



# Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter

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**Take  
care if  
it's icy!**



## Dates for your Diary

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

Choir in Young Voices Concert, Birmingham

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January PLEASE NOTE**

**School Closed to Children - Staff Training**

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January**

Governor's Meeting 6 p.m.

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February**

Y6 to 'Crucial Crew', Hanley Fire Station

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

Anti-bullying Week

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February**

Young Voices Choir Concert 3:30 p.m.

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February**

E-Safety Day

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February**

PTFA Meeting 9 a.m.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February**

Rec'n Parents Phonics workshop 9:15 a.m.

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February**

Y1 Parents/Carers Phonics Meeting - 6 p.m.

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

HALF TERM

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February - DATE CHANGE**

Y6 Parents/Carers SATs Meeting - 6 p.m.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

Y2 Parents/Carers SATs Meeting - 6 p.m.

**Tues 26<sup>th</sup> March and Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Open Evenings

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

Last Day of Spring Term

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May PLEASE NOTE**

**School Closed to Children - Polling Day**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

SATS Week

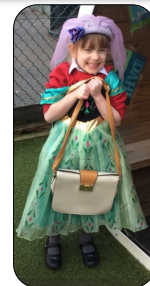
**Week 17 - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Playground fun!** Our Y1 and Y2 classes are really enjoying their new playground resources, so we thought we would share the activities that are now available to them. There are five new themed activity sheds for: Construction, Creative Play, Maths, Writing, Dressing Up/Music. Each contains a range of resources for the children to use during lessons, playtime and lunchtime.

We have spent a lot to resource the sheds and playground, but we are still in need of:

- ⇒ dolls, dolls pushchairs, dolls clothes;
- ⇒ large Lego type bricks/small Lego type bricks;
- ⇒ toy cars, trains, dinosaurs, farm animals, small world characters;
- ⇒ boys and girls dressing up clothes; and
- ⇒ old handbags/hats.

If you do have any of these items that your children no longer use, then we would very gratefully receive them. Please leave them with the front office. Very many thanks for your continued support.



## Congratulations

◆ Congratulations to Finnley P who has achieved his Chief Scout Award. He will be soon be receiving his award from the Lord Mayor. Well done Finnley! What a great achievement.

## Info for Parents

**Late children** - A reminder.

- Children arriving after 9:05 a.m. will be allocated a 'Late' mark.
- Children arriving after 9:20 a.m. will be allocated an unauthorised absence.
- If a child's attendance is below 90%, then a medical note needs to be brought in for the medical absence to be authorised.
- If your child is absent for any reason, please make sure you notify the school before 9:20 a.m.

Thank you for your support in getting your child(ren) to school on time.

## School Attendance Target - 96.5%

N1	98.5%	Y2/2	97.3%
N2	98.0%	Y3/1	99.7%
N3	96.7%	Y3/2	96.8%
N4	98.5%	Y4/1	97.3%
F2/1	96.3%	Y4/2	91.9%
F2/2	96.3%	Y5/1	98.0%
Y1/1	98.6%	Y5/2	93.3%
Y1/2	97.1%	Y6/1	98.6%
Y2/1	9.3%	Y6/2	98.4%

## SNOW Reminder

As the cold weather finally sets in and the forecast shows a possibility of snow, we thought we would remind of our snow procedures.

- \* We always assess the situation at school as early as possible to let you know before you have to set out.
- \* You will receive a ParentMail message **ONLY IF THE SCHOOL IS CLOSED.**
- \* We will also send out a tweet which will appear on the front page of our website. The closure will also go on the Local Authority school snow closure list and is shared with Signal radio.
- \* So, if you do not hear from us, then you should assume the school is still open.
- \* Please do not phone the school to check, as staff may need to contact school while attempting to get in.

Thank you for your support with what are always very difficult decisions to make.

Please be assured though, that the welfare and safety of our children and staff is always our number one priority.

## This week's blog posts to check out

Nursery [Humpty Dumpty](#)

Y1 [Staying Safe](#)

Y1 [3D Shapes](#)

Y1 [Ready For A New Day](#)

Y3 [Awesome Egyptians](#)

Y3 [Fabulous Fossils!](#)

Y4 [Factors](#)

[Year 4 Help Each Other To Improve!](#)

[Year 4 Have The X-Factor!](#)

[Art In Year 5](#)

Y6 [Using Mobile Phones Responsibly](#)



## Sandford Hill Primary News

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

### Brilliant Breakfast Bagels

We have now had our first week of offering free bagels to the children as they arrive in the classroom and they appear to be going down very well.

Many thanks to our kitchen staff for their support and patience as we try to work out the right, the number of bagels to cook.



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

School Blog - [sandfordhill.schoolblogs.org](http://sandfordhill.schoolblogs.org)

Facebook - [@sandfordhillprimary](https://www.facebook.com/sandfordhillprimary)

Twitter - [@sandford\\_hill](https://twitter.com/sandford_hill)

And there is loads of information on our school website - [www.sandfordhill.org.uk](http://www.sandfordhill.org.uk)

### Class Assembly Dates for Spring Term:

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Jan Y3/2 Miss Harrison's Class at 9:00 a.m.

Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> Jan Y3/1 Mrs Frost's Class at 9:00 a.m.

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Feb Y2 Both Classes at 9:00 a.m.

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Mar Y1/1 Mrs Smith's Class at 9:00 a.m.

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar Y1/2 Mrs Stillwell's Class at 9:00 a.m.

**Parents/Carers are warmly invited to attend when**

## 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	Nathan-Lee B
N2	Alisha S
F2/1	Elizabeth D
F2/2	Anna T
Y1/1	Evelyn T
Y1/2	Maab H
Y2/1	Leyton H
Y2/2	Daniel I
Y3/1	Jesse S
Y3/2	Thomas H
Y4/1	Callum D
Y4/2	Lewis D
Y5/1	Harley H
Y5/2	Will B
Y6/1	Lucy M
Y6/2	Tyler 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	Freya L	Y3/1	Patryk W
N2	Leo P	Y3/2	Jasmin E
FS2/1	Vinne C	Y4/1	Callum W
FS2/2	San A	Y4/2	Ashton P
Y1/1	Lia Z	Y5/1	Jailyn H
Y1/2	Frankie M	Y5/2	Jasmin C
Y2/1	Bethan B	Y6/1	Alex S
Y2/2	Gracie H	Y6/2	Macy B

### Supporting our local foodbank

In support of the food bank at the Bethal church in Longton, we are now welcoming donations of non-perishable food items such as:

- ◆ UHT MILK
- ◆ PASTA SAUCES
- ◆ TINNED TUNA
- ◆ BISCUITS
- ◆ MASH
- ◆ TINNED TOMATOES
- ◆ FRUIT JUICE
- ◆ CHOCOLATE
- ◆ SOUP
- ◆ PASTA and RICE

These food items provide help to people in crisis in our area. Also, our school is offering foodbank vouchers to any parents/carers that feel they are struggling to put food on the table due to a change of circumstances. If this is the case, please come in and ask to speak to Mrs Brennan who will support you with this. Thank you for your support.

