



Newsletter

22 November 2019

Weekly news

Firstly we would like to thank everyone who donated or purchased baked items at our Children in Need bake sale last Friday. Your support was truly amazing and we are delighted to announce that we raised a fantastic total of £498.08 from the bake sale and donations for wearing non-uniform. Thank you all so much!

This week has certainly been action-packed with so many events taking place in just one week.

On Monday and Tuesday this week, our junior pupils visited the Seal Squad Xplorer Exhibition at Seymour Gospel Hall. The children had a fantastic time hearing all about Septimus the seal, discovering about the species that can be seen around our Cornish coastline and also the importance of protecting their marine habitat.



Our reception children also had an animal encounter, of a different kind, when the Screech Owl Sanctuary visited us on Thursday along with three of their owls (a Barn Owl, Tawny Owl & Scops Owl). The children had an amazing time, and were able to take a really close look at these fascinating creatures. The children were even fortunate to have enough time to study and complete some life drawings of the owls.



Throughout the week, children from Years 1 to 6 inclusive enjoyed a free outing to the White River Cinema as part of the Into Film Festival. The children were treated to a viewing of one of three selected films. The aim of the film festival is to inspire young people to watch, understand and encourage children to have a go at making films themselves.



Meanwhile in class, our nursery children have been celebrating National Nursery Rhyme Week, singing different nursery rhymes each day. The children have then continued to explore the topic of each rhyme as part of their play, learning and development. Other topics covered in the various classes this week include number facts and number bonds, aviation pioneer Amelia Earhart, the ocean, exploring the properties of materials and World War 2, to name but a few.

We also found the time to participate in football and netball matches away to Mount Charles School on Tuesday. All teams put in a fantastic effort, well done to everyone who took part!

Preparations for our forthcoming Christmas performances have begun, so please be sure to read our newsletter next week which will have information regarding the events.

Enjoy your weekend.

Forthcoming Events

26th November - Nursery Parent Meetings (9am-5pm)

26th November - Year 6 St Austell Christmas Lights switch on (4:00 - 4:30pm)

27th November to 6th December - St Austell Poetry Festival

2nd December - Nasal flu vaccinations (Reception - Year 6 inclusive).

3rd December - Nursery Parent Meetings (12:30pm - 5:00pm)

9th December - Year 2 Christmas Performance (3:15 - 4:15pm)

10th December - Year 1 Christmas Performance (3:15 - 4:15)

12th December - School & Kids Club closed due to school being used as a Polling Station

13th December EYFS Reception Class Christmas Performance (1:30pm).

16th December - Christmas Fair (3pm - 4:15pm)

17th December - Year 3 & 4 Christmas Singalong (3:15-4:15pm)

18th December - Reception class sharing Learning Journeys with parents (2:30pm)

19th December - Year 5 & 6 Christmas Singalong (3:15-4:15)



Stars of the Week



Madeline	Nursery
Harrison	Reception (KE)
Alyssa	Reception (LP)
Lily-Rose	Year 1 (PW)
Jake	Year 1 (CG)
Scott	Year 2 (DB)
Bracken	Year 2 (KO)
Lewys	Year 3 (COB)
Tegan	Year 4 (SH)
Rebecca L	Year 5 (GR)
Leo	Year 6 (JW/DL)

School Closure - 12 December 2019

We would like to make you aware that we have received notification from Electoral Services that Sandy Hill Academy will be used as a Polling Station on 12 December 2019, due to the General Election being called.

On this date the main school, nursery and Kids Club will be closed, to ensure the safeguarding of children whilst the general public will be accessing the school premises.



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St Austell Library Visit

Attention Parents:

Over the week beginning 2nd December, we will be visiting St Austell Library. As part of their workshop, the children will have the opportunity to take out library books. To be able to take advantage of this opportunity, your child will need a free library card that can be obtained easily from the library or online.



For further information on how to join the library, please visit the Cornwall County Council website page below:

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/libraries/using-the-library/how-to-join/>

Reading Challenge

If you are looking for inspiration for suitable books for your child to read, why not take a look at this list of the top 100 Fiction Books for children, published by TES.

We are challenging the children to read as many of the books listed as possible.

In each class, children and teachers will compete to read as many of the top 100 reads as possible!

We'd encourage families to take part in the challenge at home also. Why not rediscover some of your childhood favourites and read together with your child?



Awards

Well Done to the following children who have received awards this week.

Times Table Stars:

James	- Year 1 (PW)
Alexis	- Year 1 (CG)
Bo	- Year 2 (DB)
Ella	- Year 2 (KO)
Casey	- Year 3 (COB)
Ollie	- Year 4 (SH)
Chloe	- Year 5 (GR)
Meygan	- Year 6 (JW/DL)

Spelling Awards:

Lacey	- Year 1 (PW)
Hayleigh	- Year 1 (CG)
Corey	- Year 2 (DB)
Ivy	- Year 2 (KO)
Jabez	- Year 3 (COB)
Jamie	- Year 4 (SH)
Lily	- Year 5 (GR)
Sophie	- Year 6 (JW/DL)

Reading Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils who received reading award this week.

EYFS & KS1 Awards:

Maddison (Yr1)	- Star Reader
Seth (Yr1)	- Star Reader

KS2 Awards:

Matthew (Yr 3)	- Ready reader
Tayla (Yr 3)	- Ready reader
Roxy (Yr 4)	- Ready reader
Meygan (Yr 6)	- Ready reader
Emily (Yr 6)	- Ready reader
Olivia (Yr 5)	- Independent Reader
Charlie (Yr 6)	- Independent reader
Jowan (Yr 6)	- Independent reader
Sophie (Yr 6)	- Independent reader
Zenna (Yr 3)	- Rising Reader
Holy (Yr 5)	- Rising Reader
Tia (Yr 6)	- Rising Reader
Hollie B (Yr 5)	- Super Reader
David (Yr 6)	- Super Reader
Aidan (Yr 6)	- Super Reader
Chloe (Yr 6)	- Super Reader
Austin (Yr 5)	- Advanced reader
Joseph (Yr 5)	- Advanced reader
Tommy (Yr 6)	- Advanced reader
Sam (Yr 6)	- Classic reader
Leo (Yr 6)	- Classic reader

Attendance

Whole School : 95.4%

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Government satisfactory attendance for a pupil is **96%**.

Mrs Evans	- 95.7%
Miss Polmounter	- 93.8%
Mr Williams	- 95.6%
Ms Green	- 93.2%
Miss Bussandri	- 96.1%
Mrs Osborne	- 94.6%
Miss O'Brien	- 96.3%
Miss Heather	- 95.7%
Miss Rogers	- 95.8%
Mr Walker & Mr Lockett	- 97.1%

Sandy Hill Academy

We aim to be STARS

- Self motivated
- Thinkers
- Aspirational
- Resilient
- Supportive

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Menu

Week beginning:

Monday 25 November 2019

Menu Choice - Week 3

Price £2.30*

**For children not entitled to free school*



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www.sandyhill.org.uk



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