



Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

Thoughtfulness and Respect



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Food Tech Treat

We are so pleased that this week, our Y5 children made the very first use of our new food technology room. Having learned about the importance of food hygiene and safety in the kitchen, the children proceeded to make Pitta bread with tzatziki dip, feta cheese Greek salad and fig flapjacks. They then had the pleasure of tasting them, which was most likely the best bit!



The children loved making use of our new technology room and we were very impressed with how many of them knew their way around a kitchen! Well done to all our Y5 cooks.



The Tony Hughes Award for 'Thoughtfulness and Respect'

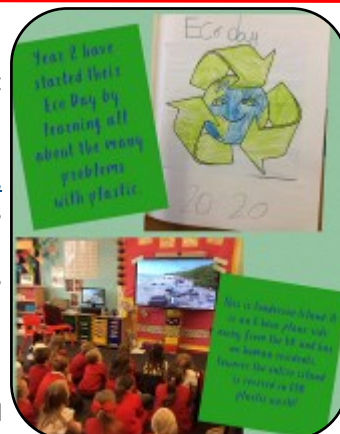
This medallion, in memory of our former Chairman of the PTFA, is presented each week to a worthy child from each class.

Y1/1	Mollie M
Y1/2	Lila M
Y2/1	Jacob M
Y2/2	Theo C
Y3/1	Ava H-N
Y3/2	Liam B
Y4/1	Dominik W
Y4/2	Henri D
Y5/1	Mason T
Y5/2	Emily S
Y6/1	Kinga I
Y6/2	Aaron S

ECO Day

We had a great Eco Day on Tuesday with children finding out about many issues which affect our world. As we can't yet gather together in assemblies, the Eco Warriors sent their messages on a video which teachers shared with their classes. If you would like to watch our [video](#), [this is the link](#). The children learned so much about why the Future Viat is happening to our planet and what things we can do to help it. The Y1 children made litter pickers, Y4 made Eco Owls by reusing plastic bottles and all the children made an Eco Promise.

Year 6 worked in groups to create their Future Visions Challenges which will be shared with the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF). They did an incredible job, writing and performing their own powerful songs and poems. Here is one of their [videos](#).



HARVEST Donations

Thank you so much to everyone that has sent in food donations during the last couple of weeks for the Bethel church. Your generosity has been overwhelming and we can assure you that all donations have been very gratefully received.



Reception Children Nasal Flu Vaccinations

For those Reception children that were due to receive their nasal flu vaccinations this Tuesday, a date will be organised after half term. We await confirmation of the Nurse Health Hub as to their availability.

Health and Wellbeing

World Food Day

On the week that marks World Food Day, we encourage everyone to take time to think about the food we eat each day, where that food comes from and the journey that it takes before it is eaten. World Food Day is celebrated every year around the world on the 16th October; the date that the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations was founded in 1945. We talk a lot at school about making healthy and sustainable choices however it is important to recognise that these don't need to be huge changes to your existing relationship with food. A small change can have a huge impact. For more information on World Food Day, visit the website <http://www.fao.org/world-food-day/home/en/>



Parent/Carer Teacher call

All of our classes have now had their parent/carers teacher phone call, (except half of Miss Heath's class, see below). The feedback from teachers was that the discussions were very positive and useful. We do hope you feel the same.

A reminder that, while there may not be a further scheduled call this term, if you ever have need to speak to your child's teacher with a concern, then you can always contact the school office who will arrange for a call back to you.

Miss Heath's Parent/Carer Phone Calls

As Miss Heath was poorly this Wednesday when she should have been making her parent/teacher calls, these have been re-arranged for Tuesday 3rd November. A new Parents Evening invite will be sent at 6:00 p.m. for you to re-book a new slot.

School Meals after half term

We have a new school dinner menu starting after half-term. There will be new items available including Meat and Potato Pie, Cottage Pie, Hash Brown Waffles, Rainbow Cookies & Caramel Shortbread.

Also available will be a ham, tuna or cheese sandwich option for those pupils who do not like the main course. If your child requires a sandwich, please type in the dietary requirement box on your ParentMail form. Keep your eye out for our Bonfire Special too!

Y1 Superhero Day

Today our Y1 children have had a fantastic superhero day. Our superheroes have come in a whole range of outfits each with a different superhero strength which the children have been talking and writing about in class. Well done Y1!



Y2 Alice and Friends Tea Party

Our Y2 children have also had a brilliant Alice in Wonderland day. They have been reading the 'Alice in Wonderland' book this half term and so, seeing the characters come to life in the children's outfits, has been really special. This afternoon they have enjoyed a Mad Hatter's Tea Party too.



Batteries Galore!

Our Eco efforts continue with yet another barrel of batteries filled and ready for collection. Batteries can be potentially dangerous, especially to small children and animals, so it is really important that we dispose of them carefully. That's why we are really pleased to be able to offer this facility at school. So keep collecting and help us to fill our other barrel. Thank you!



Headteacher's Star Awards

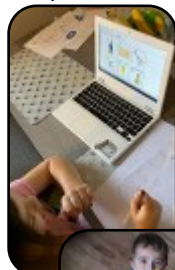
Congratulations to these children who were given this week's Head Teacher's Star Award.

Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner
FS1/1	Alicja P	Y2/2	Evie W
FS1/2	Joseph and Jacob C	Y3/1	Lucy B
FS1/3	Ryan G	Y3/2	Zeen A
FS1/4	Logan-Mark H	Y4/1	Bobby M
FS2/1	Gabriela P	Y4/2	Rae B
FS2/2	Cassandra E	Y5/1	Kai B
Y1/1	Layla M	Y5/2	Noah F-J
Y1/2	Mia C	Y6/1	Lacey-J A
Y2/1	San A	Y6/2	Amina K

Fabulous Foundation Stage

We have been so proud with the way all the staff, children and parents/carers have coped with their home learning while in self-isolation since Tuesday.

They have been set activities via Teams for example, in Maths - finding the number that is one more/one less; in Phonics - watching a streamed video the teacher had made on spelling CVC words and matching objects to the initial sound; and in Eco Day - making recycled robots.



School Attendance Target - 96.5%
This week is 96.8% - ABOVE - Well done ALL

F2/1	94.8%	Y3/2	98.9%
F2/2	98.3%	Y4/1	98.8%
Y1/1	97.4%	Y4/2	95.6%
Y1/2	96.3%	Y5/1	97.1%
Y2/1	98.9%	Y5/2	94.8%
Y2/2	96.0%	Y6/1	99.6%
Y3/1	93.9%	Y6/2	94.7%

Prospective Nursery Virtual Open Evening

This year, due to Covid, we are unable to welcome prospective Nursery parents/carers into school to show them and their children our Nursery classroom and outdoor spaces.

Instead, we are in the process of putting together a Virtual Open Evening full of really useful information for parents/carers. This will go live on the website Friday 6th November

We will also be providing an opportunity to join in a video chat to ask any questions that we might not have covered or for individual circumstances on Tuesday 10th November 4 - 6 p.m.

For your information, the Admission Dates are:

- ♦ **High School Admission: closes Saturday 31st October**
- ♦ Reception Admissions: Monday 2nd November
- ♦ Nursery Admissions open: Tuesday 1st December

