



# Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter

Thoughtfulness

Respect

Hard Work

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## World Book Day 2023

At Sandford Hill we love to read. It was fabulous to see over half-term that many children continued to enjoy reading in unusual places and it has been a pleasure to hear their stories and see their photos! If you have yet to send in your photograph, we would love to receive them to add to our display.

Yesterday our school council members each read a story to their link class and we also launched our own e-book which showcases some fantastic writing from across the school. Please take a look using this link.

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March we will be welcoming the poet Ian Bland into school. He will be sharing his poems with the children and leading poetry workshops with each class.

Since September in Key Stage 2, we have five word millionaires and a further ten children who have read half a million words (see our leader board below). To celebrate World Book Day, your child will be bringing home a voucher where they can obtain a free book from a local book seller or supermarket. Please see the link below for more information <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>.



Name	Class	Words read since September
Ellie-Mae G	Year 5	2,326,233
Summer W	Year 5	1,538,635
Lucas C	Year 6	1,298,493
Sebastian H	Year 5	1,237,427
Abby-Jaye T	Year 5	1,065,754
Khadijat S	Year 6	900,565
Jenna B	Year 6	845,025
Jack E	Year 4	771,220
Daniel D	Year 6	755,422
James M	Year 6	639,732
Grace B	Year 4	578,210
Elizabeth R	Year 5	566,519
Theo C	Year 4	545,030
Harper B	Year 4	519,518
Rae B	Year 6	507,436

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

N	Scarlett C
R1	Arthur R
R2	Eliza-Mae B
Y1/G3	Archie D
Y1/G4	Hana A
Y2/G1	Austin P
Y2/G2	Benjamin B
Y3/F3	Alfie H
Y3/F4	Flynn H
Y4/RBL	Isla J
Y4/RBR	Imogen W
Y5/1	Lucy B
Y5/2	Emma B
Y6/FBL	Lucas C
Y6/FBR	Jamie O

### Weekly Maths Challenge 1

On World Book Day nursery shared a story. The book had 32 pages with a total of 640 words. There were an equal amount of words on every page. How many words were on each page?

### Weekly Maths Challenge 2

The dance show on Monday starts at 6:30 p.m. and finishes at 8:00 p.m. How long is the dance show in minutes?

### Phonics in School

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

Year Group	Phonemes (Sounds)	Example words
Nursery	This half term we are focusing on pets and listening to sounds that rhyme for example fish and dish.	
Reception	ai ee	chain, rail, tail sheep, bee, seed
Year 1	u-e e-e	cube, cute these, even
Year 2	adding 'est' and 'y' suffixes to words ending in 'e'	largest noisy

## Parent Notices

• **Open Evening** - Open evenings will take place on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023. Bookings will go live on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 6:00 p.m. via ParentMail. All appointments are being held in person and a crèche will be available in the school hall. If you experience any difficulty making an appointment, please speak to the office as soon as possible.

• **PE Kit** - Our school PE kit consists of a red polo, black hoody and black joggers/shorts. No other colours or large logos are to be worn.

### Headteacher's Star Award

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

N	Rosie-Mae C
R1	Beatrix S
R2	Ally-Rae H
Y1/G3	Rosie E
Y1/G4	Xander H
Y2/G1	Isabella K
Y2/G2	Charlotte W
Y3/F3	Aliza A
Y3/F4	Vinny E
Y4/RBL	Bobbi M
Y4/RBR	Lennon B
Y5/1	Lyla-Rai D
Y5/2	Bentley D
Y6/FBL	Sophie M-P
Y6/FBR	Jayden B

### Birthdays

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

- Chloe G
- Martha J
- Briar B
- Amber S
- Poppy T
- Thomas C-M
- Woodrow T
- Jenson W
- Ellena P
- Lilly-Rose A
- Keaton M



**School Attendance Target is 96%**  
This weeks attendance is 96.7% which is **above** our school target.

N1	96.4%	Y3/F3	97.0%
N2	94.3%	Y3/F4	94.3%
N3	98.1%	Y4/RBL	97.6%
R1	100%	Y4/RBR	95.9%
R2	98.4%	Y5/F1	99.1%
Y1/G3	95.9%	Y5/F2	95.8%
Y1/G4	95.0%	Y6/FBL	99.2%
Y2/G1	94.3%	Y6/FBR	95.0%
Y2/G2	97.4%		

Everyday counts  
Attend Today  
Achieve Tomorrow

## Dates for the Diary—Spring Term

### Monday 6th March

Dance 2023 at The Victoria Hall 6:00 p.m.

### Tuesday 7th March

Y1/G4 to Brampton Museum

### Wednesday 8th March

Y1/G3 to Brampton Museum

### Tuesday 14th March

EYFS to National Forest Adventure Farm

### Monday 20th March

Y3/4 Easter Bake Off

Open Evening 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

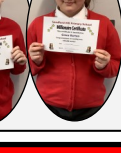
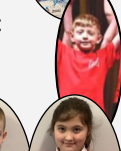
### Tuesday 21st March

Y5/6 Easter Bake Off

Y4/RBR Recorder Festival 12:30 p.m.

### Congratulations and Well Done

- Congratulations to **Ivy-Jane F** who has passed her ballet exam. Well done Ivy!
- Well done to **Spencer H** for being awarded his rainbow distance certificate in swimming. Fantastic!
- Well done to **James M** who has been awarded Junior Top Boy and the Head Coaches award at his club. Superb!
- Well done to **Bella B** who has passed her ballet exam. Well done Bella!
- Congratulations to **Quinn-Rose B** who has worked hard to achieve the Back2Back Gymnastic award 7. Amazing!
- Well done to **Eva J** who has been awarded her Stanley 4 swimming award. Amazing!
- Well done to **Ellise P** who has achieved her 5 metre swimming award. Fantastic!
- Well done to **Elliott L** who has recently performed at the Stoke Rep Theatre in the production 'Unashamed'. A fantastic achievement Elliott!
- Congratulations to the following children on for reading 500,000 words:  
**Grace B, Harper B, Jack E.**



## Dinner Menu—Week Commencing 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023

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
Pizza, Paprika Potatoes and Beans	Meat and Potato Pie or Quorn Nuggets	Chicken Korma or Cheese Oatcake	Roast Pork Dinner or Tomato and Basil Pasta	Fish, Chips and Beans/Peas

# Attendance League

In school we have introduced a class attendance competition. Each week the attendance for one class will be compared with the attendance of another class. Out of the two classes, the one with the higher attendance will be awarded 3 points for a win unless they have an identical percentage, for the week, in which case each class will be awarded 1 point.

The class competition is now in week 5 having started during week commencing 23.01.23 and below you can see the current table. Well done in particular to **Y2/G1 (Miss Gregory's class)** who have made the strongest start of all the classes having won 4 of their first 5 fixtures.

Each of the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 classes will compete against each other on 2 occasions and the final round of fixtures will take place during week commencing 14.07.23.

Class	Played	Won	Drawn	Points
Y2/G1	5	4	0	12
Y6/FBR	5	3	1	10
Y2/G2	5	3	0	9
Y4/RBR	5	3	0	9
Y5/F1	5	3	0	9
Y6/FBL	5	3	0	9
Y3/F3	5	2	0	6
Y4/RBL	5	2	0	6
Y5/F2	5	2	0	6
Y1/G4	5	1	1	4
Y1/G3	5	1	0	3
Y3/F4	5	1	0	3

## **Week 5 Results (27.02.23 – 03.03.23)**

Y1/G4 95.0% v Y6/FBR 95.0%

Y1/G3 95.9% v Y6/FBL 99.2%

Y2/G2 97.4% v Y4/RBR 95.9%

Y2/G1 94.3% v Y4/RBL 97.6%

Y3/F3 97.0% v Y5/F2 95.8%

Y3/F4 94.3% v Y5/F1 99.1%

## **Week 6 fixtures (06.03.23 – 10.03.23)**

Y1/G4 v Y3/F4

Y2/G2 v Y5/F1

Y1/G4 v Y3/F3

Y2/G1 v Y5/F2

Y4/RBL v Y6/RBL

Y6/FBR v Y4/FBR

**Early Years (N1, N2, N3, R1 and R2)** will have their own competition. Each week the class with highest attendance will be awarded 5 points, the class with the next highest will be awarded 4 points and so on. This will provide a further opportunity for teachers and practitioners to discuss the numbers 1 – 5.