



# Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter

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**Due to Open  
Evenings -  
No clubs  
after school  
Tuesday &  
Thursday**

**Week 25 - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019**

## Sorry to Say!

It is with regret that I need to inform you that two class teachers will be leaving us at the end of this Spring Term. Mrs Stillwell is following her passion and moving to a new position in a special school. She will be replaced in Y1 by a new teacher, Mrs Dale. Mrs Richardson will also be leaving us and her Reception class will continue to be taught by Mrs Powell, along with Mrs Adams, who will be returning for the Summer Term to cover the three days. We will ensure that the two classes affected will have a good opportunity to meet their new teacher before the start of next term.

## Dates for your Diary

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

Open Evenings with Crèche and Book Fair

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

Y3/4 Art Club to Spode Art Studio

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

Y2/1 trip to Ford Green Hall

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

Y2/2 trip to Ford Green Hall

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

Governor's Meeting 6:00 p.m.

**Tues 9<sup>th</sup> and Wed 10<sup>th</sup> April**

Y4/5/6 Learn To Ride

**Mon 8<sup>th</sup> to Fri 12<sup>th</sup> April**

Lenten Week Activities

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

Last Day of Spring Term

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

Summer Term starts

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

**School Closed to Children - Polling Day**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May PLEASE NOTE**

**School Closed - Bank Holiday**

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

KS2 SATs Week

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May**

HALF TERM

## Lenten Week Activities

Our Lenten activities this year will take place in the last week of term beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April. This is a time when we think about and raise money for others in need, whilst having some fun along the way. This year we will be raising money for a local charity to be decided by the children. Our Lenten activities will be:

### ♦ Small Change Collection

Please start collecting your 1p, 2p and 5p pieces from down the back of the sofa, in the car and anywhere else your loose change might end up! There will be 2 small prizes for the EYFS/KS1 class and the KS2 class that have collected the most money. Money pots can be brought into class from **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April** with a deadline of **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April**.

### An Easter Bake-Off Sale for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Key Stage 2 children are invited to design and make Easter cakes to sell in our Easter Bake-Off. A winner from each year group will receive a small prize but all entries will receive a certificate.

– **Y5 and Y6** cakes should be brought in for judging on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April**, for Nursery, Reception and Y5/6 to buy.

– **Y3 and Y4** cakes should be brought in for judging on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April** for Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 to buy.

### ♦ Non-uniform

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April children are invited to wear non-uniform to school for a small donation. No theme, just wear what they want.

Thank you for all your support with our fundraising.

## Easter Bonnet and Egg Competition

It is a Sandford Hill tradition for the children to design their own Easter Bonnet or Easter Egg for the last week of the Spring Term and this year is no different. So get eggs-ercising those brain cells and come up with an egg-ceptional and egg-citing design for your bonnet or egg. Judging will be on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April**.



### School Attendance Target - 96.5%

N1	95.4%	Y2/2	99.3%
N2	80.0%	Y3/1	98.7%
N3	94.8%	Y3/2	99.4%
N4	96.2%	Y4/1	97.7%
F2/1	98.7%	Y4/2	99.4%
F2/2	95.3%	Y5/1	97.3%
Y1/1	96.6%	Y5/2	97.7%
Y1/2	96.8%	Y6/1	99.3%
Y2/1	98.1%	Y6/2	99.4%

## Congratulations

- Well done to **Kyan P** who won **GOLD** at Monday's George Finney team floor and vault competition! Fantastic Kyan!
- Congratulations to **Niamh B** who is the newest member of our exclusive Word Millionaires group.
- Good luck to ex-pupil **Cameron Lavery** who has made it to the semi-finals of the National Championships in Boxing tomorrow. You can watch on YouTube live stream.



## Info for Parents

- **Open Evening on Tuesday and Thursday next week** - A crèche and Book Sale will be provided by staff on both evenings in the hall.
- **Clubs** - due to the Open Evening, there will be **NO CLUBS** run after school on **Tuesday and Thursday**. All other clubs will run as normal.

## Dance 2019

On Monday night I had the pleasure of watching our group of dancers perform at Victoria Hall as part of an evening of dance with schools from across the city. Our dance group certainly did themselves and the school proud. Lacey C tells us of her experience - *"We learned a dance all about Kenya and had traditional items the tribe used to wear, like peacock feathers and animal fur. We also wore things that today's young people would wear on the street, like bandanas. We had lots of fun learning the moves and using the drumsticks, as well as performing on the night, especially as our parents thought the dance was amazing."*

Thank you to all the family members who came along to cheer and clap and to Mrs Ford and Mrs Brian for all their hard work in producing such a memorable dance routine.



## Friends of Sandford Hill

### Easter Egg 'Chat and Pack'

Could you spare a couple of hours to help with packing up our children's Easter gifts? Any volunteers will be warmly welcomed on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> April at 9:00 a.m. to help bag up the treats for Easter. Please let the office know if you are able to come along.



## Sandford Hill Primary News

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

## 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	Sofia P
N2	Leo P
F2/1	Kayden C
F2/2	Thomas H
Y1/1	Mollie B
Y1/2	Teddy L
Y2/1	Alex H
Y2/2	Jenna B
Y3/1	Malachi F
Y3/2	Skye S
Y4/1	Ryan C
Y4/2	Alfie D
Y5/1	Harley H
Y5/2	Paige J
Y6/1	Amie-Mae C
Y6/2	Lilly C

### This week's blog posts to check out

Nursery [Kipper's Monster](#)

Nursery [Thank You Poppy](#)

Reception [Potions](#)

Reception [Floating And Sinking](#)

Y1 [Real Life Superheroes!](#)

Y2 [Spring has sprung!](#)

Y2 [Spellings on the move!](#)

[John Muir Group](#)

[Gym Team](#)

### 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	Henry R	Y3/1	Alex S
N2	Sofia P	Y3/2	Isabelle B
FS2/1	Sienna D	Y4/1	Amina K
FS2/2	Sam T	Y4/2	Ashton P
Y1/1	Caden H	Y5/1	Gabrielle M
Y1/2	Grace H	Y5/2	George H
Y2/1	James M	Y6/1	Francesca C
Y2/2	Daniel I	Y6/2	Rosa A

### Keeping our children safe!

It's a fact. There's simply not enough space for us all to park close to school! To keep everyone safe we'd very much like to once again appeal to our school family to show consideration for others if we are dropping the children off at school. If your car journey to school is absolutely necessary, why not park further away from our school gates and walk the last bit – it's a great way to exercise and an opportunity to have a quick chat with the children. Most importantly, it will also really help us keep everyone safe. Our children are very precious to us indeed.



### Class Assembly Dates for Spring Term:

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 their child's class is leading the assembly.