

Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter



Week 17 - Fri 17th Jan '20

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STOP PRESS: APPLICATIONS FOR NURSERY SEPTEMBER 2020 ARE NOW OPEN! Apply via www.stoke.gov.uk - deadline 31st January 2020.

New Artist in Residence

Starting this week, our new Artist in Residence, Tom Edwards has begun his working with children across KS2. Tom's speciality is Graffiti Art, so he will be teaching the children about the history of graffiti, including the well known illusive graffiti artist Banksy. Yesterday he started in our Y4 classes. As their topic is about France the children learned about the French graffiti artist 'Blek Le Rat', who has painted rats all around France. Using this idea, the children have been creating their own rat design and it looks like we may have a rat infestation with rats hidden around the school! The children are then creating stencils to create their own graffiti rats. We look forward to see what happens to them - I think! Tom is also running an after school graffiti club which is exciting. It will be great to see some of the children's artwork around school.



Thank You and Sing Well

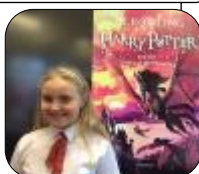
Many thanks to our School Council who have shared in assemblies this week, all the projects and fund raising they have been working on since September. A super effort, so THANK YOU to all of our School Council children!

They have supported the KS2 choir, who today, Friday, are no doubt going to have an amazing experience at the Resorts World Arena, Birmingham. They will be singing in the Young Voices Concert along with 6000 other children from across the Midlands. During the afternoon the children will practice together, then at 7:00 p.m. the 2 hour concert begins in front of a packed audience. Well done to all our singers, we hope you enjoy a great, but very long day!



Congratulations

- Many congratulations to **Mya F** who has joined the esteemed ranks of our 'Word Millionaires!' No prizes for guessing what one of her favourite books is! Well done Mya.
- Congratulations to **Kindra C** who, this week, has completed her Reward Chart. Fantastic work Kindra - well done!
- Well done to **Daniel D** who has worked hard to achieve his white belt with four stripes in his mixed martial arts class. Great work!



School Attendance Target - 96.5%
This week's attendance is 97.4%.

F1/1	97.0%	Y2/2	98.5%
F1/2	97.0%	Y3/1	95.3%
F1/3	99.3%	Y3/2	99.6%
F1/4	95.5%	Y4/1	100%
F2/1	98.8%	Y4/2	97.2%
F2/2	95.2%	Y5/1	93.6%
Y1/1	97.1%	Y5/2	98.9%
Y1/2	95.6%	Y6/1	97.8%
Y2/1	98.5%	Y6/2	98.2%

Spring Term

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 22nd January

Y5 trip to National Space Centre, Leics

Wednesday 29th January

Y6 to 'Safe & Sound' Hanley Fire Station
EYFS visitor Holding Hands - Road Safety

Thursday 30th January

Interim Governors Meeting

Monday 3rd February

School closed to children - Staff training

Wednesday 5th February

Y1/Y2 Green Cross Code Workshops

Friday 14th February

Last swim for Y5

Mon 17th to Friday 21st February

Half Term

Friday 28th February

Y4 & Y6 swimming start

Tuesday 3rd March

Y2 Tudor Day

Tuesday 10th March

Dance 20 performance by Y3 children

Monday 16th March

Nursery and Y6 group photos

Tuesday 17th March

Open Evening 1

Thursday 19th March

Open Evening 2

Thursday 26th March

Full Governors' Meeting

Friday 27th March

Last swim for Y4

Mon 30th March to Fri 3rd April

Lenten Activities

Friday 3rd April

Last day of term, Headteacher Awards

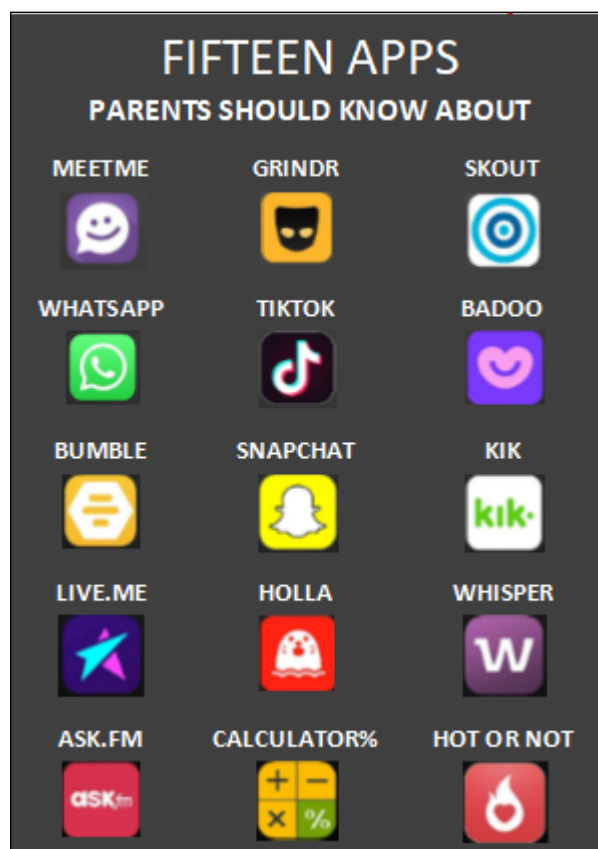
Parent/Carer Notices

- Dinner Money** - Thank you to all the parents/carers that pay for their child's school dinner before the start of the school week. It is important that the school does not carry any debt and so always ask that dinner money is paid in advance of the meals taken. Thank you for your support with this. If you have any issues with payments, then please contact the office who will be happy to help.



15 APPS

New social media apps are being developed all the time, so it's important for parents to be aware of what apps your child is using to protect them from potential dangers. Sit down and talk with your child about the risks and check their phone with them regularly to keep them safe. Click on the image below for details of each APP.



Headteacher's Star Awards:

Congratulations to these children who won the Head Teacher's Star Award.

Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner
FS1/1	Marshall H	Y3/1	Dominik W
FS1/2	Archie P	Y3/2	Sereana V
FS2/1	Jack H	Y4/1	Caleb J
FS2/2	Mia G	Y4/2	Oliver C
Y1/1	Michelle W	Y5/1	Jack T
Y1/2	Sophie-Rae M	Y5/2	Annabelle S
Y2/1	Caden H	Y6/1	Summer W
Y2/2	Emma B	Y6/2	Ruhi J

The Tony Hughes Award for 'Thoughtfulness and Respect'

This medallion, in memory of our former Chairman of the PTFA.

F1/1	Keira M
F1/2	Henry F
F2/1	Aliza A
F2/2	Suleiman J
Y1/1	Grace B
Y1/2	Amilia P
Y2/1	Summer W
Y2/2	Luke H
Y3/1	Tayla D
Y3/2	Gracie H
Y4/1	Jasper B
Y4/2	Isabel S
Y5/1	Ava C
Y5/2	Charlotte B
Y6/1	Leya E
Y6/2	Archie F

Recent blog posts to check out

- ⇒ [Nursery Spiders](#)
- ⇒ [Strawberry Group's Visit To Longton library](#)
- ⇒ [Nursery Humpty Dumpty](#)
- ⇒ [Year 3 Ancient Egypt](#)
- ⇒ [Year 5 Science](#)
- ⇒ [Y5 Moon Watch](#)

Foodbank

A reminder that donations to the Food Bank are always appreciated. Non-perishable items can be left in the tub in the front reception at any time.

Thank you.



Summer Term

Dates for your Diary

Monday 20th April

Summer Term starts

Friday 24th April

Swimming starts for Y2 & Y6

Thursday 7th May

School closed to children (Police Voting)

Friday 8th May

School closed (Bank Holiday)

Mon 11th to Thurs 14th May

KS2 SATs week

Thursday 21st May

Governors' Meeting

Friday 22nd May

Last Day of Term

Mon 25th to Friday 29th May

Half Term

Wednesday 3rd June

Northwood Field Events

Monday 8th June

Northwood Track Events

Monday 8th to Friday 26th June

Y4 Multiplication Times Tables Check

Wednesday 10th June

Team Photos

FSU Sports Day (Reserve Fri 12th June)

Tuesday 16th June

KS1 Sports Day (Reserve Thurs 18th June)

Tuesday 23rd June

KS2 Sports Day (Reserve Thurs 25th June)

Wednesday 1st July

City Swimming Gala

Thursday 2nd July

Rec'n parents transition meeting to Y1

Friday 3rd July

Last swim for Y2 & Y6

Thursday 9th July

Transition - Parents meet new teacher

Full Governors' Meeting

Friday 10th July

End of Year Reports sent home

Monday 13th July

Y3, Y4, Y5 end of year assembly / prizes

Tuesday 14th July

Y6 Leaver Assembly and year end prizes

Wednesday 15th July

Y6 Trip to West Midlands

Thursday 16th July

Sports Assembly / Y6 Leavers' Party

Friday 17th July

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Thoughtfulness and Respect