



Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

Thoughtfulness

Respect

Hard Work

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Attendance Matters

At Sandford Hill, we believe that regular attendance is imperative in ensuring that each child has the opportunity to thrive and to be the best that they can be. We understand that there will be occasions when children are unwell with coughs/cold and stomach bugs but otherwise, please ensure they attend school regularly.

*If your child has 98% attendance, this equates to 4 days off per year

*If they have 95% attendance, this equates to 9 days off per year

*If they have 90% attendance, this equates to 20 days per year resulting in them missing out on 20 maths lessons, 20 English lessons, 20 lunchtimes spent with friends.

Attendance is important. **If your child is well enough, please ensure that they come to school everyday, on time.** School are able to administer medicines should you child feel slightly under the weather, please sign these in at the office/FSU. Please remember to report all absence on the ParentMail or absence line by 9:15 a.m.

Be an attendance
★ **HERO** ★
Here
Everyday
Ready
On time

Y6 Trip to Stanley Head

Next week, Y6 pupils will be going on their residential trip to Stanley Head. I am sure that they will have a fantastic time and make memories that will last a lifetime. Enjoy yourselves Y6!

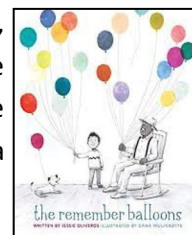
The Tony Hughes medal for 'Thoughtfulness and Respect' awarded each week to a child in every class.

Dementia Awareness Day 2022

Our school assemblies this week have celebrated Dementia Awareness Day 2022. We shared the story of Grandad's Hat with our younger children. This is a very light hearted story which tells of how Grandad is becoming more and more forgetful and needs help to find his favourite hat. In the assembly, the children were cheered to learn that it was his grandchildren who finally managed to track it down...in the fridge!



We then shared the story of The Remember Balloons with our older children. This story tells of how Grandpa has memories stored as colourful balloons which sadly, over time, begin to float away. We hoped the stories have supported the children in learning about some of the symptoms of dementia in a positive and engaging way. Further help and advice on matters related to dementia is available through The Alzheimer's Society website.



'We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone' Ronald Reagan

Whilst we appreciate times are hard for us all, it's the time of year when we need your help. We are asking for food donations towards our harvest festival to help those in need. Food parcels will be delivered by school to the local community. The remaining food items will then be taken to Pastor Pete at The Bethel Church. They help many people in the area, including families of our own. If you have any non-perishable food items that you would like to donate for our harvest hampers e.g. tins of beans, pasta, cereal, juice, then we will begin collecting items from next **Monday 26th September**.

Birthdays

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

- Briley S
- Georgia B
- Betsy H
- William L
- Caleb M
- Cassandra E
- Isatou J
- Mya G
- Layla M



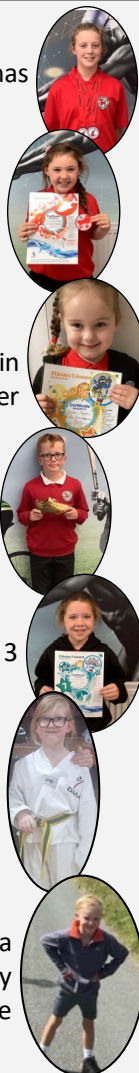
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| N | Daisy-Beau M-N |
| R1 | Logan P |
| R2 | Ollie S |
| Y1/G3 | Amelia T |
| Y1/G4 | Briar B |
| Y2/G1 | Spencer Hu |
| Y2/G2 | Simi K |
| Y3/F3 | Mollie M |
| Y3/F4 | Poppy T |
| Y4/RBL | Lowry B |
| Y4/RBR | Mollie-Mae E |
| Y5/1 | Summer W |
| Y5/2 | Elizabeth R |
| Y6/FBL | Archie M |
| Y6/FBR | Georgia B |

Parent Notices

- **Open Evening**— Open evening appointments have now gone live on ParentMail. We will be holding our parent/carer open evenings face to face in school on Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th October. A creche will run in the school hall for the duration of the evening. We have had a huge influx of donated school uniform. Last year, we held a uniform sale in the school hall. This year however, to help wherever we can, the uniform will be displayed in the hall but will be free of charge. Please do come along to have a look at the items to see if there are any that may be useful to you.
- **Pupil Safety**— Again, we ask that all pupils stay on the tarmac at the end of the school day when waiting for their siblings and do not run along the grass banks near the drive.
- **Peter Pan Pantomime**— This year, we have managed to obtain discounted pantomime tickets for families. The tickets are not compulsory. If you and your family would like to go to this years pantomime, 'Peter Pan' at The Regent Theatre on 9th December, then we have discounted tickets available in the ParentMail shop. Band A tickets are £26.50 each instead of £34.50 and Band B tickets are £20.00 each instead of £27.50.

Congratulations and Well Done

- Congratulations to **Isabella L** who has won swimming backstroke and freestyle at a gala at Fenton over the weekend. Well done Isabella. Keep on swimming!
- Well done to **Lacie-Mae H** in Year 2 who has achieved her Goldfish 1 award at swimming. Fantastic!
- Congratulations to **Amber T** in Reception who has received her Stanley 3 award for her fantastic swimming. Well done Amber!
- Well done to **Max B** who was awarded the 'Player Of The Match' trophy for his performance on Sunday. Great game Max!
- Congratulations to **Nina B** in Year 3 who has achieved her Stanley 7 award at swimming. Well done Nina!
- Well done to **Darci-Jade C** who has passed her taekwondo colour belt grading and now has a blue belt. Keep up the good work Darci-Jade!
- Congratulations to **Tommy C** who over the summer holidays raised a fantastic £380 for charity by completing a 7 mile hike. Well done Tommy for being so thoughtful!



Headteacher's Star Award

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

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| N | Arabella S-J |
| R1 | Adam R |
| R2 | Stephen S |
| Y1/G3 | Roberta S |
| Y1/G4 | Harry R |
| Y2/G1 | Henry F |
| Y2/G2 | Casey M |
| Y3/F3 | Amelia C |
| Y3/F4 | Ava-Rae M |
| Y4/RBL | Martha-Rose L-C |
| Y4/RBR | Bradley B |
| Y5/1 | Maab H |
| Y5/2 | Reggie L |
| Y6/FBL | Logan T |
| Y6/FBR | Daniel I |

Dates for the Diary

Mon 26th to Fri 30th September

Y6 to Stanley Head

Monday 26th September

Open evening drop in for prospective nursery parents 3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Monday 10th October

KS1 Harvest Assembly p.m.

Tuesday 11th October

KS2 Harvest Assembly a.m.

(St Mary and Chad's Church—Parents welcome)

Thurs 13th October

Interim Governors Meeting

Mon 17th & Wed 19th October

Open Evenings

Monday 17th October

Y4/RBL River Study

Tuesday 18th October

Y4/RBR River Study

Mon 24th to Fri 28th October

Half Term

School Attendance Target is 96%

This week attendance is 96.0% which is our school target.

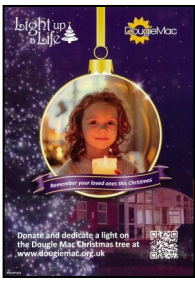
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| N1 | 100% | Y3/F3 | 96.3% |
| N2 | 100% | Y3/F4 | 91.0% |
| N3 | 100% | Y4/RBL | 99.6% |
| R1 | 91.7% | Y4/RBR | 89.6% |
| R2 | 81.7% | Y5/F1 | 99.2% |
| Y1/G3 | 100% | Y5/F2 | 97.3% |
| Y1/G4 | 100% | Y6/FBL | 94.2% |
| Y2/G1 | 99.2% | Y6/FBR | 94.4% |
| Y2/G2 | 97.3% | | |



Dinner Menu—Week commencing 26th September 2022

All meals are served with a dessert and drink (vegetarian options available). An alternative option of jacket potatoes and sandwiches are available for Reception to Year 6 daily.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sausage, Mashed Potatoes and Peas | Pizza Slice, Potato Balls with Sweetcorn and Beans | Fish Cake, Mashed Potatoes and Veg | Turkey Dinner or Cheese Oatcake | Fish Fingers, Chips and Peas |



Light up a Life

For the past twenty years, our school choir have been privileged to have been invited to perform at the Douglas Macmillan's annual 'Light up a Life' service. This year however, our choir will be recorded in school prior to the event and the video will be displayed at the Light up a Life service. This year's service takes place on Thursday 1st December at 7:30p.m. If you would like tickets, they are priced at £3.00 each and they are available on the [Douglas Macmillan website](http://www.douglasmacmillan.org.uk).

Phonics in School

The table below shows which phonemes (sounds) the children have been learning about this week.

| Year Group | Phonemes (Sounds) | Example words to practise reading |
|------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Reception | 'i', 'n', 'm' and 'd' | pin, din, mad, dim, sad, pad |
| Year 1 | 'y' 'z/zz' 'qu' 'ch' | yum, yap zip, zig-zag, fizz quit, quack chip, chicken, chess |
| Year 2 | 'a_e' 'i_e' 'o_e' 'u_e' | cake, shake, flake, snake, game time, shine, nine, bike, prize bone, alone, note, home flute, mute, use, cube, fume, tube |

Weekly Maths Challenge 1

Mr Wardle left the house at 7:14 a.m. and his journey took him 2 hours and 27 minutes. What time did he arrive?

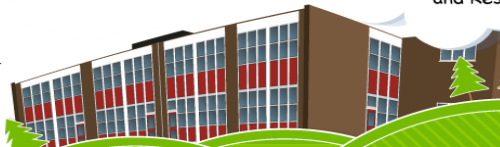
Weekly Maths Challenge 2

Wishy Washes car wash cleans 32 cars per day. They make £2.50 per car.

How much money will they have made in 3 days?



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Nursery Open Evening

26th September & 10th October 2022

3:30 to 5:00p.m.

Clayfield Grove, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent, ST3 5AQ

Tel: 01782 235518

“Thank you Sandford Hill for providing such exciting and valuable experiences for our children.”

What do our families think...?

“Yet again an absolutely fabulous day at the Summer Fayre! It makes me proud to know Sandford Hill is still the remarkable school it was when I was a pupil and I know my children love it as much as I did.”



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