



Sandford Hill Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Equality

Inclusion

Fairness

Sports Week—Equality, Inclusion, Fairness

We're delighted to share that Sports Week has been a fantastic success! Pupils showed incredible enthusiasm, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout, fully embracing the themes of Equality, Inclusion, and Fairness. It was inspiring to see everyone supporting one another and take part with such positive energy. The week also introduced exciting new opportunities for children to try different activities and develop new skills. A huge thank you to Bee Active, ASM Sports, Port Vale, Boogie Bounce, Andy Flowers from Stoke Spitfires, Staffs Cricket and CreActive. We have had activities such as assault courses, trampolining, wheelchair basketball, beatboxing and breakdancing, futsal, street dance, healthy eating, tag rugby. It's been incredible!

Girls Cricket and Northwood

A big well done to all the pupils who took part in the cricket tournament at Barlaston on Monday. We are proud of your efforts and the way you supported one another throughout the day. Well done to Isla, Charmian, Poppy, Ayda, Tansey, Imogen, Katie, Eva, Lacey and Evie.



Well done also to the children who took part in the Northwood Field athletics on Thursday. You represented the school brilliantly and we are very proud of you all. Well done to Archie, Kakra, Harper, Hunter, Kaiden, Lexi, Miller, Poppy, Parker, Pyper, Thea and Spencer.

Book Corner!

interview with

Mrs Allen's favourite book was *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* which she read when she was about 8. She loved the relationship between Grandpa Joe and Charlie and how Charlie won the big prize when he didn't have much money.



Stoke-on-Trent Centenary Day—5th June 2025

To celebrate our City's 100th year, we will be having a Special Menu! This special menu has been chosen by the pupils in school as they took part in a vote last week. We will be having sausage and cheese oatcakes—a local favourite—and those with a sweet tooth can try our oatcake crepe filled with marshmallow and chocolate spread! These menu items are only available during Centenary Day. Don't forget that Thursday 5th June is also a non-uniform day for all pupils (red, white and black).

Health and Safety

For the health and safety of all pupils, staff, and visitors, we kindly remind everyone that dogs are not permitted on school grounds at any time. This policy helps ensure a safe and comfortable environment for all members of our school community. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Attendance

We'd like to remind parents and carers that holidays should not be taken during term time. Any holiday taken during term time will be recorded as an *unauthorised absence*, unless there are exceptional circumstances. Please be aware that if a child has **10 unauthorised sessions (equivalent to 5 days)** within a 10-week period, this may result in a **Penalty Notice** or a **Notice to Improve** being issued by the local authority. Unauthorised sessions include holidays, absences without medical evidence and lates after 9:20 a.m. We appreciate your support in helping us maintain high attendance and ensuring every child receives the best possible education.

Parking Restrictions

Did you know, that the areas closest to the school gates are permit holders only or no stopping? We were extremely upset this week to receive numerous complaints from our families and neighbours in regards to parking. One neighbour couldn't access their street. **This could be an emergency vehicle needing access.** We would appreciate your support with parking and ask that you park away from school wherever possible and **under no circumstances, block neighbours drives or access to housing.** Thank you.





Weekly Attendance and Awards



Congratulations and Well done

Congratulations to **Thomas B** who has been awarded a medal at the weekend for his rugby skills. Well done Tommy!



Well done to **Harley C** who has been awarded Player's player for Cheadle U7s. Amazing Harley!



Well done to **Ollie S** who has achieved his Stanley Level 1 award at swimming. Fantastic Ollie !



Congratulations to **Ollie S** who 's team have been awarded a trophy for their exploits on the football field.



Congratulations to **Darcie-Leigh H** who has achieved her Stanley 5 Swimming award. Amazing Darcie-Leigh !



Well done to **Vinnie B** who has achieved two certificates for his swimming. Fantastic Vinnie !



Well done to **Narla W** who has been awarded two medals for her troupe dancing. Fantastic Narla !



Congratulations to **Ralph P** who has achieved his Little Stars Level 1 award at swimming. Well done Ralph !



Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Points this week</u>	<u>Running Total</u>
F1/1	70.0%	1	28
F1/2	90.8%	3	15
F1/3	78.2%	2	8
F2/1	99.0%	9	26
F2/2	93.2%	3	11
Y1/G3	91.7%	4	26
Y1/G4	94.3%	7	24
Y2/G1	92.7%	5	15
Y2/G2	94.5%	8	25
Y3/F3	98.7%	8	23
Y3/F4	88.3%	1	8
Y4/RBL	95.3%	5	24
Y4/RBR	90.0%	2	19
Y5/F1	97.3%	7	21
Y5/F2	92.0%	4	9
Y6/FBL	97.0%	6	19
Y6/FBR	92.0%	4	26

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

Well done to Mrs Morton's class and Mrs Bullock's class who are our attendance winners this half term!

Each class will enjoy an attendance disco after half term.

Birthdays

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

- Amelia J
- Darci-Jade C
- Leo P
- Clayton L
- Nova G
- Emily-Rose F
- Rowanjay J
- Charlie D
- Beatrix S
- Leo B
- Emily L
- Sonny L-P



Diary Dates

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

Non-uniform day for all (Red/White and Black for the Stoke-on-Trent colours)

Oatcake Special Menu

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.

Monday 16th June

Reception Heights and Weights

Tuesday 17th June

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

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



Menu

All meals are served with a dessert and drink.

Jacket Potatoes and Filled Sandwiches available daily.

Day	Nursery	Reception—Year 6
Monday	Chicken Nuggets	Chicken Nuggets
Tuesday	Pizza	Pizza
Wednesday	Cheese Whirls	Cheese Whirls or Chicken Korma
Thursday	S-O-T Centenary Special	S-O-T Centenary Special
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.