



Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter

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Bottles &
Chocolate
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Week 11 - Friday 23rd November 2018

Governors

met last night for this term's Full Governing Body Meeting and we were delighted to welcome our two newly elected Parent Governors - Mrs Ann-Marie Jackson and Mrs Claire Robinson. I would like to thank all of our five nominees for their application. It reinforces yet again that we have such supportive parents, for which we are very grateful.

Our Governors have one of those roles that is of critical importance, but just happens in the background with very little awareness by others. The role of the Governor, which is voluntary, is to make sure that the Headteacher and staff are doing their very best for the children, with regard to the teaching and learning, the financial management and of course keeping them safe.

As such, the role carries a big responsibility and so we are tremendously grateful for their time and dedication to Sandford Hill Primary and on behalf of our whole school family, I would like to convey our greatest thanks to them all.



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 27th November

Y6 to National Memorial Arboretum

Tuesday 4th December

EYFS Christmas Assembly

Wednesday 5th December

EYFS Christmas Assembly

Y6 Choir singing at the Hospital - p.m. **NEW**

Thursday 6th December

Y3 Christmas Assembly

Friday 7th December

Last swimming session of the term **NEW**

Tuesday 11th December

Y1 Christmas Assembly

Wednesday 12th December

Foundation Stage to see Santa, Cannock

Y2 Christmas Assembly

Y6 Choir singing at Dougie Mac - a.m. **NEW**

Thursday 13th December

Y5 Christmas Assembly

Children's Christmas Dinner

Friday 14th December

Christmas Cake Off! - a.m.

Christmas Fayre / Santa's Grotto - 3:30 p.m.

Monday 17th December

KS2 Christingle at St. Chad's - 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday 18th December

Y4 Christmas Assembly

Senior Citizen's Christmas Party - p.m. **NEW**

Wednesday 19th December

Y6 Christmas Assembly

Friday 21st December

Last Day of Term

Congratulations

• Many congratulations to our Sportshall Athletics Team, who performed fantastically last night at Trentham Academy. Well done to: **Ryan B, Ashton B, Caitlin C, Immy E, Joel F, Amethyst G, Libbie G, Lucy G, Joshua L, Eddie L, Joshua L, Saimone S, Isabel S, Lauchlan S, Daniel L, Ruby J and Rosa A.** A superb effort by all.

• Well done to **Alex H** who has achieved his Stanley 4 swimming award. Great swimming Alex.

• Well done to **Josh V** on achieving his Rainbow Distance swimming award.

• Congratulations to **Keira and Lucy H** who, following Eco Week, have been inspired to support orangutans who are suffering through the production of palm oil. Lucy has created a poster and Keira told us of an app to spot palm oil products. Keira is using the app already. Watch the [Rang-Tan video](#) that inspired it all.



School Attendance Target - 96.5%

This week is 96.1%

N1	92.3%	Y2/2	98.3%
N2	83.3%	Y3/1	99.6%
N3	88.0%	Y3/2	96.4%
N4	89.4%	Y4/1	98.3%
F2/1	93.3%	Y4/2	99.2%
F2/2	95.8%	Y5/1	93.3%
Y1/1	96.6%	Y5/2	95.0%
Y1/2	97.2%	Y6/1	98.2%
Y2/1	98.4%	Y6/2	98.4%

Info for Parents

- **Updated CCTV** - We have this week had installed an enhanced CCTV system (which also provides audio) to help us keep the children safe. Our updated CCTV Policy will shortly be available on the school website.
- **CLUBS - Cross Country cancelled** - Due to the nights becoming dark so early, it is no longer safe to have the children doing cross country after school. Therefore, Y5/6 on Monday and Y3/4 on Tuesday are cancelled for the rest of the term.
- **Play safe** - we have noticed that children are sometimes playing or riding on the road outside the upper school gates out of school time. Children might not be aware that there are still vehicles using the school drive, as well as local residents turning, so it really isn't safe. Please ensure that your child is made aware of these dangers. Thank you.

Please can you help?



Can you spare us a bottle, a chocolate bar and/or a new toiletry item for our tombolas please.



For every item brought in, your child will have a chance to win from a prize draw. Also the class that brings in the most items will win a small reward.



Let's hear it for our community!

Drop-in police surgery

On Monday 3rd December at 3:00 p.m. our local PCSOs will be in school for you to come and discuss issues that matter to you in your community. It will be an ideal opportunity for you to get involved in setting police and partnership priorities.



Senior Citizens Christmas Party

Do you know an elderly neighbour that might enjoy coming to our Senior Citizen's Christmas Party on Tuesday 18th Dec at 1:15 p.m.? If so, please pass their name on to Mrs Brennan for an invite.

FREE 6 week cooking course

Who is it for? - Anyone who wants to know how to save money on your food shopping, learn new recipes and have some fun cooking new things for you and your family.

Course information - Free 6 week course - Every Friday at 1pm-3pm from 11th Jan - 15th Feb 2019 in our Community Room.

Course outline - Each week we will cook a healthy meal using fresh ingredients which we can eat together or, if you prefer, you can take home! We'll help prove that eating a healthy and balanced diet can be easy, fun, cost effective and most importantly – tasty!!

See Mrs Brennan, Home School Link Worker, to reserve your place or find out more.

cook and eat well

Recent blog posts to look at

[Nursery Owl Babies](#)

[Nursery Children In Need](#)

[EYFS We're Going On A Bear Hunt](#)

[EYFS Story Maps](#)

[Reception Children In Need](#)

[Year 4 French](#)

[Y4 Sounds Like Science!](#)

[Y5 Fabulous Homework](#)

[Y5 A Nice Cup Of Tea](#)

Please do click on the links above and have a look.

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Read more and watch videos on the blog - sandfordhill.schoolblogs.org

Food for the World

Y4/1 Mr. Hunt's class yesterday delivered a powerful assembly to the rest of the school and parents/carers about Unicef and World Children's Day.

They counted 374 children in the hall today but learned that across the world there are 800 million children who will go to bed tonight hungry! Mr Hunt's class assembly delivered the message that all children have a right to food but also a responsibility not to waste food. Let's all try to think of those children that don't have food as we enjoy our meals and try not to leave any waste.

Home Grown food

Well done to all our Gardening Club members, Mrs Carney and Mrs Gerrard, on their fabulous crop of vegetables, that they made into a tasty soup. Yummee!



Minibuses on the way!

We are very excited to let you know that on Wednesday we are due to take delivery of our new minibuses.



With the tremendous fund raising efforts of our PTFA and the support of the parents/carers of Sandford Hill, the Governors decided that we would afford two new minibuses. The minibuses are such a critical aspect of our school activities, and the new ones will help to ensure the safe transport of our children and enable us to have more qualified drivers.

Do look out for the new buses and thank you so much for all your support. We are sure the children will love them.



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	Grayson C
N2	Amelia C
F2/1	Ayda T
F2/2	Sam T
Y1/1	Caden H
Y1/2	Sebastian H
Y2/1	Sophie M-P
Y2/2	Rae B
Y3/1	Kindra C
Y3/2	Isabelle Y
Y4/1	Callum W
Y4/2	Lotti C
Y5/1	Freya E
Y5/2	Lilli F
Y6/1	Francesca C
Y6/2	Rosa A

Gold Standard Again

We are delighted to report that for the third year running we have been successful in achieving the National School Games Gold Award. It is a real credit to all the children and staff for all the brilliant sporting activities that we offer at Sandford Hill. Congratulations and thanks to all, especially to Mr Alcock for leading on it.



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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	Jamie G