



Sandhurst Primary School

Newsletter
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well a bit of an adventurous week for me this week. I took a bit of a tumble in the playground and am, sadly, back in a massive boot. So just as the world is opening up I am just hobbling. Never a dull moment at Sandhurst.

The children, on the other hand have had a fantastic week. The work going on around school is just lovely to see. Have a read of what they have been up to. I have attached some lovely photographs of Kiwi Class creating planets.

This week Nursery children have been busy making colourful rain-sticks and moving to the sound of rain in P.E. They have been counting and adding squares to their own Elmer Elephant pictures and writing exotic potions for the potion laboratory in the outside area.

In Reception they have been learning all about the Police force this week. They have been finding out what different jobs they do to help us. They have looked at what special equipment they need to carry every day and made their own walkie talkies and paperchain handcuffs. In Maths they have been exploring number bonds, finding lots of different ways to make 10. Finally, of course they have been reading and practising our handwriting. Such a busy week.

Year 1 have been learning about the desert. They have read a story called Meerkat Mail and have written postcards home from the desert. In maths they have been using practical equipment to share things equally.

Year 2 have been continuing to think about being healthy by thinking about what we eat, with a focus on fruit. They have created fruit salads and enjoyed tasting them and written lovely pieces of writing to persuade others to try their fruit salads. In Maths, they have been recapping knowledge of 3D shapes by making their very own 3D shape models and recognising the 3D shapes we know in everyday objects around us.

Year 3 have been looking at the picture book 'Window' and describing the different views from Sam's window. In maths they practiced using different methods to solve calculations and number problems. They have been finding out about balanced diets and looking at the types of food that contain sugar in them.

This week Year 4 have written Snowstorm setting descriptions using similes and metaphors and have also been learning about States of Matter in Science. In maths they have been using money to help them learn about decimal place value.

This week Year 5 have continued working with percentages and in English they have compared formal and informal emails. In Science they have considered the advantages and disadvantage of zero gravity and learnt about the different phases of the moon.

Year 6 have been continuing their story writing this week and learning how to draw a circuit in electricity. They have been comparing different biomes around the world in geography.

National Book Tokens

One of our lovely parents has spotted this competition. She has entered but please will lots of you enter to give us more of a chance of winning. Thank you.

Our school needs you! Help us win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the school library - and get £100 for yourself! Enter the competition online, it only takes a minute: <http://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

On Line Safety

Please can you check what your children are doing on line. We have had a few incidents, this week, of children accessing inappropriate content, on sites they are too young for and generally getting themselves into bother with social media. Your children's on line behaviour whilst at home is your responsibility and it is vital you are fully aware of what they are doing. Please check.

Multi Sports

Exciting news. We are looking into giving each year group the chance to attend a four week Multi Sport after school club in the very near future as restrictions continue to ease. It will a year group each night to retain our strict bubbles. The course will run for four sessions over four weeks so that every year group gets a turn before the end of term. So what this space....

Sandtastics Wrap Around Care

Our wrap around care is really popular. The children are really enjoying it. We have been reviewing our provision and from September our Breakfast Club will start from 7:30am. We have also been reviewing our pricing and we will be making a slight increase in the pricing. From September breakfast club will cost £6 per session and after school club will cost £15 per session. We have been comparing with other provisions and feel this is still very competitive. We have been looking into providing care for Nursery age children but this is proving much more challenging. The legislation and requirement for pre-school pupils makes it extremely difficult with necessary space, continued curriculum and cost. I will continue to investigate.

SANDHURST SUMMER OF PLAY!

Sandhurst Summer of Play has raised more than £1900, thank you to all those that have donated. With the money raised so far we will be able to install at least two new playground markings – a huge 12 metre agility trail and a rocket hopscotch!

It would be great if we could do more. If we can reach our £5000 target in addition to the two new playground markings, we would also be able to install two new giant chalk boards and refurbish the existing playground markings so that the children can have even more fun. We also hope to refurbish some of the existing furniture around the playground so the children get the full benefit of the outside equipment.

If you are able to support the fundraiser, please donate whatever you can using the link below which you can also share with your friends and family. If you have any links to local businesses who would be willing to promote the fundraiser (or even donate!) please share with them too.

[Fundraiser by Sandhurst PTA : Sandhurst Summer of Play \(gofundme.com\)](https://www.gofundme.com/)

Don't forget, you can keep up with all our progress and chat with the PTA and other parents on our Facebook page.

Child's Bike

A parent has a girl's bike, suitable for age 3 to 6 to give away if anyone is interested. Please email the office and we can link you with the parent. Thank you.

Lost Hat

I have got a really nice bobble hat in my office. It is the size to fit a toddler or small child. It is knitted, with a darker blue top stripe and bobble, a light blue and beige lower stripe. Let me know if your child has lost it. It was found just outside the main gate on Minard Road.

Have a lovely weekend. Sadly, I think it is due to be wet. See you all next week.

Yours truly

Mrs R A Dove