



Sandford Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Reminder
Gates open at
8:45 a.m.

National Parliament Week

It has been National Parliament this week and so today we were delighted to welcome local MP Gareth Snell, Baroness Ruth Anderson and local Councillor Joan Bell in to school.

Following a tour of the school and classrooms, the three visitors were then interviewed by our School Councillors. Our visitors were all very impressed by our children and we look forward to inviting them all back to Sandford Hill in the not too distant future.



Birthdays

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

- Harper G
- Edward H
- Hassan A
- Kylan M
- Emrae A
- Elena-Grace
- Robert B
- Hollie H
- M
- Lillie-Jo R
- Vinnie B
- Keira A
- Elsie S



Book Corner!

Roman's interview with Miss Stanway



"I loved the book, Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian. I liked the history but loved that the book brought the community together in the story. I read it in Year 5 and really enjoyed it but I love any history book."

Delightful Donations

A huge thank you to everyone who has donated to Children in Need! We have raised an incredible £805.03 from our non-uniform day today and discos. Thank you also to those who have donated bottles and chocolates for our Christmas markets.



Book Swap

A reminder that next week will be our whole school book swap! Pupils are welcome to bring in a book from home to swap for one that they haven't read. Books can still be brought in on Monday and children will be taken to the book swap throughout the week. Don't worry—even if your child doesn't have a book, they will still be able to visit the library and bring a book home!



Our Weekly Phonics

Year	Phonemes (Sounds)	Example words
N	Learning the nursery rhyme 'Jack and Jill' and are learning to copy a simple rhythm using actions and instruments	
R	c and k	kick, cat, kit, cap, kiss
Y1	ea	leaf, bead, each
Y2	'le' saying 'l'	cuddle, apple, table, bubble

Notices

- **Clubs**— Clubs have now ended. Club forms for the Spring Term will be sent out soon. Thank you for attending your clubs this term!
- **Snow** —In the event of bad weather at school, a decision will be made by 7:30a.m. on whether or not school will remain open. Please check your ParentMail and social media channels on severe weather days.
- **Tempest Photography**—The photographer will be returning to school on Thursday 28th November to take photos of those absent during their visit in October. All tempest orders have been sent home this week. If you have any issues, please contact the office.

Diary Dates

Thursday 28th November

Y6 assembly 9:00 a.m.

Absentee Photo Day

Friday 13th December

EYFS & KS1 Christmas Dinner Day

Sandford Hill Christmas Markets 3:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Monday 16th December

KS2 Christmas Dinner Day

Tuesday 17th December

EYFS & KS1 Christmas Party

Wednesday 18th December

KS2 Christmas Party

Friday 20th December

Staff Inset Day

Monday 23rd December—Friday 3rd January

Christmas Holiday

Monday 6th January

Pupils return to school

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

Monday 26th—Friday 30th May

May Half Term

Friday 18th July

Last day of term for pupils

Monday 21st July

Staff Inset Day

All meals are served
with a dessert and drink.

Menu

Jacket Potatoes and Filled
Sandwiches available daily.

Day	Nursery	Reception—Year 6
Monday	Cheesy Oatcakes	Cheesy Oatcakes or Chicken Korma
Tuesday	Margherita Pizza	Margherita Pizza
Wednesday	Beef/Veggie Burgers	Beef/Veggie Burgers
Thursday	Roast Chicken Dinner	Roast Chicken Dinner or Cheese Whirls
Friday	Battered Fish	Battered Fish or Quorn Korma

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.



Weekly Attendance and Awards



Congratulations and Well done

Congratulations to **Mollie M** who was awarded a medal at a gymnastics competition over the weekend.



Well done to **Scarlett C** who has been awarded a dancing certificate from her show. Amazing Scarlett!



Attendance League

Class	Attendance	Points This Week	Running Total
F1/1	90.4%	3	6
F1/2	95.2%	7	10
F1/3	90.0%	2	12
F2/1	96.5%	8	18
F2/2	93.5%	5	18
Y1/G3	89.0%	1	10
Y1/G4	97.6%	9	21
Y2/G1	94.1%	6	18
Y2/G2	93.2%	4	14

Class	Attendance	Points This Week	Running Total
Y3/F3	96.7%	7	19
Y3/F4	94.8%	5	13
Y4/RBL	95.3%	3	16
Y4/RBR	92.7%	3	15
Y5/F1	93.3%	4	16
Y5/F2	97.9%	8	13
Y6/FBL	91.0%	1	8
Y6/FBR	91.3%	2	4

Our school attendance target is 96.0% and our school attendance is currently 95.7%.

Class	Thoughtfulness Award	Star Award (Postcard)	Reading Champion	Maths Champion	Curriculum Champion
N	Rennie J	Sienna-Rae P	Polly M	Maddie M	Tyler L
F2/1	Oakley W	E R	Mariam S	Alicja L	Jasper D
F2/2	Margo S-J	Leighton C	Joshua M	Jayden G	Ayden K-W
Y1/G3	Arabella S-J	Devansh M	Ava E	Arthur H	Pippa L
Y1/G4	Harrison B	Matei B-A	Mya P	Remi S	Freya M
Y2/G1	Isla P	Ally-Rae H	Neave K	Harper G	Elsie S
Y2/G2	Jaxson R	Sunny M	Storm H-M	Bella H-T	Clara W
Y3/F3	Jayson E	Edie C	Cadi R	Ava R	Harrison F
Y3/F4	Joseph C	Kyiah I	Jensen B	Charlie H	Eeligh R
Y4/RBL	Casey M	Maddison C	Alice G	Mason N	Myla H
Y4/RBR	Gabriela P	Noah M	Jessica R	Mason S	Reggie J
Y5/F1	Amber S	Harvey P	Jack H	Niamh J	Jensen F
Y5/F2	Alisha S	Winnie M	Ralphie S	Ingrid S	Woody E
Y6/FBL	Lacey-Mae C	Rowan Jay J	Tansey M	Jack E	Ayda T
Y6/FBR	Olivia W	Anna T	San A	Leo B	Jacob M



Oh when the snowman brings the snow...



Christmas Cards

If you would like to purchase Christmas cards, the item will still be available in your ParentMail account.

(Payments -> Shop)

Each pack will contain 12 cards and 12 red self-seal envelopes and will cost £4.50 per pack. Discounts will apply for multiple orders of the same design.

Cards will be sent home no later than Friday 6th December 2024.

Christmas Assembly Dates

The doors for the Christmas assemblies will open at **9:00am** and the assemblies will start around **9:15am** once pupils are registered. We are limiting the number of adults to **2 per family** for each performance. This year the assemblies will include the whole year group and therefore **there will be no exception to the number of adults allowed** due to fire regulations and capacity in the school hall. For pupils who have families in more than 1 household, priority will be given to parents who have parental responsibility. You will **NOT** receive a ticket for your entry this year however we will have a list on hand on the days of the assemblies.

Tuesday 3rd December

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

Wednesday 4th December

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

Thursday 5th December

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

Tuesday 10th December

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

Wednesday 11th December

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

Thursday 12th December

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

Tuesday 17th December

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

Wednesday 18th December

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



Christmas Dinners

Our Christmas dinner days will take place on Friday 13th December for EYFS & KS1 and on Monday 16th December for KS2. You should have received a form via ParentMail to indicate whether or not your child requires a school Christmas dinner this year.

Our school Christmas dinner includes, turkey, sausage, stuffing, mashed potato, roast potatoes, a selection of vegetables, gravy and a Christmas ice cream and biscuit.

Christmas Chat 'n' Wrap

A huge thank you to Diane, Sue, Beryl, Dawn and Michelle who came to help at our first Chat 'n' Wrap on Wednesday. It's that time of year again where we need your help! We will be having our Christmas Chat 'n' Wrap sessions again in school to help prepare for all of the Christmas events we have taking place. Tea, coffee and biscuits are of course mandatory and will be provided by school. Please let Miss Arnott know if you are able to help out. Chat 'n' Wrap sessions will take place each **Wednesday until 11th December.**