

Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter

Sandford Hill Primary
Clayfield Grove
Longton, ST3 5AQ

101782 235518 /235781
office@sandfordhill.org.uk
www.sandfordhill.org.uk

start next week

Dates for your Diary

Monday 17th September

Y3/1 to Wildwood Stone Age

Tuesday 18th September

Y3/2 to Wildwood Stone Age

Thursday 20th September

Parental Transition - 9:10 - 10:10 a.m. for

Y1 to Y6 classes

Friday 21st September

ECO Day

Monday 24th September - NEW

Stanley Head Parent's Meeting - 6 p.m.

Wednesday 26th September

Y5 Greek workshops, Hanley Museum

Friday 28th September

Y4 to DEWA, Chester

Swimming starts for Y3 and Y5

Monday 1st - Friday 5th October

Y6 to Stanley Head

Wednesday 3rd October

'Friends of Sandford Hill' PTFA - 9 a.m.

Thursday 11th October

Individual and Family Photos

Governor's Finance Meeting 6 p.m.

Wednesday 17th October- NEW

KS1 Harvest Festival - 9 a.m.

Thursday 18th October- NEW

KS2 Harvest Festival - 10 a.m. at St. Chad's

Wednesday 24th October

Parent's Evening 1

Thursday 25th October

Parent's Evening 2

Monday 29th Nov to Friday 2nd Nov HALF TERM

Monday 19th November

School closed to pupils - Staff Training

Friday 21st December

Last Day of Term

Week 2 - Friday 14th September 2018

On a personal note, the current academic year marks a significant milestone for myself as I am currently celebrating the 'Silver Anniversary' of my time 'on the hill'. I have now spent 25 happy and fulfilling years working at our wonderful school alongside fantastic colleagues (including my mentors Mr Smith and Miss Warner). Although many years have passed since I first walked through the gates of Sandford Hill in September '93, what we all expect of our children has remained the same. There is still an expectation that the children work hard, to be the best that they can be and show thoughtfulness and respect to others. However, over the years, a number of things have also changed. This year, we have updated our core vison and ethos statement to reflect the needs of our children who are growing up in a technological world. It is our aim that the children of Sandford Hill Primary School are equipped with the skills to

support them to make safe and healthy choices, communicate effectively and are fully prepared for the digital world. To achieve this requires strong partnerships between us all. Please could we ask you to spend a few moments talking about e-Safety with your child. You might want to discuss some of the ways we can all stay safe on the internet:



- Follow the SMART rules at all times (Secret, Meeting, Accepting, Reliable, Tell)
- Only send and post polite and sensible messages
- Treat personal information like your toothbrush- don't share it
- Tell an adult if you see anything which you are uncomfortable with

The school website contains lots of useful resources to support you when discussing e-Safety with your children. It can be a great starting point. Whilst you're there, you might also want to visit our updated vision and ethos page too.

Congratulations

◆ Well done to Lola S who has passed her level 8 in trampolining.

◆ Well done to Stanley R and Theo C who both received swimming awards last weekend.

 Well done to Daniel D for achieving his orange belt in Taekwondo during the summer holiday.

♦ Well done to Josh V for achieving his 5 metres and Learn to Swim Levels 1 and 2. What a busy chap!

)	School Attendance Target - 96.5% This week is 97.1% - ABOVE - Well done ALL			
	F2/1	95.7%	Y3/2	96.0%
	F2/2	96.7%	Y4/1	95.0%
	Y1/1	100%	Y4/2	98.7%
	Y1/2	98.7%	Y5/1	98.7%
	Y2/1	91.3%	Y5/2	92.0%
	Y2/2	99.3%	Y6/1	98.6%
	Y3/1	97.4%	Y6/2	99.4%

Info for Parents

- This week all Reception to Y6 parents should have received a paper Data Collection Form requesting renewal of contact information. Many thanks to all that have already returned the form. If yours is still in your child's bag or sitting at home, we would very much appreciate it completing and returning as soon as possible. Thank you.
- CLUBS We have been overwhelmed with the positive requests for children to attend clubs this term, but it does cause quite a headache to cater for everyone. Your child will have brought home a slip today telling them which clubs they have been allocated. Due to demand, some places may only run for half a term to allow for more children to attend. Please therefore make a note of the dates and ensure your child attends on those occasions. Thank you for your support.

Nursery Superstars

Our Nursery staff are so incredibly proud of our Nursery children for the way they have settled in to their first week of half days at school. Next week they will be having a lunch and then start staying all day from Friday. Well done Nursery children!



Y4 Place Value

This week Y4 have been looking at the value of digits in numbers. Here, Alfie and Caitlin have shown 4628 using partitioning, place value blocks and number fans. We

now know that the 4 is worth 4000, the 6 is worth 600, the 2 is 20 and the 8 is 8.





Y2 Detectives

This week a book character went missing and the children have been detectives using clues to find out who and what has been happening. They created 'Missing' and 'Wanted' posters and fortunately Granny has turned up today safe and well.

Sandford Hill Primary

Class News

Read more and watch videos on the

blog - sandfordhill.schoolblogs.org







Y6 visit Weeping Poppy Window

A very busy, but interesting visit was made by Y6 to the poppy display at Middleport Pottery as they are learning about World War 1 for their topic this term. Keira even brought in a poppy from the Tower of London original display.



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.

F2/1	Charmian Humphreys	
F2/2	Ellie Taylor	
Y1/1	Caleb Barnes	
Y1/2	Naomi Das Santos-Davies	
Y2/1	Leila Hazeldine	
Y2/2	Erin Latham	
Y3/1	Adena Perry	
Y3/2	Noah Fry-Jones	
Y4/1	Ryan Colley	
Y4/2	Lacey-J Armstrong	
Y5/1	Lucy Thompson	
Y5/2	Saimone Sevakasiga	
Y6/1	Daniel Lamptey	
Y6/2	Evie Wilkes-Price	



Our Reception classes have been learning all about celebrations and birthdays. They went shopping to the Co-op for ingredients for cakes that they then made and decorated. Today they are finishing off the week with a party! I am sure they all had a great time.







Strange happenings in Y3

This week has been a magical time in Y3 with the sudden, strange appearance of a dinosaur egg and then a very special message from Jack Horner. It has left Y3 wondering what weird and wonderful things might happen next week!

Applications for school places for 2019-20

We have been asked to inform you that the 2019-20 Prospectus are now online for Nursery, Primary and Secondary. The details for applications for Sept 2019 are:

- **Nursery class**
- applications open Mon 3rd Dec 2018 deadline Wed 31st January 2019
- Primary Reception class applications open Thurs 1st Nov 2018 deadline Mon 15th January 2019
- Secondary Y7
- applications NOW OPEN deadline Wed 31st October 2018

The story of Arachne

Y5 are learning about the Ancient Greeks and this week have been writing the ending to the myth of Arachne. They have been editing and improving their writing to ensure it is their very best.



Rosh Hashanah

This week Y1 children have been learning about the Jewish New Year. They have been dipping apples in honey to wish everybody a sweet Rosh Hashanah new year. everyone!



