Sandford Hill Primary School Newsletter



Issue 6– Friday 13th October 2023

Ofsted Inspection

This week, our school has been visited by 3 inspectors from Ofsted who attended to complete a full section 5 inspection, our first inspection since 2008. Whilst it will be a while until the results of the inspection are published, in the meantime, we want to pass on our sincere thanks.

We want to say a huge thank you to our fantastic pupils who, as always, have been excellent ambassadors of Sandford Hill. It was clearly evident through speaking to children that our ethos, 'Thoughtfulness, Respect and Hard Work' is at the heart of everything that we do.

We would also like to say thank you to you, our amazing parents and carers. Your consistent support for the school, staff and of course pupils is as always appreciated.

Last, but by no means least, we want to pass on our thanks to our incredible staff. Every single member of staff does their best day in, day out for every pupil in school. Without their kindness, hard work and dedication, our school would not be the fantastic place that it is today.

Together, we strive to do our best to ensure that Sandford Hill is the best that it can be. We are extremely proud of Sandford Hill and one thing we pride ourselves on is the relationships we have with each other. From staff member, to pupil to parent and friend, our Sandford Hill Family is most certainly one to be proud of.



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 been learning the rhyme: '1,2,3,4,5, once I caught a fish alive.'		
Reception	f r b h	fog rug bed hut	
Year 1	words with three adjacent consonants	spring, splash, drink	
Year 2	y (igh sound)	by, dry, fly	

Individual Photographs

A reminder that next Wednesday, the school photographer will be visiting school to take individual and family photographs of siblings in school. Due to time constraints, we are unable to take family photos of siblings outside of school. All pupils must wear their **normal school uniform** (no PE kit). Photo proofs will be sent home on Thursday.

Open Evening

Appointments are 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 when all pupils have been dismissed. We ask that parents wait patiently on the drive. If for any reason you cannot attend, please inform the office via as soon as possible so that we can inform class teachers. Thank you.

Girls Football

This week, our girls football team took part in their first competition of the year. Their effort,



determination and team spirit was commendable. We are incredibly proud of them all. A huge well done goes to Emma B, Zeen A, Maab H, Grace B, Zara W, Olivia W and Thea C.

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	Pízza	
Tuesday	Oatcakes	
Wednesday	Chicken Nuggets	
Thursday	Hotdogs	
Fríday	Físh cakes/Chícken wrap	

Tuesday 17th October	Friday 22nd December
Prospective Nursery Parents Drop In 3:30 p.m5:00 p.m.	Staff Inset Day—No pupils
Wednesday 18th October	Monday 8th January
Individual and Family Photos	Start of Spring Term
Thursday 19th October	Thursday 18th January
Y6 Heights and Weights	Mrs Pritchard's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.
Monday 23rd and Wednesday 25th October	Thursday 25th January
Open Evening	Mrs Smith's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 25th October	Thursday 1st February
Mrs Carney/Miss Gerrard's class trip to the River Dane	Mr Alcock's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.
Thursday 26th October	Monday 12th to Friday 16th February
Mr Alcock's class trip to the River Dane	Half Term
Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November	Thursday 29th February
Half Term	Mrs Carney/Miss Gerrard's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m
Tuesday 7th November	Thursday 21st March
Special Menu—Bonfire Bonanza!	Mr Frost's Class Assembly—9:00 a.m.
Friday 17th November 2023	Monday 25th March—Friday 5th April
Children in Need—Special Menu & Non-Uniform	Easter Holidays
Wednesday 29th November	Monday 8th April
Full Governors Meeting 6:00 p.m.	Start of Summer Term
Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December	Thursday 2nd May
EYFS Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)	Voting Day—School closed to children
Thursday 7th December	Friday 3rd May
Y1 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)	Staff Training Day—School closed to children
Tuesday 12th December	Monday 27th to Friday 31st May
Y2 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)	Half Term
Wednesday 13th December	Friday 19th July
Y4 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)	Last Day of Summer Term for pupils
Thursday 14th December	Monday 22nd July
Y3 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)	Staff Training Day
Friday 15th December	
EYFS & KS1 Christmas Dinner Day	
Friday 15th December	
Sandford Hill Christmas Market 3:30—5:30 p.m.	
Monday 18th December	
KS2 Christmas Dinner Day	
Tuesday 19th December	
Y5 Christmas Assembly—9:00 a.m. (Parents invited)	
Wednesday 20th December	
V6 Christmas Assembly—0:00 a.m. (Parents invited)	

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



weekly Attendance and Awards



Attendance League

Nursery				
<u>Class</u>	Attendance	Points This Week	<u>Running Total</u>	
F1/1	84.6%	2	14	
F1/2	84.6%	2	8	
F1/3	90.8%	3	12	
Reception	—Year 6			
<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	Points This Week	<u>Running Total</u>	
F2/1	93.8%	4	27	
F2/2	88.4%	1	24	
Y1/G3	96.6%	5	49	
Y1/G4	98.6%	12	45	
Y2/G1	99.3%	14	55	
Y2/G2	99.0%	13	44	
Y3/F3	98.0%	11	48	
Y3/F4	96.7%	6	25	
Y4/RBL	98.0%	11	47	
Y4/RBR	93.4%	3	21	
Y5/F1	97.3%	8	20	
Y5/F2	97.7%	9	31	
Y6/FBL	93.0%	2	42	
Y6/FBR	97.0%	7	45	

Congratulations and Well Done!

- Well done to Martha J who has been awarded 'Manager's player of the year' trophy. Fantastic Martha! •Congratulations to Florence B who has been successful at a number of shows recently with her dog.
- •Well done to Austin P who has achieved his Learn To Swim award.
- Congratulations to Christopher P who has achieved his Green belt in kickboxing. Well done Christopher!
- •Well done to Thomas H for his hard work at the Longton RUFC Under 9 team.
- •Congratulations Alex R and Jenson B who have achieved their red belts at Kickboxing. Well done!

Birthdays

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

- Nevaeh R
- Grayson-Isaac • Logan O'R

Madison M

Isaac P

Thomas B Mason H

• Thea C

- Amelia G George H
- Lowry B
- Haiza N
- Isabella K

Class Thoughtfulness Star			Dealing		
Class	Thoughtfulness Award	Star Award	Reading Champion	Maths Champion	Curriculum Champion
N	Isla B	Ayden K-W	Skylar M	Darcie-Leigh H	Jasper D
F2/1	Luca L	Carter J	Freya M	Dottie C	Lacey H
F2/2	Devansh M	Sapphire F	Ezra M	Freddie B-W	Eva-Lilly C
Y1/G3	Clara W	Bella H-T	Skyla-Grace T	Vinnie B	Izzabella P
Y1/G4	Macie W	Clayton L	Ariana W	Ally-Rae H	Thomas C-M
Y2/G1	Jacob C	Grace M	Archie D	Alicja P	Quinn-Rose B
Y2/G2	Xander H	Toni K	Archie H	Emily-Rose F	Lillia-Grace B
Y3/F3	William L	Mason N	Ethan B-S	Cassandra E	Theo Thirlwall
Y3/F4	Josiah D	Isabella K	Sally S	Roxanna W	Ivy-Jane F
Y4/RBL	Lila L	Ralphie S	Aaron M	Mya G	Mia G
Y4/RBR	Lexi L	Leo P	Grayson-Isaac C	leuan P	Jensen F
Y5/F1	Harper B	Eva R	Daniel C	Mollie-Mae E	Lily-Grace S
Y5/F2	Bobbi M	Isla J	Seraphina S	Sam T	Zara W
Y6/FBL	Ava H-N	Chloe T-W	Coby D	Kian D	Harrison D
Y6/FBR	Frankie M	Thomas E	Chloe S	Caleb B	Madison M