



Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter

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**School
closed for
children on
Thursday's
Polling Day**

Week 31 - Friday 17th May 2019

Bike, bikes, everywhere!

On Monday morning, you would have been forgiven for thinking that the school was being overrun with bicycles. However, Monday and Tuesday was Bikeability training Level 2 for our Y5 children. This involved ensuring the children were able to confidently control their bike, before learning how to cycle safely out on the roads. We are really pleased that practically all the Y5 children passed their Level 2 assessments. It is so important to cycle safely when out on the road with cars, so let's hope the children now put into practise what they have learned.



Open Family Ride sessions - To further develop our cycling programme we are pleased to be able to offer some Family Ride sessions available to all parents/carers to come along after school and have a cycle with their child(ren) on the Red Ash and field (weather permitting), on Thursday 13th, Fri 14th June, Thurs 11th, Fri 12th July.

We are also really pleased that Nick Simms, Cycling instructor, will be on hand to offer advice and direction to support any parents/carers that would like to learn to ride a bike themselves, but have never managed it before OR would like advice on how to teach their child to ride.

A ParentMail form will be sent out next week for you to indicate if you plan to come along, so we know how many to expect. Bikes and helmets can be provided or you can bring your own.



Dates for your Diary

Monday 20th May

Y4 Bikeability L1 - non-uniform

Tuesday 21st May

Y2 to 'Down the Rabbit Hole'

Y6 to Ceramic Workshop

Wednesday 22nd May

Y6 Non-Bikeability 3 - On road practice

Thursday 23rd May PLEASE NOTE

School Closed to Children - Polling Day

Monday 27th - Friday 31st May

HALF TERM

Wednesday 12th June

Sports and other Team photos

Thursday 13th June

Y2/2 to Alice Event

Wednesday 19th June

Y2 trip to New Brighton Lighthouse

Monday 24th June

Y5/1 trip to Sudbury Hall

Monday 1st July

Y5/2 trip to Sudbury Hall

Y6 Bikeability L3 - non-uniform

Tuesday 2nd July

Y6 Cycle Ride - non-uniform

Wednesday 3rd July

Y2/1 to Alice Event

Friday 5th July

Y4 to Llandudno

Well done Y6

At the end of an anxious and arduous week of SATs our staff and children can finally relax a bit and enjoy their last few weeks at Sandford Hill. Well done to all the children on their supreme efforts - we are sure you will all have done yourselves proud. Thank you to the Y6 parents/carers for all your support and particular thank you to Mrs Hassall, Mrs Bullock and the other Y6 staff for all their tremendous hard work to ensure the children were as well prepared as possible.

Congratulations

• Congratulations to **Mason L** and **Elliot H** on being awarded medals for playing football for Stoke Town. Well done boys - a great achievement.



• Well done also to **Ryan C** and **Leyton H** for their football medals. Great work boys - congratulations!



• Well done to **Julia D** who shared with us her certificates for polish speaking. A great skill to be able to speak another language.

• We'd like to send our congratulations to ex-pupil Cameron Lavery who recently won a gold medal whilst representing England at The National Boxing Championships. Cameron will now progress to represent Great Britain at The European Championships in Romania. Good luck Cameron, from everyone at Sandford Hill, past and present!



School Attendance Target - 96.5%

N1	100%	Y2/2	97.3%
N2	94.3%	Y3/1	95.7%
N3	90.0%	Y3/2	91.6%
N4	85.7%	Y4/1	98.3%
F2/1	96.3%	Y4/2	97.4%
F2/2	98.7%	Y5/1	98.0%
Y1/1	89.7%	Y5/2	95.3%
Y1/2	87.1%	Y6/1	100%
Y2/1	94.8%	Y6/2	99.4%

Info for Parents

- **Plea for Waders** - Our pond desperately requires attention, but in order to be able to do some maintenance, Mr Hassall, our site supervisor, is in need of some waders. If you happen to have some and would be willing to lend them to him for a short time, we would be extremely grateful. Please let the office know. Thank you.
- **CLUBS** - NO clubs next week or first week back after half term for majority of clubs. For **exceptions** see club record sent home for: John Muir, Belinda Latimer's Art, Science and Ceramic Challenge and Gymnastics.

Summer Sporting Events

• Firstly, well done to our Tri-Golf team **Kyle B, Niamh B, Ava C, Ryan C, Callum D, James H, Alfie H, Amina K, Kyla M** and **River P** who spent Monday afternoon at Trentham Park Golf Club receiving coaching and then taking part in a mini-tournament. A great experience enjoyed by all.

Then, last week we shared our sports day dates, but in case you missed them, see below:

FSU	Wed 12th June - 9:10 a.m.
Reserve	Thurs 13 th June - 9:10 a.m.
A family picnic will follow FSU sports day	
Y1/Y2	Tues 18th June - 9:10 a.m.
Reserve	Thurs 20 th June - 9:10 a.m.
Y3/Y4	Tues 25th June - 1:15 p.m.
Reserve	Thurs 27 th June - 1:15 p.m.
Y5/Y6	Tues 25th June - 9:10 a.m.
Reserve	Thurs 27 th June - 9:10 a.m.

In addition to sports days, in our future fixtures we have teams going on:

- Wed 22nd June - Primary Year 5-6 City Mixed Mini Hockey 4-a-side at Horizon Academy
- Tues 4th June - Girls Kwik Yr 5-6 Cricket-8 a side at Longton Cricket Club
- Wed 5th June - Longton PSSA Track Finals at Northwood Stadium
- Thurs 6th June - Gymnastics Championships - Fenton Manor
- Mon 10th June - Longton PSSA Field Finals at Northwood Stadium
- Fri 28th June - County School Games-Level 3 - Girls X-C team at Keele University

Good luck to all our teams over the coming weeks. If you follow Sir Stan's 7 values (right), we will all be really proud of you.

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Messy Day Mania

If you have seen any of the blog, tweet or Facebook posts about Foundation Stage's Messy Day on Wednesday, then you will already know what a fantastic day they had.

On the playground they were mud piling, gloop spreading, wheel painting and jam pressing. Then, thanks to all the work of the John Muir group, the children had an amazing time in the woodland, climbing trees, log walking and dinosaur mound climbing! A thoroughly brilliant day had by all - we just hope the washing machines could cope!



This week's blog posts

EYFS [Bye Butterflies](#)

[Nursery Morning Of Messy Day](#)

[Nursery Afternoon Messy Day](#)

[Reception Messy Day 1](#)

[Reception Messy Day 2](#)

[Reception Wood Exploring 1](#)

["I Wish Messy Day Could Last Forever"](#)

Y2 [Drink Me Potions](#)

[Special Visitors](#)



Sir Stanley Matthews' Non-Uniform

Many thanks to everyone who supported our non-uniform today which raised **£363.20** to support the work of The Stanley Matthews Foundations. Our Succeed With Stan Day gave everyone in school the opportunity to focus on the seven values which our city's most famous footballer lived by and which helped rocket him to being the best footballer in the world.

1. **Enthusiasm** - Try to do everything with energy and determination. Who knows what you might achieve!
2. **Respect** - Showing respect to our parents, teachers and, in the world of sport, referees, our coaches and our opponents is really important.
3. **Honesty** - Always be honest and tell the truth. Honesty is definitely the best policy!
4. **Warmth** - Try to be kind and friendly with everyone and interested in what people do. We all need friends and this is the best way to get them!
5. **Do Your Best** - You'll never succeed unless you work hard and give 100%.
6. **Sportsmanship** - Win, lose or draw it's always important to play within the rules.
7. **Teamwork** - You can't do everything on your own. Look out for your friends, be loyal and the team will go a long way!

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	Jensen F
N2	Ingrid S
F2/1	Vinnie B
F2/2	Maisie C
Y1/1	Summer W
Y1/2	Zeena A
Y2/1	Daniel D
Y2/2	Oscar S
Y3/1	Kindra C
Y3/2	Isobel S
Y4/1	Callum H
Y4/2	Kyle B
Y5/1	Lucy T
Y5/2	Ruby F
Y6/1	Emily L
Y6/2	Keira M



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	William B	Y3/1	Declan B
N2	Aliza A	Y3/2	Atunaisa S
FS2/1	Evie W	Y4/1	Elliot H
FS2/2	Sonny L-P	Y4/2	River P
Y1/1	Ellie-Mae G	Y5/1	Jacob W
Y1/2	Chloe S	Y5/2	Evie E
Y2/1	Daniel D	Y6/1	Ruby J
Y2/2	Jessica W	Y6/2	Luis C