



Sandford Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Reminder
Gates open at
8:45 a.m.

Book Swap

Our book swap has been a huge success this week. The children have brought in book donations and then every child has taken a book home. We are extremely grateful for the generous book donations for our book swap and library. Thank you.



Sports for All!

This week, some pupils in KS2 went to Northwood and Fenton Manor to take part in sporting activities.

The children took part in a range of activities including cricket, basketball and badminton, archery and curling. Well done to everyone who represented our school. Your behaviour was impeccable and we are very proud of you all!



Alice Charity

We are collecting again this year for Alice Charity. Please send all new items into the school office by Wednesday 11th December. A poster is attached to this newsletter with more information.

Birthdays

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

- Mollie-Mae E
- Leah H
- Blayke D
- Evie W
- Sinmiloluwa K
- Kaiden F



Our Weekly Phonics

Year	Phonemes (Sounds)	Example words
N	Learning the rhyme 'The Wheels on the Bus' and are learning to listen to the first sound in words.	
R	ck, e, u, r	kick, red, rug, duck
Y1	split diagram a_e	game, snake, late
Y2	Consolidating previous spelling strategies	

Book Corner!

Michelle's interview with Mrs Aston

Mrs Aston's favourite book as a child was *Animal Farm* by George Orwell. She liked how the characters seemed human and read it in high school.



Warm Welcome!

A warm welcome to Miss Smithson who has joined us this week as our new Family Support Assistant. Miss Smithson has a long association with our school and is a former pupil and current parent. She will be working closely with Mrs Allen and is here to support our families who may need assistance with food, parenting, financial support and much more. You will see her on the door each morning so please do say hello.



Diary Dates

Friday 13th December

EYFS & KS1 Christmas Dinner Day

Christmassy non-uniform for Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2

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

Monday 16th December

KS2 Christmas Dinner Day

Christmassy non-uniform for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Tuesday 17th December

EYFS & KS1 Christmas Party

Christmassy non-uniform for Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2

Wednesday 18th December

KS2 Christmas Party

Christmassy non-uniform for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Friday 20th December

Staff Inset Day—School closed to pupils

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	Pizza	Pizza or Spaghetti and Meatballs
Tuesday	Cheesy Oatcakes	Cheesy Oatcakes
Wednesday	Chicken Nuggets	Chicken Nuggets
Thursday	Hotdogs	Hotdogs
Friday	Fish stars	Fish stars or BBQ Chicken wrap

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

Well done to **Amelia T** who has achieved Level 1,2,3,4 awards at gymnastics.



Congratulations to **Mya G** who has been awarded a trophy for her trooper dancing.



Well done to **Sienna C** who has achieved her Starfish award at swimming.



Congratulations to **Darcie-Leigh H** who has achieved her Stanley 4 swimming award.



Attendance League

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Points This Week</u>	<u>Running Total</u>
F1/1	92.0	4	10
F1/2	83.1	1	11
F1/3	93.1	5	17
F2/1	94.2	7	25
F2/2	94.2	7	25
Y1/G3	88.6	2	12
Y1/G4	96.6	8	29
Y2/G1	91.7	3	21
Y2/G2	97.5	9	23

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Points This Week</u>	<u>Running Total</u>
Y3/F3	98.0	6	25
Y3/F4	96.8	4	17
Y4/RBL	98.3	7	23
Y4/RBR	96.3	3	18
Y5/F1	96.3	3	19
Y5/F2	97.6	5	18
Y6/FBL	98.7	8	16
Y6/FBR	93.9	1	5

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

<u>Class</u>	<u>Thoughtfulness Award</u>	<u>Star Award (Postcard)</u>	<u>Reading Champion</u>	<u>Maths Champion</u>	<u>Curriculum Champion</u>
N	Kenny P	Savannah S-J	Gloria M	Kai-Hudson C	Anare T
F2/1	Lennie O	Isla B	Snow H	Gracieleigh D	Liam-Junior B-J
F2/2	Finley H	Poppy-Rose B	Amelia K	Amelia- Rose C	Deondrei P
Y1/G3	Rosie-Mae C	Mylo B	Nancy C	Ava-Mae B-J	Isatou J
Y1/G4	Jaxson F	Scarlett C	Lacey H	Logan O	Dontae P-M
Y2/G1	Stephen S	Noor A	Hassan A	Tobiasz L	Mya W
Y2/G2	Logan P	Adam R	Henry D	Rayaan A	Beatrix S
Y3/F3	Haiza N	Joshua T	Ayo K	Kellae C-M	Harry R
Y3/F4	Henry R	Charlie H	Lola W	Archie D	Luna H
Y4/RBL	Theodore T	Noah D	Panyin B	Samuel C	Charlotte W
Y4/RBR	Henry F	Travis M	Harrison	Charlie A	Malachi M
Y5/F1	Mollie M	Thea C	Oliver B	Aliza A	Millie H
Y5/F2	Gracie-Lee P	Miller C	Poppy T	Suleiman J	Ava-Grace A
Y6/FBL	Lennon B	Khloe A	Roman A	Grace B	Sienna D
Y6/FBR	Lowry B	Genevieve G	Ollie W	Maisie C	George C



Oh when the snowman brings the snow...



Christmas Cards

The deadline for Christmas Card orders has now passed. All orders for Christmas Cards will be sent home on Monday.

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 Chat 'n' Wrap

Our Christmas Chat 'n' Wrap sessions are now well underway, please let Miss Arnott know if you are able to help out. Chat 'n' Wrap sessions will take place each **Wednesday until 11th December**.



Christmas Markets

On Friday 13th December, we will be hosting our second Sandford Hill Christmas Market. Below are some things you may need to know:

- The markets will open at 3:30 p.m. once all children have been safely dismissed;
- The markets will be both inside and outside (so wrap up warm!);
- There will be food and drinks available on the evening;
- All children should be accompanied by an adult;
- Timed appointments to visit Santa are limited and must be purchased in advance via ParentMail (timed appointment apply);
- The Salvation Army will be leading our Carol Singing starting at 5:15 p.m. and there will be music from our brass band;
- Our raffle will be drawn once the carol singing is over at around 6:00 p.m.;
- The markets will end at 6:00p.m. prompt.



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CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL

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**Games, Baby
Tots, Action
figures, Dolls**

**Teenagers
Gift bags,
chocolates,
toiletries,
makeup,
stationery or
mugs**

Please help us to create a magical Christmas for families across Stoke-on-Trent & Newcastle-under-Lyme. Many families will struggle this Christmas, please help us to help them enjoy a family Christmas

**Parent / Carers
Gift bags,
Chocolates,
Toiletries,
Stationery, Make-
up**

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