



# Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

Thoughtfulness

Respect

Hard Work

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## 'At the going down of sun and in the morning. We will remember them'

Today marks 104 years since the day World War One ended. Each year, we come together to celebrate Armistice Day to remember those who lost their lives in World War One. Pupils across school have learnt about what poppies represent. In Nursery, pupils have made poppies from bottles and painted their own poppies whilst in Year 5, the children learned about the people who assemble the poppies and the adversities that many of them have to overcome. A huge thank you to everyone who has supported our poppy appeal this year. Monies raised are used to support the Armed Forces, and their families, from Britain and the Commonwealth, the emergency services and those that have lost their lives as a result of conflict or terrorism.



### Birthdays

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

- Lily M
- Vinny E
- Grace B
- Freya H
- Tobiasz L
- Michael S
- Ariana W
- Aaron M



### Odd Socks Day

As part of anti-bullying week, pupils are invited to come to school next Thursday, 17th November, wearing odd socks. The meaning behind wearing odd socks is to celebrate everyone's differences and what makes us all unique. We will talk to the children about Odd Socks Day in Thursdays assembly.



### Children In Need

Don't forget, next Friday, 18th November, pupils are invited to come to school in non-uniform to raise money for Children in Need. We are not asking for a specific amount but any donation you are able to offer would be greatly appreciated.



Disco tickets are available to purchase via ParentMail.

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

N	Dottie C
R1	Kingsley D
R2	Isla P
Y1/G3	Henry R
Y1/G4	Elliott D
Y2/G1	Ellise P
Y2/G2	Archie P
Y3/F3	Grayson-I C
Y3/F4	Mia M
Y4/RBL	Bobbi M
Y4/RBR	Theo C
Y5/1	Caden H
Y5/2	Madison M
Y6/FBL	Tilly H
Y6/FBR	Isabella L

### Weekly Maths Challenge 1

A 5p coin has a thickness of 1.5mm. Charlie makes a tower of 5p coins with 90p. What is the height of the coins in cm?

### Weekly Maths Challenge 2

Mrs Hassall has some biscuits in a jar. In October, she ate  $\frac{5}{8}$  of the biscuits from the jar. There are now 12 biscuits left. How many biscuits were in the jar at the start?

### Phonics in School

Below are the phonemes (sounds) the children have been learning about this week. Please see the phonic page on our school website for videos which show the phonic actions linked to each level.

Year Group	Phonemes (Sounds)	Example words
Rec	u r	rug, rat, cup red, rip, Run
Year 1	ee oa ai oi ow	feet, seed, teeth boat, soap, coat n ail, rain, maid coin, boil, soil owl, town, now
Year 2	dge ge	bridge, fridge fringe, large,

## Parent Notices

- **Absentee Photos Rescheduled** — The photographer was unable to attend on Tuesday and will be visiting on Tuesday 15th November instead to take photos of pupils absent in October. If your child normally wears their PE kit, please send them with a shirt and tie to put on for their photograph.
- **Clubs**— Next week is the last week of clubs, this is with the exception of KS2 Choir and KS2 Dance who are rehearsing for performances.
- **Christmas Dinner Orders** —Please ensure you have responded to the form indicating whether or not your child would like a Christmas dinner this year.
- **Christmas Light Switch On**—On Saturday 19th November between 10:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. there will be various festive activities in the Longton Exchange Shopping Centre with the Christmas light switch on at 4:30 p.m.

## World Nursery Rhyme Week

From 14th-18th November, Nursery pupils will be celebrating World Nursery Rhyme Week in school. They will be doing a 'Rhyme a Day' challenge including the following 5 nursery rhymes:

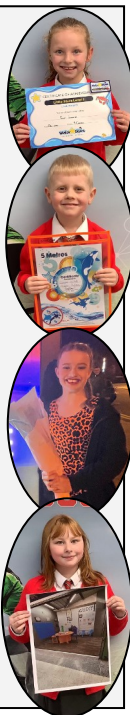
- The Big Ship Sails
- 1,2,3,4,5
- Five Little Speckled Frogs
- BINGO
- Twinkle, Twinkle



*"Experts in literacy and child development have discovered that if children know eight nursery rhymes by heart by the time they're four years old, they're usually among the best readers by the time they're eight." - Mem Fox.*

## Congratulations and Well Done

- Congratulations to **Poppy T** who has achieved her Little Stars Level 1 award at swimming. Well done Poppy!
- Well done to **Cooper W** for achieving his 5 metre badge at swimming. Fantastic Cooper!
- Congratulations to **Emelia B-S** who took part in a 'Light up the stage' after only being part of the dance company for 4 months. Absolutely brilliant—well done Emelia!
- Well done to **Georgia B** who gave up her time during October half-term break to design and create a children's area at Tunstall market. An incredibly thoughtful thing to do Georgia!



## Headteacher's Star Award

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

N	Remi S
R1	Sunny M
R2	Blake M
Y1/G3	Skylar M-W
Y1/G4	Michaela L
Y2/G1	Gracie-M D
Y2/G2	Jessica G
Y3/F3	Jack H
Y3/F4	Lila L
Y4/RBL	Leo B
Y4/RBR	Jack E
Y5/1	Harrison D
Y5/2	Zeen A
Y6/FBL	Kaytee L
Y6/FBR	Neve B

## Dates for the Diary

### Mon 14<sup>th</sup> November

Deadline for Parent Governor nominations 4:00 p.m.

### Tues 15<sup>th</sup> November

Absentee Photo Day (Rescheduled from 8th)

### Fri 18<sup>th</sup> November

Children in Need (Non-uniform)  
Y3/4 Disco 3:20 p.m. to 4:20 p.m.  
Y5/6 Disco 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

### Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Y6 trip to Imperial War Museum

### Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> November

Rec & Y6 Height and Weight  
Full Governors Meeting 6:00 p.m.

### Tues 29<sup>th</sup> November

Drama Club Visit to Regent Theatre

### Mon 5<sup>th</sup> December

Fluenz Vaccinations (for absentees)

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Assembly Dates

**School Attendance Target is 96%**  
This weeks attendance is 96.0% which is our school target.

N1	90.0%	Y3/F3	94.7%
N2	100%	Y3/F4	95.9%
N3	100%	Y4/RBL	99.7%
R1	94.3%	Y4/RBR	96.3%
R2	88.0%	Y5/F1	97.3%
Y1/G3	96.7%	Y5/F2	97.1%
Y1/G4	97.0%	Y6/FBL	95.7%
Y2/G1	96.0%	Y6/FBR	96.2%
Y2/G2	97.9%		

Everyday counts

Attend Today

Achieve Tomorrow

## Dinner Menu—Week commencing 14th November 2022

All meals are served with a dessert and drink (vegetarian options available). An alternative option of jacket potatoes and sandwiches are available.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sausage and Mash or Cheesy Bean Baguette	Beef Bolognaise Or Pizza	Fishcake, Mash and Beans	Cheese Oatcake, Mash and Veg	Fish Fingers, Chips and Beans

# Christmas Cards and Assembly Dates

## Christmas Cards

Christmas cards are now live on ParentMail. If you would like to purchase a pack of 12 cards featuring your child's design, please place your order via ParentMail no later than 25th November. Christmas cards will be sent out by 3rd December.

## Christmas Assemblies

This year, we will again be holding class Christmas-themed assemblies for our parents/carers. The doors for the Christmas assemblies will open at **9:00 a.m.** and the assemblies will start around 9:15 a.m. once pupils are registered. Each assembly will last for around 15 – 20 minutes and will take place in the school hall. Due to capacity in the hall, we are limiting the number of adults to **2 per family for each performance. There will be no exception to the number of adults allowed.**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>
Mrs Morton's class	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December
Mrs Salt's & Mrs Schifano's class	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December
Miss Hodgson's class	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December
Mrs Davenport's class	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December
Mrs Johnson's class	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December
Miss Humphries' class	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December
Miss Gregory's class	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December
Mrs Smith/Mrs Drakeford's class	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December
Mrs Frost's class	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December
Miss Jones's class	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December
Mrs Carney/Miss Gerrard's class	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November
Mr Alcock's class	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December
Mr Frost's class	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November
Mrs Hassall's class	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November
Mr Jones's class	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December
Mrs Bullock's class	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December

