



Sandford Hill Primary School

Weekly Newsletter



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Bee Active - Run, Ride and Row

What an amazing day! On Thursday, KS2 threw themselves into the Run, Ride, Row fundraiser hosted by Bee Active, taking turns to run, ride on exercise bikes and power through the rowing machines. The competition was fierce, the energy was high, and the map to the right shows just how far the children travelled! A huge well done to our incredible KS2 pupils for their determination and teamwork. Thank you to everyone who sponsored the children — together we raised a fantastic £2,720.06 which will be used to improve the KS2 playgrounds and develop our science garden. Amazing effort, KS2!



The 5 ways to wellbeing

This week, we're shining a light on one of the most powerful (and often underrated) habits for wellbeing: **Keep Learning**. Learning isn't only about what we do at school. Trying new things, asking questions, reading for fun, or learning from mistakes can all boost confidence and self-esteem. Learning helps keep our minds active and shows us that it's okay not to get things right straight away. Importantly, learning also connects to the other ways of wellbeing. Learning with others helps us **Connect**. Trying a new sport or skill encourages us to **Be Active**. Reflecting on what we've learned helps us **Take Notice**, and sharing our knowledge is a great way to **Give**. So, whether it's mastering a new topic, picking up a hobby, or simply staying curious, remember: learning doesn't stop — and that's a good thing. Keep learning, and keep growing.

Weekly Phonics - Visit the phonics page on our website

Nursery	Reception
Learning the rhyme 'Little Miss Muffet' and are learning to make sounds with our voices	Recapping the qu, ch and sh phonemes - read and spelling words such as quick, quiz, shop, chip and rich.
Year 1	Year 2
Learning to read and write /ue/ saying oo such as glue, blue true and /ue/ saying yoo such as statue, argue and venue.	Recapping spelling words with the 'au' and 'aw' graphemes as in crawl, gnaw, haunted.

Year 3 Trip to Gladstone Pottery Museum

Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic educational visit to Gladstone Pottery Museum, where they learned all about the history of the pottery industry in Stoke-on-Trent. The children explored traditional techniques used in the potteries and had the opportunity to make their own pots using the skills they had learned. Their behaviour was brilliant throughout the day, and they were excellent ambassadors for our school.

Nursery Trip to Peak Wildlife Park

Our Nursery children had a wonderful time on their recent trip to Peak Wildlife Park as part of their winter topic. They were excited to see the penguins and polar bears and enjoyed learning more about animals that live in colder climates. The children behaved beautifully and made some lovely memories. The Strawberry group are already looking forward to their visit next week!



World Book Day

We're excited to be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March 2026! Children are very welcome to come to school dressed as a favourite book character if they wish. There is absolutely no expectation for parents to buy costumes or spend money — simple, homemade outfits are perfect. Ideas could include dressing as a character from a well-loved story, wearing cosy pyjamas inspired by a bedtime book, or creating a costume using everyday clothes. For example, a playing card drawn on a white T-shirt makes an easy Alice in Wonderland character. Most importantly, the day is about celebrating a love of reading and sharing stories together.

Notices

Sandwich & Jacket Potato Day - Please fill out the form on ParentMail regarding the lunch options for Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th February 2026. Please note there will be no alternative lunch option on either of these days.



"Great things happen to those who attend"

This week, our school attendance is 95.8%

Our school attendance target is 96.0%

WINNER

This weeks attendance

winners are:

F2/1 with 100%

A huge well done to Arabella for her swimming certificate! Keep up the good work!



Congratulations to Bailey who was awarded a special medal for being Kick Box champion this weekend. We are super proud of you!



Congratulations to Savannah who swam 25 metres and achieved another swimming certificate. What a superstar!



Congratulations to Finley who was awarded his Stanley 5 swimming award. What a superstar!



Congratulations to Maddie who received a dancing certificate for her super hard work, and always trying her best. We are very proud of you.



Congratulations to Betsy for receiving a swimming certificate. Fantastic achievement Betsy!



Class	Attendance	Points	Total
F1/1	96.15%	3	16
F1/2	97.69%	7	15
F1/3	96.92%	5	18
F2/1	100%	9	21
F2/2	92.92%	1	6
Y1/G3	96.67%	4	12
Y1/G4	93.33%	2	9
Y2/G1	97%	6	24
Y2/G2	99.29%	8	17
Y3/F3	99.67%	8	14
Y3/F4	95.86%	1	15
Y4/RBL	98%	6	12
Y4/RBR	98.93%	7	16
Y5/FBL	96%	2	12
Y5/FBR	97.24	5	17
Y6/F1	96.67%	4	11
Y6/F2	96.33%	3	13

Class	Thoughtfulness Award	Star Award (Postcard)	Reading Champion	Maths Champion	Curriculum Champion
N	Mila S	Gracie L-F	Milo D	Callum H	Oscar R
F2/1	Huxley T	Ethan P	Amiyah-Mae M	Ebony B	Maisie F
F2/2	Danny B	Braela P	Tyler L	Mason J	Rory B
Y1/G3	Leighton B-H	Kaiden R	Leia H	Defne O	Oliver W
Y1/G4	Arthur S	Sienna C	Albie T	A K-W	Kara-Mae L
Y2/G1	Hollie H	Mya P	Mya P	Logan O'R	Daisy-Beau M-N
Y2/G2	Ezra M	Isatou J	Adelina V	Nova G	Pippa L
Y3/F3	Arthur R	Vinnie B	Evie-Leigh E	Lennon J	Logan P
Y3/F4	Stephen S	Clayton L	Harley C	Hassan A M	Mya W
Y4/RBL	Amelia T	Shea T	Joseph C	Jensen B	Eeligh R
Y4/RBR	Jack S-G	Toni K	Hana A	Harrison F	Lettie-Rose B
Y5/FBL	Frankie C	Mathew W	Ethan B-S	Jessica G	Elliott L
Y5/FBR	Millie P	Megan W	Jessica R	Charlie A	Ivy-Jane F
Y6/F1	Poppy T	Lewis T	Deniss T	Freya L	Ava-Grace A
Y6/F2	Leo P	Mollie M	Jack H	Lexi L	Eliza P

Meals are served drink and a range of desserts (biscuit/cake/fruit/crackers) are available daily.

MENU

Jacket Potatoes/Filled Sandwiches available daily (Y1 to Year 6)

Week Commencing 2nd February 2026

	Nursery	Reception - Year 6
Mon	Southern Fried Chicken Goujons with Pommes and Corn on the Cob or Beans	Southern Fried Chicken Goujons with Pommes and Corn on the Cob or Beans
Tue	Roast Chicken Dinner	Roast Chicken Dinner or Cottage Pie with Yorkie Puds
Wed	Spaghetti Parmigiana with Garlic Bread	Spaghetti Parmigiana with Garlic Bread
Thu	Chicken Balls with Curry Sauce, Rice and Green Beans or Sweetcorn	Chicken Balls with Curry Sauce, Rice and Green Beans or Sweetcorn
Fri	Battered Fish and Chips with Peas or Beans	Battered Fish and Chips with Peas or Beans

Week Commencing 9th February 2026

	Nursery	Reception - Year 6
Mon	Cheesy Topped Chips with Beans or Sweetcorn	Sweet & Sour Chicken or Cheesy Topped Chips with Beans or Sweetcorn
Tue	JACKET POTATO DAY	JACKET POTATO DAY
Wed	SANDWICH DAY	SANDWICH DAY
Thu	Tomato and Basil Pasta with Crusty Bread	Tomato and Basil Pasta with Crusty Bread
Fri	INSET DAY	INSET DAY

Week Commencing 23rd February 2026

	Nursery	Reception - Year 6
Mon	Spaghetti Bolognese with Crusty Bread	Spaghetti Bolognese with Crusty Bread
Tue	Chicken Korma with Rice and Naan Bread	Chicken Korma with Rice and Naan Bread
Wed	Cheesy Potato Bake with Waffles and Beans or Sweetcorn	Cheesy Potato Bake with Waffles and Beans or Sweetcorn
Thu	Cod Bites with Chips and Peas or Beans	Cod Bites with Chips and Peas or Beans
Fri	Crispy Chicken Wrap with Twisty Fries and Beans or Salad	Crispy Chicken Wrap with Twisty Fries and Beans or Salad

All dietary requirements will be catered for. 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. Please use this menu as a guide. There may have to be changes prior to/in the week depending upon product availability.

FEBRUARY '26

03/02 - Y4/RBR Trip to The River Dane
04/02 - F1/1 Peak Wildlife Park
05/02 - Mrs Smith's Class Assembly
05/02 - Y4/RBL Trip to The River Dane
13/02 - Staff Inset Day
W/C 16/02 - Half Term
25/02 - Y1/G3 Trip to The Brampton Museum
27/02 - Swimming starts for Y3 & Y6

MARCH '26

02/03 - Y1/G4 Trip to The Brampton Museum
05/03 - SAT's Information Evening
05/03 - Miss Gerrard's Class Assembly
05/03 - World Book Day
09/03 - Y4 Recorder Festival
10/03 - F2/1 Trip to National Adventure Farm
11/03 - F2/2 Trip to National Adventure Farm
11/03 - Nursery & Y6 Group Photos
24 & 26/03 - Open Evening

APRIL '26

13/04 - Y4 Trip to Tatton Park
15/04 - Y2/G2 Trip to Hanley Museum
16/04 - Y2/G1 Trip to Hanley Museum
23/04 - Miss Lockett's Class Assembly
29/04 - Y4 Trip to Trentham Gardens
30/04 - Y5 Trip to Black Country
30/04 - Miss Hodgson's Class Assembly

MAY '26

04/05 - School Closed (Bank Holiday)
05/05 - Y3 Trip to Deva Centre
07/05 - Miss Humphries Class Assembly
WC 11/05 - Y6 SAT's Week
20/05 - Northwood Field Events

JUNE '26

03/06 - Y2 Trip to New Brighton
08/06 - Y4 Multiplication Check Week
24/06 - Northwood Track
29/06 - Y1/G4 Trip to Peak Wildlife Park

JULY '26

01/07 - Y1/G3 Trip to Peak Wildlife Park

Building Faith
Brick by Brick.

**Ss Mary & Chad's
Lego Church.
This Coming Sunday
1st February.
from 4pm.**

Service approx 45 minutes.

