



Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

Thoughtfulness,
Respect and
Hard Work

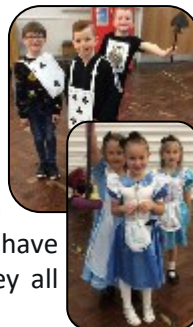
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A Long Half Term ends on a High!

These first seven weeks back after the summer break always feels like the longest half term of the year. As we busily settle back into school routines, children get to know their new teacher and their teacher gradually learns all about their class. As a school, we are focussing on key skills and knowledge to help the children make up for missed learning during Covid lockdowns. We are providing intensive support for the basics of reading and number, as well as offering a breadth of interesting topics across the curriculum.

Today, Year 2 ended their story-based topic of the book "Alice in Wonderland", with a dressing up day. The children have played croquet, have made their own pocket watches, just like the white rabbits and then they all enjoyed their Mad Hatter's Tea Party.



Another half term high is our Year 6 Times Tables Rock Stars achievement. Being able to recall their times tables is a vital skill for children, so we are really proud that in this week's city wide Year 6 TT Rockstars competition, called 'Top of the Rocks!', the children have worked exceptionally hard to keep Sandford Hill in **first place** all week. They have finished the week, with an amazing lead, with just 5 hours to go at the time of writing, not only in first place of all schools, but with both Year 6 classes in first and second places. We are all really proud of the Year 6 children and they truly deserve their first place.

Position	School average / user
1	Sandford Hill Primary School 9,050
2	Park Hall Academy, Stoke-on-Trent 7,044
3	Newstead Primary Academy, Stoke-on-trent 6,512

May we wish the children and you all an enjoyable half term.

The Tony Hughes medal for 'Thoughtfulness and Respect' awarded each week to a child in every class.	
N1	Bella H-T
N2	Tilly H
R1	Emily L
R2	Briar B
Y1/G3	Bella B
Y1/G4	Simi K
Y2/G1	Amber S
Y2/G2	Jake M
Y3/F4	Lacey-Mae C
Y3/F3	Jensen W
Y4/F2	Caden H
Y4/F1	Naomi D-S-D
Y5/RBL	Joseph V
Y5/RBR	Charlie B
Y6/FBR	Emily S
Y6/FBL	Kindra C

Farewell and Thank You

Today we say goodbye to a valued colleague, Mrs Liz Brennan, who has been a lunchtime supervisor with us for over 18 years. She has supported so many children through the school, both during lunchtimes, but also escorting Nursery children on their library visits. We would like to thank her for her commitment and care of the children at Sandford Hill and wish her well as she moves to full time employment.

Dates for the Diary

Mon 25th - Fri 29th Oct

HALF TERM

Tues 2nd & Wed 3rd Nov

Y5 visit Tesco

Fri 5th Nov

Rec to Y6 Fluenz vaccine - only if requested on ParentMail

Fri 17th Dec

LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

Wed 26th Jan

Choir to Young Voices

This week's Parent/Teacher Meetings

This week there have been parents/carers meetings held virtually for 81% of our children. We do hope that you found the discussion useful; a partnership approach between school and home is a wonderful way to secure the best possible outcomes for our children. Do please remember though that you can contact your child's class teacher (via the school office) at any time, should you have anything you wish to discuss.

Similarly your child's class teacher will contact you throughout the year, should they have any further information to share with you.

Next School Week's School Meals—all served with a dessert and drink

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday—BONFIRE SPECIAL
Main meal	Pizza, Diced Potatoes and Sweetcorn	All Day Breakfast (Sausage, Vegi Sausage, Hash Browns, Cheese Oatcake and Beans)	Breaded Chicken Grill, Mashed Potato and Beans	Fish, Chips and Garden Peas	Cheese 'Catherine Whirl', Spiral Fries and Banger Beans
Alternative Option	Cheese or Tuna Baguette with Fruit	Filled Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans	Ham, Cheese or Tuna Roll with Crisps	Ham, Cheese or Tuna Sandwiches with Crisps	Jacket Potato with Chilli con Carne or Cheese & Beans

Parent Notices

Please note: NO CLUBS THE FIRST WEEK BACK AFTER HALF TERM.

School Photos - The children all looked so smart for their school photos this Wednesday and we hope you will be really pleased with the result. Proofs will be sent out in the first week after half term for you to order.

This week's blog posts

[Strawberry & Orange](#) [Apples & Pears](#)

[Reception's visit to the woods](#)

[Y1 Wedding](#)

[Yr 1 Adopted Trees](#)

[Year 3 Rattle Them Bones](#)

[Y4 Anderson Shelters](#) [Anderson Shelters 2](#)

[Y4 Leaf Characteristics](#) [Y5 Greek Collages!](#)

[Harry Potter Art!](#) [Y6 rockin' all over S-o-T](#)

[UnBEARlievable Sewing in Y6](#)

[John Muir Club Oct15th](#)

**Sandford Hill
Blog**

Birthdays

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

- Ethan D
- Jaxon H
- Jordell-Leroy A
- Callum C
- Lily-Mae G
- Noah K
- Amilia P
- Jack S
- Tayla D
- Martha-Rose L
- James M
- Ellie H
- Jamie K
- Isabella J



HEADTEACHER'S TERMLY STAR AWARDS

Congratulations to these children who were presented with the Head Teacher's Termly Star Award for demonstrating our school values of thoughtfulness, respect, aspiration, resilience and co-operation.

Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner
N1	Ollie S	Y3/F4	Rowan J
N2	Matthias DSD	Y3/F3	Poppy J
R1	Jensen B	Y4/F2	Abbey J
R2	Amelia H	Y4/F1	Evelyn T
Y1/G3	Travis M	Y5/RBL	Skyla-Beau R
Y1/G4	Mason N	Y5/RBR	Tayla D
Y2/G1	Nina B	Y6/FBR	James W
Y2/G2	Lily-Grace DSD	Y6/FBL	Lucy D

Congratulations and Well Done

- Well done to **Marshall H** who has achieved his Stage 3 in swimming. We are super proud of him.
- Congratulations to **Harry E**, who was awarded his Octopus 3 swimming certificate. Super well done to **Isabella K** for achieving 5 trampoline awards. How bounce-tastic is that!
- Congratulations to **Oliver D** who has been awarded the Under 10s Manager's Award for his cricket team. Well done Oliver!
- Well done also to **Dominik W** who shared his bronze swimming awards with us. A great achievement!
- Many congratulations to **Olivia W** who has not only achieved her Stage 4 swimming certificate, but she also has a medal and football trophy.
- **Bethan** and **William B** wanted to grow something different when we were in lockdown earlier this year. They chose pumpkins and here they are!



End of Term Merit Certificates

Congratulations to all the children listed who have been awarded a certificate for progress and attainment through the term.

Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner	Class	Award Winner
N1	Evie-Leigh E Bella H-T Blayke D Lily M Betsy H Arthur R	N2	Sunny M Lyla T Matei D Elsie S Ally-Rae H Isla P	Y3/ F4	Stanley R Lacey-Mae C Mollie-Mae E Theo C Jack E	Y3/ F3	Caleb T Olivia W Leo B Zara W Sam T
R1	Henry R Emily L Nathan P Eeligh R Maisie S	R2	Roberta S Edie C Elliot D Lillia-Grace B Archie H	Y4/ F2	Harrison D Summer W Flo B Alecia O Harry E	Y4/ F1	Luke H Sebastian H Deni R Emma B Lily M-N
Y1/ G3	Mason H Salem S Ivy Jane F Josiah D Tommy C	Y1/ G4	Myla M Cassandra E Noah D William L Keegan A	Y5/ RBL	Joseph V Jenna B Dominic M Isabella L Daniel I	Y5/ RBR	Kaytee L Billy D Lucas C Ella B Daniel D
Y2/ G1	Bellamy M Lexi L Niamh J Jensen F William B	Y2/ G2	Vinny E Sophie G Henry H Freya L Suleiman J	Y6/ FBR	Blake W Isobel S Evie-Rose M Jordell A Noah F-J	Y6/ FBL	Ellie H Adena P Bethany P Tyler C Owen W

School Attendance Target - 96%

This week is 91.2% - below our school target.

N1	66.9%	Y2/G2	93.8%
N2	70.0%	Y3/F4	96.6%
N3	73.8%	Y3/F3	94.2%
N4	77.7%	Y4/F2	89.3%
R1	94.0%	Y4/F1	94.5%
R2	97.0%	Y5/RBL	97.2%
Y1/G3	91.7%	Y5/RBR	88.3%
Y1/G4	92.3%	Y6/FBR	97.6%
Y2/G1	96.6%	Y6/FBL	97.4%



BONFIRE SPECIAL

Cheese Whirl

or

Filled Jacket Potato

(Chilli con Carne, Beans or Cheese)

or

Beef burger / Quorn Burger

served with

Spiral Fries

and

Banger Beans

Chocolate Cracknell

or

Pinwheel Biscuit

Choice of Drink

Served on Friday 5 November 2021



FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

Come and join us for two hours of fantastic football this half term. Live the life of your favourite Premier League Stars as we host a festival of tricks, turns and tournaments.

Children need to wear comfortable clothes/trainers and bring their own water bottle. Our team are fully insured, enhanced DBS checked, trained in Paediatric First Aid and Safeguarding children.

**HANLEY PARK
SPORTS PAVILION
3G ASTRO PITCH
THURSDAY OCT 28
10:00 - 12:00**

This festival has been kindly supported & funded by all of our friends below.

These sessions are **FREE**

HANLEY
PARK



Children will be grouped according to age ...

- Juniors (7-8 Years)
- Intermediates (9-10 Years)
- Seniors (11-13 Years)

Simply turn up on the day, complete a registration form and join us for a fun packed morning.

Call: 01782 366 332



Read our reviews! ★★★★★

