



# Sandford Hill Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

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### February Half Term

It only feels like two minutes since we returned from the Christmas break, yet somehow six busy and exciting weeks have flown by. During this time we have enjoyed a range of trips, assemblies and clubs, and we are already looking forward to another wonderful Spring half term. Despite some challenging weather including snow days and the rearranging of trips, the children have continued to make the most of every opportunity. Year 5 had a fantastic visit to Jodrell Bank, Year 3 explored Gladstone Pottery Museum, Nursery enjoyed their trip to Peak Wildlife Park, and Mr Frost's class visited the River Dane. Thank you to Mr Frost, Mrs Johnson, Mrs Smith and Mrs Frost for their wonderful assemblies. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 23rd February, and in the meantime, we wish you all a happy, restful half term break.



### Mr Frost's Class Visit The River Dane

On Tuesday Mr Frost's class visited the River Dane and took part in a study lead by Stanley Head in support of their River topic. The children went to the source of the river and took measurements of the river's depth along the way. They represented the school brilliantly with their excellent behaviour and positive attitudes. Mrs Frost's class visit to the River Dane will take place on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

### Weekly Phonics - [Visit the phonics page on our website](#)

#### Nursery

#### Reception

Learning to identify words that rhyme.

Learning to read and spell words with the ai and ee phonemes - rain,chain,bee,feet and sheep.

#### Year 1

#### Year 2

Learning to read and spell words where 'y' makes the /ee/ sound - family, dizzy and tricky.

Learning to spell words with the suffix -y e.g. rainy,snowy, sunny.

### Wellbeing Week

This week in school, we have been celebrating Wellbeing Week, and the children have enjoyed taking part in a wide range of activities focused on understanding and improving their wellbeing. Each day followed a special theme to help explore different aspects of looking after ourselves. On **Munching Monday**, the children thought about healthy eating and how the food we choose can support both our bodies and minds. Then they enjoyed a delicious jacket potato lunch with a fresh salad bar, where they were able to choose their own healthy toppings. **Technology Tuesday** linked with safer internet day, giving the children the opportunity to learn more about using technology safely, responsibly and positively. On **Worries Wednesday**, the children reflected on their feelings and learnt helpful strategies for managing worries, supported by Youth Trust assemblies and, for KS2, engaging workshops focused on emotional regulation techniques and improving learning. **Thankful Thursday** encouraged the children to think about acts of kindness and giving, as well as reflecting on what they are grateful for in their own lives. To continue promoting wellbeing at home, you will receive a ParentMail over the weekend with information and activities to support **Fitness Friday, Sleepy Saturday** and **Self-care Sunday**.



### Notices

- Clubs** - Clubs will resume on the first week back after half term.
- Open Evening** - Open Evening is taking place in the Spring Term on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Appointments are now live on ParentMail.
- World Book Day** - We're excited to be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 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.



**"Great things happen to those who attend"**

This week, our school attendance is **95.6%**

Our school attendance target is **96%**

**WINNER**

A huge well done to **Miss Hodgson's** and **Mr Farr's** class who are the attendance winners this half term!

Congratulations to Kara, Freya and Amelia. The girls have competed in Waltz and Jive competitions in Manchester this weekend. Well done Freya for winning a trophy for your Jive! We're really proud of you all!



Congratulations to Ally-Rae for achieving your Octopus 1 award at swimming. We're really proud of you!



This weeks attendance

winners are: **Y4/RBR with 100%**



<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Total</u>
F1/1	97.8%	5	28
F1/2	85.7%	1	21
F1/3	94.5%	4	24
F2/1	98.9%	9	38
F2/2	98.8%	8	15
Y1/G3	87.6%	2	20
Y1/G4	88.7%	3	15
Y2/G1	98.1%	6	34
Y2/G2	98.5%	7	33
Y3/F3	98.1%	6	28
Y3/F4	92.3%	1	17
Y4/RBL	94.3%	3	22
Y4/RBR	100%	8	29
Y5/FBL	97.1%	4	22
Y5/FBR	93.6%	2	22
Y6/F1	97.1%	4	19
Y6/F2	98.1%	7	22

Congratulations to Abdullah for achieving his blue and red Taekwondo belt. Well done Abdullah!



Well done to Leia who achieved her 5 meter swimming certificate at the weekend.



Ashton was very proud to share this fantastic certificate he received for his brilliant dancing. Well done Ashton!



Well done to Mariam who achieved her yellow belt at the weekend.



**FEBRUARY '26**

W/C 16/02 - Half Term

25/02 - Y1/G3 Trip to The Brampton Museum

26/02 - Mr Farr's Class Assembly

27/02 - Swimming starts for Y3 & Y6

**MARCH '26**

02/03 - Y1/G4 Trip to The Brampton Museum

03/03 - Mrs Frost's Class to the River Dane

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

12/03 - Fabulous Females Morning

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 Events
- 29/06 - Y1/G4 Trip to Peak Wildlife Park

## JULY '26

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

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 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

## Week Commencing 2nd March 2026

	Nursery - Reception	Year 1 - Year 6
Mon	Meat & Potato Pie with Mash and Country Veg	Meat & Potato Pie or Sausage with Mash and Country Veg
Tue	Chicken Nuggets with Potato Puffs and Carrot Batons or Beans	Chicken Nuggets with Potato Puffs and Carrot Batons or Beans
Wed	Cheesy Baguette with Hash Browns and Beans or Sweetcorn	Cheesy Baguette with Hash Browns and Beans or Sweetcorn
Thu	Chicken with Sweet and Sour Sauce with Chips, Noodles and Green Beans	Chicken with Sweet and Sour Sauce with Chips, Noodles and Green Beans
Fri	Cheese Whirl with Twisty Fries and Beans or Sweetcorn	Cheese Whirl or Mac 'N' Cheese with Twisty Fries and Beans or Sweetcorn

## Week Commencing 9th March 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 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

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.

## Headteacher Termly Awards – Spring 1 2026

Nursery – Mrs Morton, Mrs Chetwynd, Mrs Gater

Jayden M, Chanai P, Ruby G, Ashton W, Amber S, Millie P, Jaxon C, Thea W

<u>Reception - Miss Hodgson</u>	<u>Reception - Miss Humphries</u>
Matilda T, Oliver S, Ebony B, Isabelle H, Olly K, Alby R	Daisy M, Rory B, Nellie W, Georgia-Neve H, Elijah C, Mason J
<u>Year 1 - Mrs Johnson</u>	<u>Year 1 - Mrs Smith</u>
Taylor N, Kara-Mae L, Joshua M, Albie T, Oakley T, Poppy-Rose B	Krishitha V, Snow H, Amelia H, Oliver W, Parker P, Leia W
<u>Year 2 - Miss Gregory</u>	<u>Year 2 - Miss Lockett</u>
Lacey H, Scarlett C, Eric P, Amelia S, George H	Mylo J, Isla B, Ava, Devansh M, Rosie-Mae C, James J
<u>Year 3 - Mr Farr</u>	<u>Year 3 - Mrs Gerrard</u>
Harlee D, Clara W, Lily M, Calla-Jane F, Rayaan A, Safwan U	Elsie S, Clayton L, Harrison W, Freya A, Isla P, Charlie D
<u>Year 4 - Mr Frost</u>	<u>Year 4 - Mrs Frost</u>
Briar B, Amelia H, Sienna K, Emily L, Joseph C, Jensen B	Edie C, Akuila T, Lilia-Grace B, Lyla F, Emily-Rose F
<u>Year 5 - Mr Alcock</u>	<u>Year 5 - Mrs Carney</u>
Cassandra E, Layla C, Benjamin B, Frankie C, Casey M, Mathew W	Isabella K, Ivy-Jane F, Tommy C, Josiah D, Roxanna W, Isabella K
<u>Year 6 - Mrs Pritchard &amp; Mrs Bullock</u>	<u>Year 6 - Mrs Hassall</u>
Mollie M, Niamh J, Millie H, Chavindu B, Henry R, Eliza P, Lexi L	Gracie-Lee P, Aila R, Ava P, Hashir K, Miller C, Mya F