



Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

Thoughtfulness and Respect



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Anti-Bullying

This week all our children have carried out activities about bullying. Across the year groups they have learned many things that might have included:

- ◇ Being friendly to each other and how we are all different;
- ◇ About sharing feelings and which adults to talk to if you are feeling bullied;
- ◇ What makes for bullying - that it is persistent, planned, painful and powerful;
- ◇ How you can be a superhero and help others being bullied.

Well done to all the children on helping us all to fight bullying.



Hard at Work at Home!

As the week draws to a close, we'd very much like to congratulate our Reception and Y6 children for the work which they have done whilst isolating at home - whether this be using Microsoft Teams or through the work packs which have been sent home. We were all delighted once again to see how our Reception children have used Teams to help ensure that their learning continues. This week they have enjoyed Phonics, Science, PE, Maths, English, Music, Technology, PSHE and even Dance lessons, using the wealth of resources shared across Teams; the Kahoot Quizzes and Stream videos proving as popular as always! Here are a couple of examples:

[Reception Music Lesson](#) and [Maths Lesson](#)



Our Y6 children have also received a full timetable of lessons across the whole curriculum using Microsoft Teams. We've been very impressed with how sensibly and maturely they have adapted to 'live' lessons delivered each day and we're sure that the children have really enjoyed the opportunity to 'catch up' with their teachers and friends too. Well done boys and girls for working so hard at home, both during the live lessons and also through the self-directed lessons which were posted on Teams too: <https://wke.lt/w/s/GPaMtP>



We look forward to welcoming our Y6 children back to school on Tuesday 24th November and our Reception children on Wednesday 25th November.

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.

F1/1	Lucas V
F1/2	Pyper J
F2/1	Bella B
F2/2	Mathieu R
Y1/1	Scarlett W
Y1/2	Elliott H-T
Y2/1	Zara W
Y2/2	Ayda T
Y3/1	Callum C
Y3/2	Harrison C
Y4/1	Kayden S
Y4/2	Erin L
Y5/1	Kindra C
Y5/2	Marley C
Y6/1	Rebecca B
Y6/2	Callum W

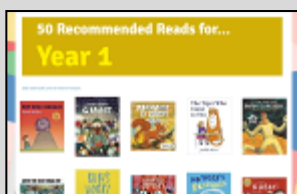
Year 4 Competition

This week the children in Y4 have been competing in a 'Times Tables Rock Stars' competition across Stoke-on-Trent. Well done to all the children who took part and, we are really proud of you! In our school, **Daniel D** had the highest score; scoring 8650 coins this week, taking his total coins to over 1 million! A big well done also to **Bethan B** who won our 'Best Effort' medal for practising regularly over the week! Congratulations to Bethan and Daniel!



Word Millionaires

As a school we encourage all our children to develop a love of reading, both at home and at school, using a range of approaches. One of these is through Accelerated Reader, where Y3-6 have the opportunity to quiz themselves on books they have read. This also keeps track of how many words they have read. We need to say a massive 'Well Done' to **Eli H** and **Jack S** in Y6, who in just three months, have read one million words! An amazing achievement. We're hoping to announce more word millionaires in the next few weeks. If you would like some recommended books for your child, (maybe as a Christmas present?) visit the reading page of our website <https://sandfordhill.org.uk/reading/good-reads/>.



Health and Wellbeing

Road Safety Week

We all want to engage with a healthy lifestyle and a big part of this is being able to enjoy the outdoors safely. However, dangerous roads affect our ability to walk, cycle and become more active. That's why it's important to raise awareness of the risks on roads, as well as ensuring that our children do not become fearful of the outdoors and are able to manage to risks that this can pose. Walking to school is a fantastic way to achieve this however regular conversations to identify road risks can be really useful too. For more information on Road Safety Week, follow the link below.

<http://www.roadsafetyweek.org.uk/>



Y4 Bulb Planting Bonanza

We have been kindly donated 600 bulbs for school, so on Monday and Tuesday next week our Y4 children are being invited to come to school in their outdoor clothes and shoes/trainers or welly boots ready for planting.

- Y4/1 are planting on **Monday 23rd November.**

- Y4/2 are planting on **Tuesday 24th November.**

We will look forward to see which flowers the bulbs produce.



Parent Notices

P.E. Kit

We are so pleased with how super smart our children look when they come to school in their new P.E. kit on P.E. days. This is now part of the school uniform and therefore, would you please ensure that your child wears the items provided: plain black joggers, black top and red polo shirt on their P.E. day.



Arrival Times

In order to help with social distancing and to keep all safe, we have staggered start and end times to the day. It is vital therefore that children are brought to school only at their allotted time.

This morning at 8:30 a.m. there was huge congestion at the front pedestrian gate with year groups waiting too early. Please follow the times to the right and keep your children with you until it is their turn to come into school. Thank you.

Year	Arrive	Collect
Nurs	8:40	2:50
Rec	9:00	3:10
Y1	8:50	3:00
Y2	9:00	3:10
Y3	8:40	3:15
Y4	8:40	3:15
Y5	8:30	3:25
Y6	8:30	3:25

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	Archie H	Y3/1	Leah B
FS1/2	Joshua T	Y3/2	Sebastian H
FS2/1	Lacie-Mai H	Y4/1	Logan T
FS2/2	Stanley W-L	Y4/2	Sereana V
Y1/1	Sofia P	Y5/1	Oliver H-N
Y1/2	Winnie M	Y5/2	Emily S
Y2/1	Leo B	Y6/1	Evie B
Y2/2	Grace B	Y6/2	Kyla M

Children in Need

Many thanks to everyone for the non-uniform donations for 'Children in Need'. We are pleased to tell you that you have raised a fantastic £411.43.

Bethel Church Thanks

We have received a lovely letter from Rev Peter Woodall at the Bethel Church in Longton. He writes to thank everyone at Sandford Hill Primary for the kind donations of food at the time of our harvest, as they will help the church to continue to help those in need. He also states that they are always willing to help in whatever ways they can to anyone who needs support in these difficult times.



Prospective Nursery Virtual Open Evening is NOW LIVE!

Do you know someone who has a child that will be 3 by next September? If so do encourage them to view our Virtual Open Evening on our website: sandfordhill.org.uk/.

There you will find:

- A welcome video
- 'An A-Z of starting in Nursery' information video
- 'Meet the Nursery Staff' profiles
- A video tour of the Nursery classroom
- An online form to complete should you wish a member of staff to contact you about an individual query.

We do hope you find it useful!

For your information, the Admission Dates are:

- ◆ Reception Admissions: Monday 2nd November
- ◆ Nursery Admissions open: Tuesday 1st December



Now Recruiting

We have been asked to share a recruitment drive for people to join health and social care to help fight the covid pandemic. They are particularly looking to reach out to those recently out of work, redundant etc because of covid, but also to clinical people who want to come back to the service or pick up more work if they are working part time. Click on the image right for more information.



School Attendance Target - 96.5%

F1/1	100%	Y2/2	92.1%
F1/2	87.7%	Y3/1	99.3%
F1/3	97.3%	Y3/2	97.0%
F1/4	100%	Y4/1	93.9%
F2/1	Isolating	Y4/2	93.4%
F2/2	Isolating	Y5/1	99.3%
Y1/1	95.2%	Y5/2	97.2%
Y1/2	96.7%	Y6/1	Isolating
Y2/1	99.3%	Y6/2	Isolating

Your Child's Christmas Cards for Sale

Final newsletter reminder for ordering your child's designed Christmas Cards before the deadline next Friday 27th November. Please use the order form in the ParentMail shop.

The design does not need to be returned to school as they have already been scanned.

