



# Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

Thoughtfulness

Respect

Hard Work

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## MUGA

It's fantastic to see the children enjoying the MUGA for PE lessons and extra-curricular activities. It has already proven to be a fantastic investment for our school and I look forward to the many football matches, cricket tournaments and cross country races to come. Earlier in the week, Blakedown, the company who installed our MUGA, came to take drone photos which clearly show the scale of our new sports area.



## Harvest Festival

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has donated foods for our harvest festival. The items donated will be taken to the local residents and The Bethel Church to Pastor Pete, who helps the local community. We appreciate that times are hard at the moment and we are extremely grateful for the donations we have received. There will be a harvest assembly in school for KS1 pupils on Monday afternoon. KS2 pupils will be going to St Mary and St Chad's Church on Anchor Road on Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. for their harvest assembly led by Y6 School Council Members. Parents/carers are welcome to join us at the church.

## Birthdays

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

- Caleb T
- William B
- Izzabella P
- Gracian P
- Shea T
- Mconnel B
- Archie M
- Grayson-I C
- Nevaeh R



Yesterday in school, we celebrated National Poetry Day. The theme this year was The Environment.

In Nursery, pupils have learned a poem about Autumn leaves and did a fantastic recital which was posted on our [school blog](#). Reception pupils recited a poem called 'Please don't squish me' which was about caring for minibeasts. Meanwhile, Y2 studied the poem 'Seasons of Trees' whilst Y5 pupils recited 'The Tree' by James Carter. Y5 have posted their recital on our school blog too.

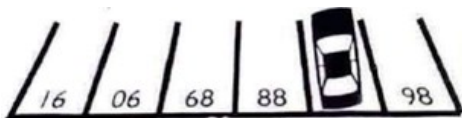
A tree  
Is not like you and  
me - it waits around quite  
patiently - catching kites and  
dropping leaves - reaching out to touch  
the breeze...A tree all day will stand and stare  
clothed in summer, winter - it has no shame  
or modesty...Perhaps its generosity is the greatest in  
the world - it gives a home to every bird, every squirrel,  
feeds them too - to every dog it is a log...And after dark  
what does it do? Catch a falling star or two? Shimmy  
in the old moonlight? Or maybe have a conker fight?  
A tree can give an awful lot : the wood to make a  
baby's cot - pencils, paper, tables, chairs - lolly  
sticks as well as stairs ...Without a tree we  
could not live - a tree, it seems just  
loves to give -  
but us :  
we  
chop  
we  
take  
we  
burn  
that's  
what we  
do in return

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

N	Pippa L
R1	Antoni K
R2	Noor A
Y1/G3	Eeligh R
Y1/G4	Pyper J
Y2/G1	Gabriela P
Y2/G2	Layla C
Y3/F3	Millie H
Y3/F4	Cooper W
Y4/RBL	Sophie-Rae M
Y4/RBR	Lennon B
Y5/1	Lyla-Rai D
Y5/2	Luke H
Y6/FBL	Tayla D
Y6/FBR	Joseph V

## Weekly Maths Challenge 1

Can you work out the number of the space the car has parked in?



## Weekly Maths Challenge 2

Can you work out the values of the pots and pans?

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Pots: } \text{P1} + \text{P2} + \text{P3} = 24 \\
 \text{Pans: } \text{P1} + \text{P4} = 25 \\
 \text{Pans: } \text{P5} - \text{P6} = 8 \\
 \text{Pans: } \text{P1} + \text{P4} + \text{P6} = ??
 \end{array}$$

## Phonics in School

Below are the phonemes (sounds) the children have been learning about this week.

Year Group	Phonemes (Sounds)	Example words
Rec	g	tag dig bag pig
Year 1	ai Eee igh oa	rain sheep light boat
Year 2	o i e ch	both, told kind, find equal, evil christmas, echo

## Parent Notices

- **Open Evening**— There are still appointments available for open evening on Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th October. If you're having difficulty making an appointment, please contact the office who will be happy to help. A creche will run in the hall and doors will open at 3:25pm once all pupils have been dismissed. We ask that parents wait patiently on the drive. Thank you.
- **Home Time Health and Safety**— We appreciate that some of the younger children have a short wait for older siblings but pupils must not run up the grass banks at the end of the school day and must stay on the tarmac with parents/carers at all times. A reminder also that the KS1 play equipment must not be used at the beginning or end of the school day.
- **Peter Pan Pantomime**— We have a 8 discounted panto tickets left. 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.

## Sporting Superstars

Well done to the Year 5/6 cross country team who competed in their first race of the season at Eaton Park on Monday. **Archie, Coby, Emma, Deni, Martha, Oliver, Isabella and Reggie**, you were all fantastic! A special mention for Isabella who finished 1st in her race and for Oliver who finished 3rd in his race.



## Congratulations and Well Done

- Congratulations to **Parker F** who has become our first word millionaire this school year! Well done!
- Well done to **Elliott L** who has achieved his Little Stars Level 3 swimming award. Fantastic Elliott!
- Congratulations to **Tommy C** who was awarded the 'Player Of The Match' trophy from a Hanley Town match at the weekend. Well done!
- Well done to **Ingrid S** who has passed 3 trampolining grades and is now on Level 5, working towards Level 6. Keep up the great work Ingrid!
- Congratulations to **Jack H** who was awarded parents 'Player of the Match' at the weekend. Fantastic Jack!



## Headteacher's Star Award

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

N	Freddie B-W
R1	Calla-Jane F
R2	Thomas C-M
Y1/G3	Maisie S
Y1/G4	Christopher P
Y2/G1	Reggie J
Y2/G2	Keegan A
Y3/F3	Leo P
Y3/F4	Lewis T
Y4/RBL	Isla J
Y4/RBR	Michelle W
Y5/1	Ava H-N
Y5/2	Naomi D-S-D
Y6/FBL	Woodrow T
Y6/FBR	Marium A

## Dates for the Diary

### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October

KS1 Harvest Assembly p.m.

### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October

KS2 Harvest Assembly 10:00 a.m.

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

### Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> October

Interim Governors Meeting

### Mon 17<sup>th</sup> & Wed 19<sup>th</sup> October

Open Evenings

### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October

Y4/RBL River Study Visit

### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Individual & Family Photographs (All pupils must wear their uniform—no PE kit)

### Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Y4/RBR River Study Visit

### Mon 24<sup>th</sup> to Fri 28<sup>th</sup> October

Half Term

### Tues 8<sup>th</sup> November

Y5 trip to Jodrell Bank

## School Attendance Target is 96%

This weeks attendance is 95.3% which is below our school target.

N1	91.1%	Y3/F3	88.9%
N2	94.9%	Y3/F4	91.4%
N3	97.0%	Y4/RBL	96.3%
R1	96.7%	Y4/RBR	98.2%
R2	94.0%	Y5/F1	95.2%
Y1/G3	96.3%	Y5/F2	98.4%
Y1/G4	98.2%	Y6/FBL	94.1%
Y2/G1	99.6%	Y6/FBR	93.9%
Y2/G2	95.2%		

Be an attendance  
★ HERO ★

## Dinner Menu—Week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> October 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
Pizza Swirl with Jacket Wedges, Peas or Beans	All Day Breakfast	Beef Burger with Herby Potatoes, Spaghetti Hoops or Sweetcorn	Chicken Dinner or Cheese and Onion Slice with Mash Potato and Veg	Jumbo Fish with Chips, Peas or Beans