



Sandford Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Equality

Inclusion

Fairness

SAT's

As Year 6 prepare to take their SATs next week, we want to wish them all the best of luck. They have shown incredible dedication and hard work throughout the year, and this is their moment to shine. Remember, SATs are just one part of your journey, and no matter the outcome, you should all be incredibly proud of everything you've achieved so far. Stay calm, believe in yourselves, and do your best—you've got this! We're very proud of you all.

Sports Week—Equality, Inclusion, Fairness

We are excited to announce that we are having **Sports Week** again, week commencing 19th May 2025. Throughout the week, we have a variety of fun and engaging activities planned for all year groups, from Nursery to Year 6. To make the most of this active week, we kindly ask that all pupils come to school wearing their PE kit each day. We understand that it might be challenging to get PE kits washed and ready each day, so towards the end of the week, students are welcome to wear other appropriate sports clothing as a substitute. We're looking forward to a week filled with energy, teamwork, and plenty of sporting fun!

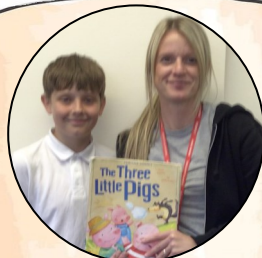
Attendance

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all our families for their continued support in ensuring excellent attendance throughout the Autumn and Spring terms. We are thrilled to share that our attendance data is above the national average, and this is a direct result of your dedication and commitment. We truly appreciate your efforts in helping your children attend school regularly, as it makes a significant difference to their learning and overall success. Thank you once again for your ongoing support!

Book Corner!

Miss Smith's interview with Parker

Miss Smith's favourite book is the *Three Little Pigs* by Joseph Jacobs. Her dad read it to her before bed. She also loved *Jack and the Beanstalk*.



Summer Fayre—Tomorrow!

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our Rodeo **Summer Fayre** tomorrow! **Doors will open at 11:00am.** If you are coming to the fayre, please do park away from school and respect our neighbours. We've got something for everyone — bouncy inflatables, exciting games and some wild west-themed surprises too!

For lunch, we have hotdogs, chicken nuggets and chips available and there are a variety of drinks, snacks and ice lollies available at the tuck shop. We have a challenge for all that attend, see Mrs Smith at the gate to help us pay for the Most

Wanted Staff! We are **cash only** and would appreciate if you could bring change along with you. See you tomorrow!



Our Weekly Phonics

Year	Phonemes (Sounds)	Example words
N	Learning the rhyme 'I'm a little teapot' and are learning to blend the sounds in words	
R	ow, oi, ear	down, shower, coin, boil, beard, tear
Y1	'ed' ending for past tense verbs	played, shocked, started
Y2	contracted words	won't, didn't, you'll

Notices

- **Clubs**—A reminder that there will be NO clubs next week, clubs will resume w/c 19th May.
- **PE Kit / Uniform**— During warmer months, we sometimes send messages via ParentMail inviting children to wear their PE kit if they feel they will be cooler. Pupils should only be wearing their PE kit on their PE days unless explicitly specified via a message on ParentMail. Otherwise, pupils should wear their uniform as normal.
- **Term Dates for 2025/2026**—The term dates for 2025-2026 have been finalised and are now published on our school website. We have attached a copy of the term dates to the back of this newsletter.



Weekly Attendance and Awards



Congratulations and Well done

Congratulations to **Vinnie B** who was awarded Parents' Player of the match with his football team. Amazing Vinnie!



Well done to **Isabella K** for achieving her Level 5 Stingray award at swimming. Great job Isabella!



Many congratulations to the members of The Kaytelles Dance Troupe; especially Khloe, Katie, Narla and Keira, who won this rather impressive trophy at a competition held at Chesire Oaks



Birthdays

We would like to wish the following children a very Happy Birthday for next week:

- Harrison W
- Michelle W
- Olly K
- Genevieve G
- Matilda T
- Evalyn S-G
- Braela P
- Jaxon B

Attendance

Class	Attendance	Points this week	Running Total
F1/1	99.0%	9	18
F1/2	80.2%	1	6
F1/3	94.8%	4	5
F2/1	98.8%	7	10
F2/2	92.6%	2	6
Y1/G3	96.3%	5	13
Y1/G4	98.5%	6	13
Y2/G1	94.2%	3	5
Y2/G2	98.9%	8	14
Y3/F3	99.0%	5	11
Y3/F4	96.7%	3	6
Y4/RBL	100%	8	13
Y4/RBR	99.5%	7	11
Y5/F1	98.0%	4	12
Y5/F2	94.8%	1	2
Y6/FBL	96.7%	3	5
Y6/FBR	99.5%	7	14

Our school attendance target is 96.0% and our school attendance is currently 95.4%.

Class	Thoughtfulness Award	Star Award (Postcard)	Reading Champion	Maths Champion	Curriculum Champion
N	Maddie M	Kai H-C	Elrayah M	Daisy M	Mabel B
F2/1	Stanley B	Lennie-Michael O	Gracieleigh D	Snow H	Mariam S
F2/2	Jayden G	Albie T	Kyren L	Deondrei P	Ella-Grace W
Y1/G3	Aurora C-B	Arabella S-J	Isatou J	Mylo B	Lucas G
Y1/G4	Scarlett C	Dottie C	George H	Lily M	Luca L
Y2/G1	Clayton L	Ollie S	Blayke D	Neave K	Harley C
Y2/G2	Clara W	Calla-Jane F	Adam R	Henry D	Harper H
Y3/F3	Cadi R	Charlie C	Elliot D	Edie C	Kellae C-M
Y3/F4	Hashim K	Ethan D	Rosie E	Skylar M-W	Robert B
Y4/RBL	Alice G	Elliott L	Mathieu R	Jessica G	Lottie S
Y4/RBR	Mason H	Josiah D	Roxanna W	Spencer H	Harrison P
Y5/F1	Amelia C	Abdullah S	Aliza A	Jaxon H	Vinny W
Y5/F2	Kylan M	Flynn H	Madison J	Keaton M	Miller C
Y6/FBL	Vinnie B	Isabella W	Rowanjay J	Ayda T	Stanley R
Y6/FBR	Amelia J	Sonny L-P	Macaylah H	George C	Isla J

Diary Dates

Saturday 10th May

HillFest '25—Summer Fayre 11:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Monday 12th—Thursday 15th May

Y6 SATs week

Monday 19th—Friday 23rd May

Sports Week (PE kit/sports clothes all week)

Thursday 22nd May

Northwood Field

Monday 26th—Friday 30th May

May Half Term

Tuesday 3rd June

Y2 trip to New Brighton Beach

Thursday 5th June

Stoke-on-Trent turns 100! Centenary celebrations

Oatcake Special Menu—more information next week!

Tuesday 10th June

EYFS Sports Day 10:00 a.m. (Reserve 12th June)

The EYFS sports day will end with a family picnic 11:15—12:00pm

Wednesday 11th June

Marvellous Males Morning—9:10—10:00 a.m.

Tuesday 17th June

KS1 Sports Day 9:15 a.m. (Reserve 19th June) ***New***

Friday 20th June

Miss Ridgway's class assembly 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday 24th June

Y5/6 Sports Day 9:15 a.m. (Reserve 26th June)

Y3/4 Sports Day 1:30 p.m. (Reserve 26th June)

Wednesday 25th June

Transition—Teachers to visit their new class

Thursday 26th June

Miss Hodgson's class assembly 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday 2nd July

Transition—Children to visit their new classroom

Thursday 3rd July

Parent Transition—Parents to visit their child's new classroom

Friday 18th July

Last day of term for pupils

Monday 21st July

Staff Inset Day

Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September

Staff Inset Days

Wednesday 3rd September

Pupils return to school

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 Chicken Korma
Tuesday	Oatcakes	Oatcakes or Tomato Pasta
Wednesday	Chicken Nuggets	Chicken Nuggets
Thursday	Hotdogs	Hotdogs
Friday	Fishcakes	Fishcakes 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.

School Penalty Notices for Attendance are Changing from August 2024

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into effect for all those issued after 19th August 2024.

Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice are issued to each parent, for each absent child.

For Example: 2 siblings absent for leave during term time would result in each parent receiving 2 separate Penalty Notices.

Third Offence

(Within 3 years)

The third time a Penalty Notice is issued for leave in Term Time or irregular attendance, the case will be presented to the Magistrates Court, where fines of up to £2500 per parent, per child can be imposed.

Note: Cases found guilty in Magistrates Court can show on Parents future DBS certificates as a 'Failure to safeguard a child's education'.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Irregular Attendance or leave in Term Time the amount will be £160 per parent, per child when paid within 28 days.

This is reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days.

10 sessions of Unauthorised absence in a 10-week period

Penalty Notices will be considered when there have been 10 sessions of Unauthorised absence in a 10-school week period.

These Absences can be late after register closes, Unauthorised Absences and Unauthorised Term Time leave absences. They can also be a combination of any of the above.

Second Offence

(Within 3 Years)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Irregular Attendance or leave in Term Time the amount will be **£160 per parent, per child when paid within 28 days.**

Penalty Notices are issued by the Local Authority on the instruction from the School/Academy, in line with the Department for Education legislation. Once issued these cannot be withdrawn.