



Sandford Hill Primary Newsletter

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**HALF
TERM
NEXT
WEEK**

Dates for your Diary

Monday 29th Oct to Friday 2nd Nov

HALF TERM

Monday 5th November

School starts after half term

Tuesday 6th November

Y5/6 Football against St Greg's and
Alexandra Juniors at Sandford Hill

Wednesday 7th November

Friends of Sandford Hill PTFA meet 9 a.m.

Tuesday 13th November

Y1/1 to Wildwood

2019 Nursery Prospective Parents Evening

Thursday 15th November

Y1/2 to Wildwood

Friday 16th November- NEW

Children in Need - non-uniform for £1

KS1 Disco - 3:15 - 4:00 p.m.

KS2 Disco - 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Monday 19th November

School closed to pupils - Staff Training

Thursday 22nd November

Full Governor's Meeting

Friday 14th December

Christmas Fayre and Santa's Grotto - **NEW**

Friday 21st December

Last Day of Term

New Nursery Prospective Parents Evening

On Tuesday 13th November, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. we will be holding an Open Evening for prospective parents with children due to start Nursery in September 2019 that are new to Sandford Hill.

Do please share this event with anyone you know who has a child that will be 3 by next September as we would love to welcome them on the 13th November.



Week 8 - Friday 26th October 2018

Stay Safe and keep healthy! These have been some key messages shared in assemblies and lessons this week. Our Y3 children have had a visit from the oral health team about keeping their teeth clean and healthy. They were also at our Wednesday Open Evening so we hope you said hello to them.



With Bonfire Night straight after half term the firefighters from Hanley Fire Station also visited, reminding the children through assemblies how to stay safe during the firework period by going to organised displays.

Finally with Halloween next week, we would like to remind the

children if they are out 'trick or treating' to stay safe, by keeping with family and friends and to also to show thoughtfulness and respect to houses that might be visited. Have a wonderful half term break.



Parents Evening Thanks

Over the last couple of evenings we have been so pleased to welcome all the parents/carers for meetings with their child's class teacher. We had an amazing 478 appointments made, which is absolutely brilliant and is a real testimony to how closely we all work in partnership to ensure the very best outcomes for our children.

Congratulations

- Well done to Harry-George D who has achieved his Level 4 and 300m swimming awards. Brilliant Harry-George.
- Well done to Bentley D who passed his Learn to Swim 3 award. Fantastic swimming Bentley!
- Congratulations to Bessie R who has achieved her 50 metre swim certificate. Great swimming Bessie!



School Attendance Target - 96.5%
This week is 94.1%

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| N1 | 90.8% | Y2/2 | 99.3% |
| N2 | 76.0% | Y3/1 | 91.3% |
| N3 | 81.7% | Y3/2 | 90.3% |
| N4 | 93.8% | Y4/1 | 98.0% |
| F2/1 | 89.3% | Y4/2 | 96.8% |
| F2/2 | 90.0% | Y5/1 | 99.3% |
| Y1/1 | 98.6% | Y5/2 | 96.0% |
| Y1/2 | 92.9% | Y6/1 | 96.3% |
| Y2/1 | 97.7% | Y6/2 | 93.8% |

Info for Parents

- **CLUBS** - there will be NO CLUBS the week immediately after half term. CLUBS will start again the week beginning Monday 12th November.
- **2 New Parent Governors Required** - If you are interested in nominating yourself as a parent governor, you hopefully had an opportunity to speak to Mr Wardle, as well as one of our current governors on one of our Open Evenings. If you require a parent governor nomination form, please ask at the office. The deadline for nominations is 4:00 p.m. on Monday 12th November. Any queries, please ask to speak to Mr Wardle or Mrs Wildgoose.
- **Plea for help for items for the Nursery** - to any parents, could you please spare any knickers, pants or socks that your child might have grown out of - they can be put to very good use in the Nursery. Second hand is fine. Also, with colds abounding, the Nursery are desperate for TISSUES! If you could spare them a box to help with all the runny noses they would be so grateful.
- **Cash from the Co-op** - Please vote for Sandford Hill at the Co-op, as we have been selected for the next round of the Co-op Local Community Fund. Thank you.

Assemblies

Well done to Y6/2, Mrs Bullock's class, for leading the assembly yesterday. We learned about Guy Fawkes, firework safety and democracy. Lots of fascinating facts for us all to remember.

Then this morning we welcomed Jack Brereton, MP for Stoke-on-Trent South, who led an assembly about democracy. Here he is with our elected School Council.



Can you help us please?

A reminder that we are still wanting:

- dressing up clothes (Age 5-7 years only please)
- Nearly new small world toys, e.g. dinosaurs, zoo animals, lego type building blocks, cars, dolls, figures, etc.
- Puppets



Many thanks to those that have already donated. Please leave any items at the office.

Farewell to Mrs Walker

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Walker, our Home School Link Worker, who leaves us for a new job. We thank her for her contribution to Sandford Hill during the last year and we wish her well in her new post.

Recent blog posts to look at

Nursery - [Thank You Elliott](#)
 Reception [Pumpkin Soup](#)
[Year Three Fashion Designers!](#)
[The Dental Nurse Comes To Year Three!](#)
[Year Three Start Their Stone Age Settings](#)
[Y5 Greek Temples](#)
[Y5 Greek Projects](#)

Please do click on the links above and have a look.

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 | Niamh J | Y3/1 | Ava T |
| N2 | Scarlett W | Y3/2 | Skye S |
| FS2/1 | Olivia D | Y4/1 | Charlotte B |
| FS2/2 | Sam T | Y4/2 | Thomas K |
| Y1/1 | Harry E | Y5/1 | Amelia O |
| Y1/2 | Thomas E | Y5/2 | Max S |
| Y2/1 | Alfie G | Y6/1 | Bradley W |
| Y2/2 | Joseph V | Y6/2 | Jacob C |

Class Assembly Dates for Autumn Term:

Thurs 8th Nov Mrs Hassall Y6/1 at 9:10 a.m.
 Thurs 15th Nov Mrs Carney Y5/1 at 9:10 a.m.
 Thurs 22nd Nov Mr Hunt Y4/2 at 9:10 a.m.

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

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Gold Sport Award

We are extremely pleased to announce that we have been re-awarded the Sainsbury's School Gold sports award for 2017-18. This is in recognition of all the sporting opportunities we offer the children in before and after school clubs; our sports week; the work on healthy lifestyles; and our participation in local sporting tournaments. Well done to all the children and staff and particularly Mr Alcock for leading our PE activities.



Y5 Ancient Greek Projects

Well done to all of the Year 5 children who have been working hard at home to complete their projects on the Ancient Greeks. We've had models, PowerPoint presentations, pottery, drawings, cookery books and more. The staff are so impressed with the outcomes and with the children's presentations to the rest of the class.



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.

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| N1 | Amber S |
| N2 | Nina B |
| F2/1 | Theo C |
| F2/2 | Leo B |
| Y1/1 | Lucy B |
| Y1/2 | Max B |
| Y2/1 | Alex H |
| Y2/2 | Riley W |
| Y3/1 | Lucy D |
| Y3/2 | Joseph S |
| Y4/1 | Elliot H |
| Y4/2 | Alana M-I |
| Y5/1 | Lucy G |
| Y5/2 | Suneyna A |
| Y6/1 | Ryan H |
| Y6/2 | Lucy-Mae H |



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