



# Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter



Issue 5 – Friday 6th October 2023

## Harvest Festival

This week, we have celebrated Harvest in school. On Thursday, our KS2 pupils visited St Mary and St Chad’s Church for their Harvest assembly led by Mrs Hassall’s class. The children behaved impeccably and were excellent ambassadors of Sandford Hill. We would like to express our sincere thanks Father Simon for welcoming us to the church.

At the beginning of the week, we were struggling to make even 4 Harvest parcels for the local community however that quickly turned around and we received enough food donations to make over 70 boxes! Thank you to everyone who was able to bring in a donation for our Harvest festival. We are extremely overwhelmed by your generosity. A special thank you to Beryl, Sue and Heather for coming into school to help make the parcels.

This morning, our KS1 pupils came together in the hall for a Harvest assembly led by Miss Gregory’s class. We are extremely proud of all of the children for their fantastic assembly today.

We would like to say thank you to the parents from Mrs Hassall’s class and Miss Gregory’s class for coming along to watch our Harvest assemblies. We appreciate your support.



## Tempest Photography

A reminder that the school photographer will be visiting school on Wednesday 18th October to take individual and family photographs. Due to limitations on time, we are only able to take photographs of siblings in school.

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their normal school uniform (no PE kit).



## Open Evening

Appointments are now live for open evening on Monday 23rd and Wednesday 25th October. If you are experiencing any 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.

## Flu Vaccination Clinics

If your child has not received their flu vaccination either in school or from their GP Surgery you can now book your child into one of the Community flu vaccination clinics. The clinics and dates are listed below:

Saturday 7th October	Cannock Fire Station	9am-3pm
Saturday 7th October	Leek Moorlands Hosp	9am-3pm
Weds 11th October	Meir Matters, Meir	3pm-6pm
Saturday 21st October	Burton Fire Station	9am-3pm
Saturday 21st October	Sandyford Fire Station	9am-3pm

## Weekly Menu

All meals are served with a dessert and drink (vegetarian options available). We will always endeavour to offer all pupils one of the main meals below but if they do not like it or an item on the menu runs out, an alternative option of jacket potatoes and sandwiches are available.

Monday Oatcakes or Chicken Korma

Tuesday French Bread Pizza or Cowboy Pie

Wednesday Beef Burgers

Thursday Chicken Dinner or Cheese Whirls

Friday Fish Cakes or Quorn Korma

## Phonics in School

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

Year Group	Phonemes (Sounds)	Example words
Nursery	Nursery have learnt the Nursery rhyme 'Incy Wincy Spider'	
Reception	ck e u r	sock, neck, rug, ten
Year 1	Polysyllabic words	sandpit, lunchbox, windmill
Year 2	Words with the prefix 'un'	unhealthy, unkind, unsafe

# Diary Dates

## **Wednesday 11th October**

Interim Governors Meeting 5:00 p.m.

## **Thursday 12th October**

Y6 Class Assembly (All Y6 parents) 9:00 a.m.

## **Tuesday 17th October**

Prospective Nursery Parents Drop In 3:30 p.m. -5:00 p.m.

## **Wednesday 18th October**

Individual and Family Photos

## **Thursday 19th October**

Y6 Heights and Weights

## **Monday 23rd and Wednesday 25th October**

Open Evening

## **Wednesday 25th October**

Mrs Carney/Miss Gerrard's class trip to the River Dane

## **Thursday 26th October**

Mr Alcock's class trip to the River Dane

## **Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November**

Half Term

## **\*DATE CHANGE\* Tuesday 7th November**

Special Menu—Bonfire Bonanza!

## **Friday 17th November 2023**

Children in Need—Special Menu & Non-Uniform

## **Wednesday 29th November**

Full Governors Meeting 6:00 p.m.

## **\*NEW\* Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December**

EYFS Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m.

## **\*NEW\* Thursday 7th December**

Y1 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)

## **\*NEW\* Tuesday 12th December**

Y2 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)

## **\*NEW\* Wednesday 13th December**

Y4 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)

## **\*NEW\* Thursday 14th December**

Y3 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)

## **\*NEW\* Friday 15th December**

EYFS & KS1 Christmas Dinner Day

## **Friday 15th December**

Sandford Hill Christmas Market 3:30—5:30 p.m.

## **\*NEW\* Monday 18th December**

KS2 Christmas Dinner Day

## **\*NEW\* Tuesday 19th December**

Y5 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)

## **\*NEW\* Wednesday 20th December**

Y6 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)

## **Friday 22nd December**

Staff Inset Day—No pupils

## **Monday 8th January**

Start of Spring Term

## **Thursday 18th January**

Mrs Pritchard's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.

## **Thursday 25th January**

Mrs Smith's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.

## **Thursday 1st February**

Mr Alcock's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.

## **Monday 12th to Friday 16th February**

Half Term

## **\*NEW\* Thursday 29th February**

Mrs Carney/Miss Gerrard's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.

## **\*NEW\* Thursday 21st March**

Mr Frost's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.

## **Monday 25th March—Friday 5th April**

Easter Holidays

## **Monday 8th April**

Start of Summer Term

## **Thursday 2nd May**

Voting Day—School closed to children

## **Friday 3rd May**

Staff Training Day—School closed to children

## **Monday 27th to Friday 31st May**

Half Term

## **Friday 19th July**

Last Day of Summer Term for pupils

## **Monday 22nd July**

Staff Training Day



# Weekly Attendance and Awards



## Attendance League

### Nursery

Class	Attendance	Points This Week	Running Total
F1/1	86.9%	3	12
F1/2	81.3%	1	6
F1/3	86.2%	2	9

### Reception—Year 6

Class	Attendance	Points This Week	Running Total
F2/1	97.6%	13	23
F2/2	97.4%	10	23
Y1/G3	97.6%	12	44
Y1/G4	97.5%	11	33
Y2/G1	97.3%	9	41
Y2/G2	96.0%	8	31
Y3/F3	97.7%	14	37
Y3/F4	91.3%	2	19
Y4/RBL	94.7%	4	36
Y4/RBR	94.7%	4	18
Y5/F1	92.3%	3	12
Y5/F2	95.9%	7	22
Y6/FBL	94.7%	4	40
Y6/FBR	90.3%	1	38

## Congratulations and Well Done!

- Congratulations to **Lottie S** who has been awarded Back2Back Gymnastics Award 5.
- Well done to **Jack H** who has been awarded the Manager's Player of the Match last Sunday.
- Well done to **Emma B, Deni R, Tansey M, Martha J, Poppy T, Harrison D, Coby D, Reggie L, Stanley R** and **Theo C** who competed in the cross country race on Monday night at Eaton Park. All runners put in 100% effort and they didn't give up. Emma B deserves a particular 'well done' on finishing 4th in her race, becoming our highest placed runner so far this year. Well done everyone!



## Birthdays

Wishing all these children a very **Happy Birthday** for next week, we hope that you all have a lovely day:

- **Lacie-Mai H**
- **Caleb T**
- **Izzabella P**
- **William B**
- **Gracjan P**
- **Shea T**



Class	Thoughtfulness Award	Star	Reading Champion	Maths Champion	Curriculum Champion
N	Khalessi-Mae C	Kara Mae L	Leia W	Jayden G	Keira A
F2/1	Elena-Grace M	Scarlett C	Jaxson F	Ollie S	Amelia-Rose S
F2/2	Rosie-Mae C	Nancy C	Nova G	James J	Thomas B
Y1/G3	Kingsley D	Jaxson R	Antoni K	Delilah M-J	Skyla-Grace T
Y1/G4	Amelia T	Blake M	Matei D	Harper G	Isla P
Y2/G1	Leah H	Maisie S	Kruthik V	Bonnie M-P	Charlie H
Y2/G2	Pyper J	Briar B	Jack S-G	Elliot D	Lyla F
Y3/F3	Casey M	Noah D	Stanley W-L	Adrian D-K	Layla C
Y3/F4	Gracie-Mae D	Ivy-Jane F	Spencer H	Henry F	Faith A
Y4/RBL	Winnie M	Woody E	Kaiden A	Elliott H-T	Amelia G
Y4/RBR	Millie H	Layla M	Henry R	Nina B	Mollie M
Y5/F1	Katie B	Jack E	Theo C	Bradley B	Parker F
Y5/F2	Genevieve G	Seraphina S	Caleb T	Kaiden F	George C
Y6/FBL	Mollie B	Briley S	Liam C	Maab H	Leah B
Y6/FBR	Troy R	Elizabeth R	Lilly M-N	Sebastian H	Poppy T