



Sandhurst Primary School

Newsletter  
Summer Term  
6<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was so lovely to see so many parents and carers in school this week. It just felt like times of old and I know the children were just so proud to show you their work. Thank you for coming.

Our next family event is the Hither Half on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May. But please don't forget you are all invited to our Jubilee Picnic on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 2:00pm, so start planning your food, pack a picnic basket and come and join us on the playground. Bring aunties, uncles, grandparents; the more the merrier. Don't forget your picnic blankets and chairs if you need as we will all be sitting on the playground!

All our love and thoughts go to Year 6 this weekend as they all sit their SATs next week. Get some good sleep at the weekend, have a good breakfast next week and by the end of Thursday you will be all done. Good luck Year 6.

In other news we are looking forward to welcoming back Sandtots to our dining hall every Thursday after half term. We had to stop using the hall due to COVID restrictions but I am delighted to say our pre school group will be back with us from Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June. If you would like to bring your pre-school children please come along at 9:10 and join the fun.

### **Learning this week**

In Nursery this week we continued our water topic by reading the story "Big Red Bath" and talking about how we use water at home. We also looked at a rather interesting object, which turned out not to be a window or a musical instrument, as the children first thought, but a washboard, and talked about how we wash our clothes. In

maths we found out about the number 7 and continued learning about patterns. We became pattern detectives, looking for all the different ones that we could find in our outdoor classroom.

In Reception, the children have been revisiting 2d shapes and looking for similarities and differences between them. In Literacy and the wider curriculum they have been thinking about Firefighters and writing little information books about them.

In year one this week the children have been learning all about the desert. They have read the story of Sunny (a very adventurous meerkat) who explores around the world, until he decides he wants to be back in the desert. They have looked at examples of postcards and including some amazing desert facts in their writing. In maths the children have been learning about sharing into equal groups, they have practised counting out each object to ensure groups are equal and fair. In Geography the children have been finding out about the seven continents of the world and the oceans that surround them. They have learnt a very catchy song to help them remember!

This week Year 2 have continued with their 'Healthy Me' topic and the focus has been the importance of eating fruit and vegetables. The children enjoyed chopping, slicing and peeling the fruit to make their very own juicy fruit salad. In English, they wrote a reflection on making their fruit salad and tried to persuade others to include more fruit in their diet. In maths, the children have been interpreting tally charts, pictograms and block diagrams to answer questions.

Year 3 have started looking at a new story, 'Window'. Because it has no words, they have been looking for clues in the pictures to help them to tell the story. The main character watches their home become more and more built up over time and so Year 3 have been debating whether or not they prefer the city or the countryside. In maths, they have been adding and subtracting fractions. Year 3 have been investigating which surfaces create the most friction for a moving toy car by conducting a fair test, measuring and recording the results. In RE they have been learning about how Muslims celebrate Eid.

This week in maths year 4 have been adding and subtracting amounts of money, using pounds and pence, and finding change from various amounts. In English they have been discussing the importance of oceans, what they provide, how we can look after the wildlife that live in the oceans and the impact humans can have on marine creatures. In topic they have been using atlas skills and looking at the sources of UK rivers and the

oceans and seas they flow into. In Art the children have begun researching their focus artist, Georges Seurat, in order to analyse pointillism.

Another exciting week in Year 5. The children thoroughly enjoyed the visit from parents and were so proud to show off all their hard work. In science, they have learnt more about the planets in our solar system including finding out how long each planet takes to orbit the sun. They also discussed the advantages and disadvantages of zero gravity and ended the week by tasting genuine space snacks! This week in maths, Year 5 have identified and named regular and irregular polygons with a focus on quadrilaterals. Using their knowledge of the properties of 2D shapes they were able to deduce unknown information about a shape. In English, the children have looked at the features of formal and informal emails.

In English, year 6 have been learning various approaches to answering the questions in each of the respective SATs papers. They have also been working on consolidating number knowledge and applying these skills to problem solving. To help support the children through their revision, we have incorporated mindful activities to their learning, discussing their concerns and hopefully allaying any testing anxieties they may have. The children have worked hard and the Y6 team are incredibly proud of them. Good luck for next week, you will smash it!

### **Lewisham Indoor Rowing Team**

Lewisham Indoor Rowing Team is running trials for London Youth Games. The trials are ongoing every Friday starting on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May at The AHOY Centre. The sessions are free and the students get a chance to represent Lewisham at the London Youth Games.

#### **Details**

**Location:** The AHOY Centre , Borthwick Street , SE8 3JY

**Time:** 15:00 – 17:00 please

book: <https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule.php?owner=19389632&appointmentType=32662470>

**Date:** Every Friday starting on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May until 10<sup>th</sup> of June

**Kit:** just normal PE kit (shoes, t-shirt and shorts or track suit bottoms).

**Age group:** year 7-11

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Have a lovely weekend all. See you all on Monday.

Yours truly

Mrs R A Dove