



Sandford Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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'You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book' - Dr Seuss

In our assemblies this week, we spoke to the children about new beginnings and the KS2 children were joined by Father Simon.

We also spoke to the children about reading and the importance of reading as much as possible at home. This could be a book from school or a book from home of their choice, as we promote reading for pleasure within school.

If your child has any books at home that they no longer use, we would be extremely grateful for any donations for our class libraries. Thank you.

Welcome!

This week, we have welcomed our Nursery children into school for the first time as part of their transition programme. The children have attended for morning and afternoon sessions and have had a fantastic week. The nursery practitioners are extremely proud at how well the children have settled into school life so quickly. They have been painting, drawing, playing, singing, dancing, playing in the sand, water, dough and much more. Videos of their first week can be found on our Facebook and Twitter pages. We look forward to them coming to school next week for their first school dinner!

Birthdays

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

- Ollie E
- Lexi L
- Kellae C-M
- Cooper W
- Elijah F
- Logan P
- Nellie W



PE Days & Jewellery

Pupils will need to wear their PE kit on the following days:

Reception— Monday

Year 1— Wednesday and Friday

Year 2—Monday and Friday

Year 3—Monday and Thursday

Year 4—Tuesday and Friday

Year 5—Thursday and Friday

Year 6 (FBL)—Monday and Tuesday

Year 6 (FBR)—Monday and Wednesday

All jewellery must be removed for PE. If pupils have had their ear(s) pierced over the summer holidays and are currently unable to take their earrings out, we will allow them to wear plasters for the next **3 weeks only**. After 27th September, all earrings must be removed otherwise your child will not be able to take part in PE lessons.

Your child must remove all jewellery for swimming. Fenton Manor have their own regulations and do not allow any jewellery for swimming. There are no exceptions. Swimming for Year 4 and Year 5 will begin on Friday 27th September. More information to follow.

Notices

- **PE Kit**—All PE kit has now arrived and orders have been sent home. ALL pupils should wear their school PE kit (black joggers/shorts, red polo, black hoody). No large logos/stripes (logos should be no bigger than 50p in size and no other colours should be worn. You will be contacted if your child continues to wear the incorrect PE kit. Thank you.
- **Clubs**—Club letters have now been sent home with your child's allocated clubs. Please check the letter to see when your child is expected to attend. Due to a clash in timetables, Choir has been moved to a Wednesday morning. A new ParentMail form will be sent to KS2 pupils for Young Voices Choir and Dance 25.
- **Data Collection**—We will be sending out data collection forms for parents to update contact details, medical information and dietary information for pupils. For GDPR purposes, this will be sent via Microsoft Forms. A link will be sent to you via ParentMail over the next few weeks as we will be sending the data collection forms in stages.
- **Fluenz**—The school immunisation team will be back in school on Wednesday 25th September to deliver the fluenz nasal immunisations to Reception - Year 6 pupils. Parents must consent to this immunisation.
- **Keep off the grass**—For health and safety purposes, pupils should **NOT** be running up and down the grass verges near the office at the beginning and end of the day. Pupils should remain with parents/carers at all times.



Weekly Attendance and Awards

Congratulations and Well done

Congratulations to **Jaxon M** who has achieved his Stanley 1 swimming award. Well done Jaxon!



Well done to **Izabella, Simi and Khaleesi** who were awarded a certificate for the SCDC dance show!



Congratulations to **Elliott L** who has achieved a piano and saxophone certificate! Fantastic Elliott!



Congratulations to **Jack H** who brought in his winners medal to share with us from football. Well done!



Congratulations to **Lennon J, Vinnie B, Arthur R, George C and Tommy C** who won a medal at their football tournaments recently. Well done to you all!



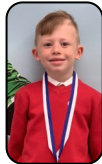
Well done to **Ivy-Jane F** who was awarded a medal for her dancing when on holiday in Spain! Amazing!



Well done to **Oakley W** who has achieved his Stanley 3 swimming award. Congratulations Oakley!



Congratulations to **Ollie S** who achieved a medal at his fantastic football skills. Well done Ollie!



Well done to **Alex and Jensen** who have achieved their purple belts!



Attendance League

Class	Attendance	Points This Week	Running Total
F1/1	100%	9	9
F1/2	96.8%	5	5
F1/3	97.0%	6	6
F2/1	98.9%	8	8
F2/2	88.6%	1	1
Y1/G3	90.7%	2	2
Y1/G4	97.9%	7	7
Y2/G1	94.8%	4	4
Y2/G2	93.2%	3	3
Y3/F3	99.3%	7	7
Y3/F4	100%	8	8
Y4/RBL	99.3%	7	7
Y4/RBR	98.7%	5	5
Y5/F1	88.7%	1	1
Y5/F2	96.8%	4	4
Y6/FBL	96.3%	3	3
Y6/FBR	93.6%	2	2

Our school attendance target is 96.0%. The winner of the attendance league in EYFS/KS1 and KS2 will be rewarded at the end of each half term.

All meals are served with a dessert and drink.

Menu

Jacket Potatoes and Filled Sandwiches available daily.

Day	Lunch Options
Monday	Cheesy Oatcakes
Tuesday	French Baguette Pizza
Wednesday	Beef Burgers
Thursday	Roast Chicken Dinner
Friday	Crispy Battered Fish

We will endeavour to offer all pupils their first choice but if they do not like the options or an item runs out, jacket potatoes and sandwiches will be offered as an alternative.

Diary Dates

Monday 16th September

Y4/RBL trip to River Dane

Tuesday 17th September

Y4/RBR trip to River Dane

Thursday 19th September

Parent Transition Morning 9:10 a.m.—10:00 a.m.

Wednesday 25th September

Fluenz Vaccinations for Reception—Y6

Friday 27th September

Macmillan Coffee Morning 9:00 a.m.

Swimming starts for Y4 and Y5

Thursday 3rd October

Mr Alcock's class assembly 9:00 a.m.

***TBC* Wednesday 9th October**

Mrs Frost's class assembly 10:00 a.m. (at St Mary and Chad's Church)

Thursday 10th October

Mrs Smith's class assembly 9:00 a.m.

Thursday 17th October

Miss Gregory's class assembly 9:00 a.m.

Monday 21st and Wednesday 23rd October

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

Monday 28th—Friday 1st November

October Half Term

Monday 11th—Friday 15th November

Y6 Residential to Stanley Head

Thursday 28th November

Y6 assembly 9:00 a.m.

Friday 20th December

Staff Inset Day

Monday 23rd December—Friday 3rd January

Christmas Holiday

Thursday 23rd January

Mrs Hassall's class assembly 9:00 a.m.

Thursday 30th January

Mr Frost's class assembly 9:00 a.m.

Thursday 6th February

Mrs Carney/Miss Gerrard's class assembly 9:00 a.m.

Thursday 13th February

Mr Farr's class assembly 9:00 a.m.

Monday 17th —Friday 21st February

February Half Term

Friday 28th February

Choir to attend Young Voices Concert

Thursday 13th March

Miss Humphries' class assembly 9:00 a.m.

Thursday 20th March

Mrs Johnson's class assembly 9:00 a.m.

Monday 31st March and Wednesday 2nd April

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

Friday 11th April

Staff Inset Day

Monday 14th—Friday 25th April

Easter Holiday

Monday 5th May

May Day Bank Holiday—School closed to pupils

Monday 12th—Thursday 15th May

Y6 SATs week