



Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter

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**School
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next
Monday**

Week 18 - Friday 25th January 2019

Young Carers Next Thursday 31st January 2019 is National Young Carers Awareness Day and as a school we will be talking in our classes about being a Young Carer. The purpose of the day is to raise public awareness of the challenges faced by young people because of their caring role, and to campaign for greater support for young carers and their needs.

A Young Carer is a child or young person, from the age of 5 to their 18th birthday, who provides regular or on-going support to a family member, who has an illness, disability, poor mental health or misuses substances.

Mrs Allen is our Young Carer Champion and she has already spoken to the KS2 children about Young Carers. There are over 800,000 Young Carers in England with 756 identified in Stoke-on-Trent, that's an average of 1 in 12 children in every class. If you believe that your child may be a young carer and you would like to receive some support, please contact Mrs Allen and she will be happy to talk to you. For more information about Young Carers Awareness Day, visit the Carers Trust website at www.carers.org



Dates for your Diary

Monday 28th January PLEASE NOTE

School Closed to Children - Staff Training

Thursday 31st January

Governor's Meeting 6 p.m.

Friday 1st February

Y6 to 'Crucial Crew', Hanley Fire Station

Monday 4th February

Young Voices Choir Concert 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday 5th February

E-Safety Day

Wednesday 6th February

PTFA Meeting 9 a.m.

Thursday 7th February

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

Monday 11th February

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

Tues 13th and Wed 14th February

Library Van visiting the Reception classes

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd February

HALF TERM

Thursday 28th February

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

Thursday 7th March

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

Tues 26th March and Thurs 28th March

Open Evenings

Friday 12th April

Last Day of Spring Term

Thursday 2nd May PLEASE NOTE

School Closed to Children - Polling Day

Monday 13th - Friday 17th May

Week

Congratulations

◆ Congratulations to Erin L who has recently achieved her Stanley 6 swimming award. Well done Erin. Just keep swimming!

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 5th February 2019

Safer Internet day is an opportunity to talk with the children about **consent**; thinking about all the different ways we can say 'yes' or 'no' online. The internet is a wonderful place that offers so many opportunities for children to learn, connect and play, but, as the internet is always changing, being able to keep up to date with your child's internet use can sometimes be tricky. Safer Internet Day provides an opportunity to discuss and explore online issues with your child. **The best way to find out what your child is doing online is to ask them to tell you about it.** Encourage them to use devices in rooms where you are so that you can see what sites they're visiting and share with them. **Make use of the parental controls on your home broadband** and any internet-enabled devices. You can find out how at your broadband provider's website or by visiting: internet.matters.org. Click on the link below to find out more: <https://bit.ly/2sKsHG2>

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%

**internet
matters.org**

Info for Parents

Milk orders - For those of you that pay for school milk for your child(ren) the Spring 2 payment of £7.00 for the half term has now gone live in the ParentMail shop. Payment must be made before 9:00 a.m. on Monday 11th February. Thank you.

Police Surgery - PCSO Jane Crump will be holding a Police Surgery at 3:00 p.m. on Friday 8th February to listen to any concerns or worries that you may have in our community.

Donations for homeless - Number 11, Burslem and Temple Street Methodist Church, Fenton do some really fantastic work for the homeless in our city. If anybody would like to make any donations they are in need of the following items: Sleeping Bags, Pac-a-Mac, waterproofs, coffee, tea and sugar, butter, jam, marmalade and washing powder. No clothing items, except men's jogging bottoms please. If you have any items named above please hand them to Mrs Brennan and she will pass them onto these good causes.

Friends

Well done and thank you to Miss Harrison and her class who led our assembly yesterday morning in front of family and friends. Their assembly message "A friend is one of the nicest things you can have, and one of the nicest things you can be!" is such an important thing for us to remember and to act on. Well done Y3/2.



Musical Extravaganza

On Monday 4th February at 3:30 p.m. our choir will be performing some of their Young Voices songs in our very own concert for parents/carers in the school hall. We will also be hearing from some of our instrumentalists, in an opportunity for them to perform in front of an audience. Parents/carers of children involved should have received a ParentMail invite asking how many tickets you would like, so please make sure you respond. Thank you.

Don't forget to follow us...

School Blog - 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

This week's blog posts to check out

[Apples Visit Longton Library](#)

Reception [Building Bridges](#)

Reception [Planting A Bean](#)

Y3 [I See.... Wonderful Things?](#)

[Year 6 Hoaxed! Fake News!](#)

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

Artist in Residence

Every Friday, Belinda Latimer, our artist in residence, is working with a number of children across Y4 and Y5 during lessons and in lunchtime and after school clubs. They have been making some beautiful string-pull art pictures and having great fun getting messy along the way! Here's one of the children's creations.



Please note there has been a date and class change to the Y2 assembly previously shared below. The date for Thursday 14th February below is now the correct one. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Class Assembly Dates for Spring Term:

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

Thurs 14th Feb Y2/2 Miss Gregory's Class at 9:00 a.m.

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

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

Parents/Carers are warmly invited to attend when their child's class is leading the assembly.

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	Nea-Grey P
N2	Elliott H
F2/1	Bradley B
F2/2	George C
Y1/1	Alecia O
Y1/2	Harrison C
Y2/1	Poppy J
Y2/2	Evie L
Y3/1	Owen W
Y3/2	Harry-George D
Y4/1	Isabella N
Y4/2	Evie B
Y5/1	Jacob W
Y5/2	Mackenzie G
Y6/1	James C
Y6/2	Samuela V

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	Mya G	Y3/1	Oliver J
N2	Sofia P	Y3/2	Emily S
FS2/1	Kayden C	Y4/1	Jessica B
FS2/2	Jacob M	Y4/2	Alfie-John G
Y1/1	Lea B	Y5/1	Archie F
Y1/2	Naomi D	Y5/2	Manni R
Y2/1	Tilly H	Y6/1	Grace S
Y2/2	Riley W	Y6/2	Alisha T

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.