



Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

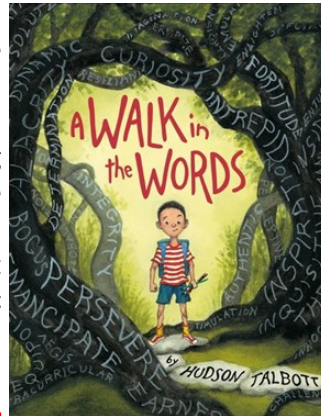
Thoughtfulness,
Respect and
Hard Work

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A Walk in the Words

In assembly this week, the children have been learning about the importance of reading. I shared the book, 'A Walk in the Words', which has the message that relishing a story at your own pace brings tremendous rewards. I told the children that being different is a good thing. Indeed, a person with dyslexia can be very good at seeing patterns, solving problems or taking things apart, understanding how they work and figuring out how to put them back together again. The children learned that dyslexic people can do lots of fabulous things but they might just do them differently to others.



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

N1	Ally-Rae H
N2	Tobiasz L
R1	Jack S-G
R2	Hana A
Y1/G3	Roxanna W
Y1/G4	Theodore T
Y2/G1	Lillie-Jo R
Y2/G2	Ava P
Y3/F4	Imogen W
Y3/F3	Olivia W
Y4/F2	Callum C
Y4/F1	Thomas E
Y5/RBL	Georgia B
Y5/RBR	Skylar H
Y6/FBR	Charlie S
Y6/FBL	Lucy D

Stoke City Football Tickets - We were delighted to hear from Stoke City that the children and families of Sandford Hill have set a new City 7s record and have requested a total of 315 tickets for this Saturday's fixture with Fulham FC. Looking at Fulham's recent form – it looks as though plenty of goals will be the order of the day but let's all hope that most of them go the way of The Potters! Enjoy the game everyone.

Keeping with football, it has also be very rewarding to hear that former Stoke City manager Lou Macari has been recognised by charity magazine the Big Issue for his work with homeless people. Lou was named as a Changemaker in 2022 by the magazine after he set up a centre dedicated to helping people in poverty. Another resident of our city to be proud of!

Clubs restarting - We are pleased to inform you that 'before and after school clubs' will be restarting from Monday 31st January. To try to make up for the missed weeks, the clubs will run for 8 weeks, including the weeks immediately before and after half term and finishing on Friday 1st April. Please ensure you go through the Clubs ParentMail form with your child this weekend to choose which club they would like to attend. As always, we will do our best

to enable every child to go to at least one club of their choosing. In return, we do expect children to attend the club once they have been allocated a place, as clubs are often oversubscribed. Thank you.

Dates for the Diary

Tues 25th January

Reception Fieldwork with Mr Fox

Thurs 27th January

Interim Governor Meeting 5pm

Tues 8th February

Y1 Fieldwork with Mr Fox

Mon 21st - Fri 25th February

HALF TERM

Wed 18th May

Young Voices - Rearranged Date

Mon 9th - Thurs 12th May

Y6 SATs

Congratulations Mrs Mitchell

We are so pleased to be able to share that Mrs Mitchell has a new addition to her family - baby Matilda weighing 7lbs and 15oz. Mother and baby are doing well. We send our very best wishes to all the family and look forward to meeting Matilda soon.



Bagels Update - Bagels should be restarting again on Tuesday.

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

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main meal	Sausage/Vegi Sausage, Wedges & Sweetcorn	Pasta Bake with Garlic Crusty Bread	Fish Fingers, Mash & Beans	Roast Gammon/Quorn Roast, Potatoes, Seasonal Veg & Gravy	Fish, Chips and Peas
Alternative Option (Reception to Y6 only)	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans or a Ham/Cheese/Tuna Roll	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans or a Ham/Cheese/Tuna Roll	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans or a Ham/Cheese/Tuna Roll	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans or a Ham/Cheese/Tuna Roll	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans or a Ham/Cheese/Tuna Roll

Parent/Carer Notices

Applying for Early Years places at Sandford Hill Primary

Nursery - The online portal for nursery applications for September 2022 is currently open with a closing date of **Monday 31st January**. Please use [this link](#) to apply. Paper forms are also available from the main school office. If you have any queries or questions, please call the office or e-mail parent@sandfordhill.org.uk.

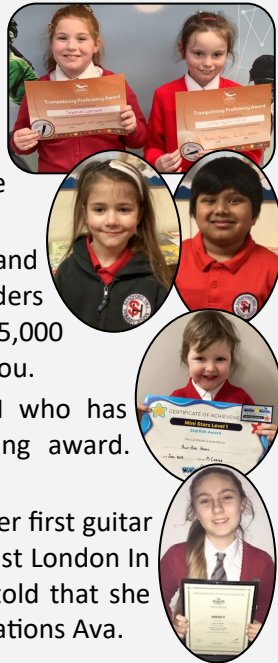
Further testing update - reduced isolation times

Self-isolation for those with COVID-19 can now end after 5 full days following 2 negative Lateral Flow tests. From Monday 17th January, people with COVID-19 in England can end their self-isolation after 5 full days, as long as they test negative on day 5 and day 6 and do not have a temperature. Therefore if your child has tested positive for Covid, please test them with a lateral flow **early** (normal get up time) on Day 5 and at the same time on Day 6. If both tests come back negative, then your child can return to school on Day 6. It is so important that your child misses as little school as possible, so if unsure please contact the office.

Roadworks commence - In case you aren't aware, according to the sign, roadworks are due to start on Heathcote Street from next Monday 24th Jan to Friday 4th Feb between 9:30am and 3:30pm. This is naturally cause issues for those using the road to bring and collect children. Can we please ask for your consideration of local residents and allow extra time to get here when picking up.

Congratulations and Well Done

- Congratulations to **Sophie L** and **Chloe T-W** who have both achieved their Level 8 Trampolining Award! Well done girls!
- Well done to **Ingrid S** and **Suleiman J**, more fantastic readers in Y2 who have reached 25,000 words. Fantastic work both of you.
- Congratulations to **Ally-Rae H** who has achieved her starfish swimming award. Super swimming Ally-Rae.
- Well done to **Ava T** who took her first guitar exam with the University of West London In December. She has just been told that she passed with a merit. Congratulations Ava.



School Attendance Target -96%
This week attendance is 93.0%
which is below our school target.

N1	96.6%	Y2/G2	90.0%
N2	85.8%	Y3/F4	91.9%
N3	88.0%	Y3/F3	87.4%
N4	79.8%	Y4/F2	97.0%
R1	89.6%	Y4/F1	97.5%
R2	86.6%	Y5/RBL	96.8%
Y1/G3	95.9%	Y5/RBR	94.4%
Y1/G4	95.6%	Y6/FBR	92.5%
Y2/G1	97.0%	Y6/FBL	98.2%

Headteacher's Star Award
Congratulations to these children who received this week's Head Teacher's Star Award for Hard Work.

N1	Evie-Leigh E
N2	George W
R1	Emily L
R2	Cadi R
Y1/G3	Millie P
Y1/G4	Alice G
Y2/G1	Jensen F
Y2/G2	Elliot H-T
Y3/F4	Katie B
Y3/F3	Jacob M
Y4/F2	Briley S
Y4/F1	Emma B
Y5/RBL	Sienna-Mae H-J
Y5/RBR	James M
Y6/FBR	Lenny M
Y6/FBL	Ava T

Birthdays

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

- Mathieu R
- Charlotte W
- Liam B
- Imogen W
- Isla P
- Kayden S
- Layla C
- Sereana V
- Joseph V



Cooking Cobblers

This week, our Year 4 children have been demonstrating their culinary skills making some amazing peach cobblers – putting our fantastic technology room to good use! Firstly, the children practised their cutting skills, carefully slicing peaches for the filling. Next, they carefully measured and weighed flour, butter and brown sugar for the crumble topping. The children must have read the scales very well as the crumbles were a huge success. To top it off, they also washed all of the dishes, tidied up and followed all of our food hygiene rules! I'm sure you'll agree the children did a fab job and the cobblers looked delicious!

Over the next few weeks other year groups will also be making delicious foods in the food technology room, so do please watch out for a ParentMail checking on dietary requirements.

