



Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

Thoughtfulness,
Respect and
Hard Work

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Dates for your Diary

Thurs 23rd Sept

Swimming starts Y3 & Y6

Fri 24th Sept

Swimming starts Y4 & Y5

Mon 27th Sept - Fri 1st Oct

Y6 Stanley Head

Tues 19th & Thurs 21st Sept

Online Open Evenings

Wed 20th Oct

School photos

Mon 25th - Fri 29th Oct

HALF TERM

Fri 5th Nov

Rec to Y6 Fluenz vaccine

Fri 17th Dec

LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

Wed 26th Jan

Choir to Young Voices

Sporting Superstars

We hope the children agree that this has been the most fantastic Sportsweek. The children have done such a wide range of activities including a selection from running, bouncing, skipping, scooting, clubbercising, cricket, blind football, rugby, BMX and much more.

The week started for years 3 to 6 with fascinating talks from our two visiting GB long jump athletes, Feron Sayers and Ryan Raghoo, both with different but inspiring journeys to competing for Great Britain. Read more on our twitter feed:

[@Sandford_hill](https://twitter.com/Sandford_hill)



We also had sessions from our friends @stokecity who spoke to the children about careers within sport. They were very pleased to present medals to some of the children for their hard work and wonderful listening skills - just what's needed in the workplace!

During the week all the children were repeatedly directed to the sporting key words: **Equality, Inclusion** and **Fairness**. Below are the definitions shared with the children:

Equality

Everyone is treated the same

Inclusion

Everyone has the chance to take part

Fairness

Playing by the rules

Please ask your child if they can remember these words and what they mean to help us ensure the legacy of sportsweek continues.

As the week comes to a close with so many wonderful memories made it would be wonderful to see all of our children continuing to take part in physical activities to support their health and wellbeing. As well as this we would like to thank to Mr Alcock for overseeing the week, but also a special thank you to Miss Morton for all her hard work ensuring that all the activities ran smoothly, even coping with last minute cancellations.



The Tony Hughes medal for 'Thoughtfulness and Respect' awarded each week to a child in every class.

R1	Grace M
R2	Harry R
Y1/G3	Megan W
Y1/G4	Mason N
Y2/G1	William B
Y2/G2	Sophie G
Y3/F3	Kaitlin B
Y3/F4	Hunter H
Y4/F1	Olivia M
Y4/F2	Chloe T-W
Y5/RBL	Evelyn L
Y5/RBR	Kaytee L
Y6/FBR	Aston M
Y6/FBL	Patryk W

Blog Spot!

We do hope you have been keeping up with all the physical activities your children have been doing through our social media: Twitter, Facebook and our school blog:

sandfordhill.schoolblogs.org

Here are some shortcuts directly to your child's blog pages:

Early Years

[Year 1](#)

[Year 2](#)

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)

Next Week's School Meal Choice - see lunchtime changes on Page 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main meal	Pizza, Diced Potatoes and Sweetcorn	All Day Breakfast (Sausage, Hash Brown, Beans, Cheese Oatcake)	Breaded Chicken Grill, Mash and Beans	Roast Turkey, Diced Roasties, Mixed Veg, Stuffing and Gravy	Fish, Chips and Garden Peas
Alternative Option	Cheese or Tuna Baguette with Fruit	Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans	Ham, Cheese or Tuna Roll with Crisps	Jacket Potato with Cheese and/or Beans	Ham, Cheese or Tuna Baguette with Fruit

Milk

Milk has now gone live on ParentMail should you wish to purchase it for your child. Milk is a semi-skimmed carton that they will receive daily. Pupils eligible for Free School Meals have been offered milk directly.

Spitfire Saturday Fly Past

It may be worth keeping eyes peeled on the skies above Stoke tomorrow as a Spitfire is due to fly over the city at 12:38 to mark the opening of the new Spitfire gallery at The Potteries Museum. The Spitfire was designed by Stoke On Trent's very own Reginald Mitchell who is celebrated in our new hall display.. If anyone manages to capture any photographs of the Spitfire on its fly past, we would very much like to see them. Please email parent@sandfordhill.org.uk

In addition, to celebrate the return of Stoke-on-Trent's restored Spitfire RW388 and the opening of its new home, at the Potteries Museum & Art Gallery (PMAG), there is a family-fun weekend (18 & 19 September) of activity in the city centre.

There will be an array of fun and fascinating events for everyone to enjoy, such as craft workshops for children, street performers, living history groups, special film screenings, talks, music and lots more. The activities are due to take place at locations including the museum, Smithfield, Mitchell Art Centre, Bethesda Chapel and Gardens, Piccadilly, the Regent Theatre, the Potteries Centre, and City Central Library. Download the full programme of activity at www.visitstoke.co.uk/spitfire.



Headteacher's Star Award	
Congratulations to these children who will receive a card from Mr Wardle for their Hard Work.	
R1	Charlie H
R2	Edie C
Y1/G3	Mason H
Y1/G4	William L
Y2/G1	Eliza P
Y2/G2	Woody E
Y3/F3	George C
Y3/F4	Grace B
Y4/F1	Sebastian H
Y4/F2	Harry E
Y5/RBL	Oscar S
Y5/RBR	Ella B
Y6/FBR	Joseph S
Y6/FBL	Lucy D

Clubs

Today your child will have come home with a club record with dates for the club(s) that they have been allocated a place on.

Due to there not having been clubs since Covid hit, the request for places has been massive and so all but 4 of the 16 clubs being run are oversubscribed. Because of this, **if your child has been allocated a place, then please ensure that they do attend every session listed on the club record.** If your child does not attend and we are not notified, then we will offer that place to the next child on the waiting list.

Reminders:

- If your child has a sports club before school and it is not their usual PE day, they will need to come into school in their PE kit and bring their uniform to change into;
- If your child has a sports club after school and it is not their usual PE day, they will need bring their PE kit to change into after school;
- If your child has been allocated a place at Gardening club, they will need to bring wellies/old shoes or trainers to wear;
- If your child has been invited to John Muir club, they will need to bring old clothes and wellies/shoes that you do not mind getting muddy.

All pupils must be dropped off/collected from outside the school office.

Parent Notices -

- **Un-named clothing** - sportsweek and hot weather has flagged up the number of items of clothing that are not named. It is not possible to ensure a safe return of lost items if clothing, lunch boxes and water bottles are not named. Please would you check all items this weekend. Many thanks.
- **Lunchtimes** - next Monday, 20th September, we will finally be returning to the school hall for eating dinners. Up until now the children have been eating in the classroom, with school dinners being provided in disposable containers. As previously stated, there will be no more ParentMail dinner forms for you to complete. Instead your child will now be asked what they would like from the kitchen when they go up to collect their lunch (with the exception of Nursery who will have the 'main meal' option daily). This is going to be a big change and a new experience for many as we re-introduce our lunchtime hall routines.
- **Newsletter feedback** - next week we hope to send out the previously mentioned newsletter survey. As a first step for that, we would appreciate your help with knowing how many people have read this newsletter. Please click on the following link which will take you to a page on our website with a counter that will show us how many reads. [Newsletter Read Counter](#)

Birthdays

Wishing all these children a very **Happy Birthday** next week:

- Harry-George D
- Lottie A
- Zeen A
- Cooper W
- Billy D
- Ollie E
- Lexi L
- Noor A
- Harper B
- Arthur R
- Charlie A
- Isabelle B
- Jayden W
- Briley S



School Attendance Target - 96.5%
This week is 94.7% - below our school target.

R1	93.2%	Y3/F4	96.8%
R2	93.6%	Y4/F1	94.6%
Y1/G3	97.1%	Y4/F2	96.9%
Y1/G4	95.7%	Y5/RBL	95.0%
Y2/G1	97.0%	Y5/RBR	92.3%
Y2/G2	96.1%	Y6/FBR	92.1%
Y3/F3	96.5%	Y6/FBL	92.3%