
This week is 94.9%

N1	69.2%	Y2/2	100%
N2	71.4%	Y3/1	97.3%
N3	95.0%	Y3/2	96.5%
N4	95.4%	Y4/1	96.7%
F2/1	93.3%	Y4/2	98.7%
F2/2	97.7%	Y5/1	97.3%
Y1/1	96.9%	Y5/2	96.3%
Y1/2	95.5%	Y6/1	98.6%
Y2/1	96.8%	Y6/2	98.7%

## **Info for Parents**

- **Parent Governors Elections** - We have been delighted with the nominations for the two Parent Governor positions. The ballot count will be happening after the 3:00 p.m. deadline today and we will notify you of the results and successfully elected Governors in next week's newsletter.
- **Christmas ParentMails** - We apologise to those of you with Samsung phones that may have had a display issue with the Christmas Dinner choice options. We have notified ParentMail of the issue. If you need any help at all with any of the Christmas forms on ParentMail, then please do speak to the office.
- **Tempest Photographs** - We have now received the final delivery of individual and family photographs from Tempest. The photos will be sent home on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November. If you have any issues with your orders, please contact the school office.

## **Christmas Fayre Tombola Donations**

Our tombolas are one of our most popular stalls, but we can't run them without your ever generous donations. This year a raffle ticket will go in a hat for your child for each donation and also the lead class in each phase will receive a small treat:

- w/b Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Dec is Chocolate Week
- w/b Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Dec is Toiletries Week
- w/b Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec is Bottle Week
- Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Dec is Christmas Cake Off Day!

Many thanks in advance for any donations.

## Let's care for the animals and our environment

Many thanks to our friendly local vets from Lime Trees Veterinary Hospital who led our KS1 and KS2 assemblies on Monday. Today in my assembly, I have been talking to the children about how I care for my young dog, Barney, by making sure he gets lots of exercise. However, I also told the children that when walking Barney he is forever finding and chewing on plastic bottle tops that have been dropped on the floor. The children decided that it would be great for the animals if we all followed out eco promise from



earlier in the term and make sure that rubbish is always thrown away responsibly.

## Children in Need

Thanks to your generosity for the non-uniform dress down and the KS1 and KS2 discos, we have raised a fantastic 812.34 for Children in Need. Thank you to everyone for your donations.



## Recent blog posts to look at .....

- [Animal Lady Visit To Nursery](#)
- [Y1 Wildwood](#)
- [Y1 Making Friends with Trees!](#)
- [Year 2 Star Mathematicians](#)
- [Year 2 Star Writers](#)
- [Y3 Marvellous Magnets](#)
- [Year 4 Perform Poetry Perfectly!](#)
- [Y5 Greek Costumes](#)
- [Y6 Make Do And Mend](#)

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Read more and watch videos on the blog - [sandfordhill.schoolblogs.org](http://sandfordhill.schoolblogs.org)

## Year 1 to Wildwood

Our Y1 classes have had a fantastic time visiting Wildwood this week. They collected leaves, using them to make leaf art. They found lost fairies, created magic potions and ended with melting marshmallows! A brilliant time had by all. Many thanks to the adults that came along and supported.



## Glorious Greeks!

Yesterday our Y5 children had a brilliant day as part of their learning about the Ancient Greeks. Mrs Carney's class kicked off the day with their class assembly where they shared about Icarus, Aesop and the start of the Olympic Games. Many thanks to the parents that came along to support them and also for their fantastic Greek attire. In class the children then made Greek salad, decorated plates Greek style, created masks and learned some Greek language. A great day had by all. Well done Y5.



## 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	Mollie M
N2	Sophie G
F2/1	Isla J
F2/2	Evie W
Y1/1	Lyla-Rai D
Y1/2	Michelle M
Y2/1	Tayla D
Y2/2	Joshua V
Y3/1	Tyler C
Y3/2	Gracie-Mae C
Y4/1	Keira C
Y4/2	Leo M
Y5/1	Lily C
Y5/2	Koby-Jae M
Y6/1	Grace S
Y6/2	Alisha T

## 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
N1	Darci-Jade C	Y3/1	Jessica M
N2	Winnie M	Y3/2	Skye S
FS2/1	Jacob M	Y4/1	Ruby L
FS2/2	Harper B	Y4/2	Alfie-John G
Y1/1	Abby-Jaye T	Y5/1	Gabrielle M
Y1/2	Deni R	Y5/2	Paige J
Y2/1	Charlie B	Y6/1	Joel F
Y2/2	Jenna B	Y6/2	Rebecca H

## Class Assembly Dates for Autumn Term:

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov Mr Hunt Y4/2 at 9:10 a.m.

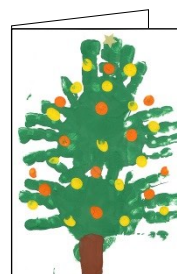
Parents/Carers are invited to watch their child.

## Don't forget to follow us...

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Twitter - @sandford\_hill

School website - [www.sandfordhill.org.uk](http://www.sandfordhill.org.uk)



Also, if you have returned your child's picture requesting cards, please be aware they will not be made until payment has been received.

