



# Sandhurst Primary School

Newsletter  
Summer Term  
15<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed reading your child's report and looking at their books today. I think you should all be really proud of them, especially after the couple of years they have had. Yr 6 absolutely entertained us this week with their amazing final production of 'I am a Sandhurst pupil, get me out of here!' Well done and thank you to all involved. KS 2 enjoyed a lovely performance of 'The Secret Garden' this week by M and M productions. KS 1 will see Peter Rabbit next week. So a huge thank you to Sandalls for providing this for us.

Well, we have had COVID, but now we also have the heat. Thank you to everyone who has sent in hats, water bottles etc. I am going to suggest that we relax uniform rules next week and children can come in shorts and a thin t shirt. Please do not send your child in football shirts, it must be a plain cotton t shirt please. But just clothes that are as cool as possible. We have now been issued a red warning for heat on Monday. We will do our very best to keep the children cool and hydrated. If you do choose to keep your children home on Monday and Tuesday, because you feel you can keep your children cooler than we can, you will not be penalised.

**We have decided to postpone the Yr 6 Fayre and Disco until Wednesday when it is due to be a little cooler. I will email all the details to Yr 6 separately. Thank you.**

Attached with this newsletter are the classes for next year. Your children will all be meeting their new teachers on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 1:30pm and have the chance to visit their new classroom. We will be sending home transition booklets to those pupils we feel would benefit from it.

Don't forget Peoples Day, tomorrow in Mountsfield Park, 12 until 7:00pm.

## **Learning this week**

This week the Nursery have made their own treasure maps and used them to find beautiful gems. "X marks the spot!" They have also enjoyed a variety of pirate stories and songs. The hot weather has been a good opportunity to have a lovely paddle in the outdoor classroom. Finally, we have been talking about our new classes and our feelings about moving to 'big school'.

In Reception this week, the children have been practising writing their numbers to 20 and talking about their move to year 1. They have been writing about themselves to their new teachers. Letting them know about their family, friends, and what they want to get better at next year.

This week Year 2 began reading *Changes* by Anthony Browne. They studied the images carefully, noticing the different changes happening around the main character. Year 2 then completed a piece of writing to reflect upon changes they have experienced or changes about to happen in their lives. In Maths Year 2 have re-visited the four operations and worked together by practising counting skills through outdoor maths activities in teams.

This week Year 3 have been publishing and sharing their fables in English. In maths, they have been consolidating their times tables and doing lots of maths passport work ready for Year 4. In science, they have been investigating how water travels through a plant by observing how food colouring changes the stem and petals on a white flowering plant. In RE, they have been labelling the features of a church and identifying local churches on a map of our local area.

This week in maths year 4 have been revising coordinates and plotting. We have created robots using coordinates and played coordinates bingo and made our own games such as battle ships. In English we written a letter to our year 5 teacher telling them all about ourselves and produced a year 4 information leaflet and survival guide for the current year 3. We continue to read our class book about evacuees.

Quite a varied week in Year 5. In maths, the children have played maths games to consolidate their knowledge of addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. Each class has started their lessons on Relationship and Sex Education. They have revised puberty and learnt in more detail about the menstrual cycle. Quasar Class had an exciting trip to Laser Quest in Bromley and the whole year group had a fun time at Mountsfield Park.

Despite the heat, year six have battled through rehearsals to bring you an amazing production. They have worked tirelessly to rehearse and perform to the infants, juniors and parents and I'm sure everyone will agree, they have pulled out all the stops to make it a fabulous show. The children have started to create their own artwork inspired by Kandinsky and developed their own colour wheels drawing on their knowledge of primary, secondary and tertiary colours. Finally, year six have enjoyed their final trip to Abbotshall, a lovely end to a memorable week. Roll on next week, with the year 6 Fayre, Leavers' Disco and the Farewell Assembly still to come!

### **Pro Strike Fundraising Day**

Congratulations to all those who raised money through our Pro Strike Day. The presents arrived this week and were distributed to your child's class. If there are any problems, please speak to Mr. Fogarty. The final amount raised by the children was £1,087.31

In September, the new school council will decide how and what this money will be spent on!

#### Medication for Pupils with Medical Needs

We have a record amount of expired medication that has not been replaced, despite numerous reminders being sent out. Keeping on top of the medication kept at school and ensuring that it is in date takes up a lot of time and the list grows month by month. Mrs McDuell will be sending out reminders once more next week as well as sending home any medication that expires over the summer break. If you receive a reminder, please could you ensure that you bring any new medication to the school office on your child's first day back in September. If there has been a change to your child's medical circumstances, please can you email to let us know.

#### Street Trees

**Please help and keep our street trees going during this extreme heat. Please water one of our street trees if you live near one. Poor Stephanie is doing sterling work but she really does need help. If you can see one on your street they need lots of water and you put it down the tube you can see next to each tree. Thank you.**

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#### Forster Park

Forster Memorial Park is 100 years old this year, and we are holding a birthday party after school on Friday 22nd July. We will have live music, food and lots of nature activities for all ages. It would be great to have as many members of the local community to come and help us celebrate the park. We will also be discussing our future plans for the park, and we are keen to gather thoughts from all park users.

#### Wrap Around Care

Wraparound Care Price Increase - there was a typo in last week's newsletter. The cost of an after-school session is rising to £17 per session from September (not £18) Sorry.

#### Free School Meals

Supermarket Vouchers for children entitled to free school meals. Mrs Manso will make arrangements for vouchers to be emailed to you at the start of the summer holidays. Please check for the email from evouchers.com in your inbox/junk mail.

#### Baby Travel System

We have been offered a nearly new, amazingly good condition, baby travel system, it consists of a baby carrier, pushchair and carrycot. If you are interested please contact the office. I have attached three pictures. We also have some lovely baby cloths that have also been donated, they are boys' clothes. I also have a travel cot. Please let us know if you would like any of these items.

#### Dates

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** – am KS1 Theatre production, pm Meet the New teacher and classroom

Yr 6 Fayre and Disco, see separate email to Yr 6

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – After School Club closes at 5:00pm

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** – Yr 6 Leavers Assembly (Yr 6 pupils leave after the assembly and shirt signing)

Break up for Summer

**SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR CHILDREN ON MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER.**

One week to go. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Yours truly

Mrs R A Dove