

# Sandy Hill Academy News

30<sup>th</sup> September 2016

*Important Dates for your diary\_*

19th Oct–Harvest Assembly Nursery & KS1

21st Oct–Inset Day School & Nursery Closed

24th Oct–Half Term Week

31st Oct–Music Day

14th November–Prospective Reception Parents Tour 3.30pm

16th November–Individual School Photos


16th December–Last Day of Term 2pm Finish

**Congratulations to Mrs Simpson who is now a qualified bike ability & bike stability instructor. Mrs Simpson will now be able to teach children to ride bikes safely & give KS1 the opportunity to ride a balance bike.**



**We have been awarded a Silver Youth Sport Trust Quality Mark for PE & Sport!**

**Well Done!**



# Stars of the Week

YR -	Kyle Linkman
YR/I -	Jacob Gale
YI/2 -	Lily Humphrey
Y2 -	Joseph Elliott
Y3 -	Chloe George
Y4 -	Matilda O'Halloran
Y5 -	Hollie Ritter
Y6 -	Matthew Johns Lewis Stevens



## Lunch Time Stars

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# Year 5

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## phonics word of the week



This weeks  
word of the week is  
“moonlight” and  
the pseudo word is  
“loaz”.

### KIDS CLUB

Please ensure when leaving telephone messages or email bookings that you give at least 24 hours notice.

Kids Club does get extremely busy and we may not be able to accommodate your child for a late booking.

Sandy Hill car park is only to be used by staff and blue badge holders at any time of the day.

Local residents have asked if you are parking / turning that you do not use their driveways please.

## Aspire / Sandy Hill Update

We are delighted to tell you that Aspire Academy Trust now has 19 academies within it: Sandy Hill, Treverbyn, St Stephen Churchtown, St Minver, Padstow, St Breock, Biscovey, Biscovey Infants, Bugle, Probus, Mount Hawke, St Uny, Connor Down, Penryn, Summercourt, Whitemoor, Shortlanesend, Mawgan In Pydar and Truro Learning Academy.

It's a wonderful experience to work alongside other teachers and TAs and there are so many opportunities to share expertise and ideas. When Mrs Warwick is not at Sandy Hill, she is the Aspire Academy Improvement Director and also works alongside some other academies.

Sandy Hill is thriving whilst working alongside of Aspire and we love being able to offer your children the very best education that we can.

Sandy Hill's Y6 results in July were excellent and significantly above the national averages in all measures:

eg, **Combined reading, writing, maths score at expected nationally: 53%**  
**Combined reading, writing, maths score at expected Sandy Hill: 89%**

Congratulations!!

We are so proud of your children and are delighted with these results. More importantly, they are really happy and positive children who we also ensure can access a broad, balanced and exciting curriculum.

A massive thank –you to you for your continuing support and we look forward to another great year working with you and your children.

**We are very proud of all our children. They are looking very smart in their uniforms.**



### DRESS CODE

At Sandy Hill Academy we encourage the feeling of community and working together and believe that the way the children dress can make an important contribution to this. It can also help to produce the right atmosphere for effective learning to take place and can help promote good social values.

Children must not wear unsuitable clothes or shoes that may cause a hazard to themselves or other children.

Please turn over for details of uniform.

For **Physical Education** children change into shorts and gym shoes where the teacher feels it is appropriate. Children should wear black shorts and white shirts (or new coloured House-Team shirts). Trainers will be required for outdoor activities. Plimsolls are not safe to be worn outside as their soles are very thin so please ensure your child has trainers.

#### **For Safety:**

- Slip on sandals, flip-flops or high-heeled or excessively heavy shoes or boots should not be worn.
- The **jewellery** code should be observed – only small studs for pierced ears, watches and maximum of one bracelet should be worn. Body piercings should not be worn. All ear studs and watches should be removed for PE.
- Long hair should be tied back for certain lessons e.g. PE, technology.
- Children are not permitted to wear make-up, nail varnish, tattoos, either permanent or temporary or hair dye.
- Hairstyles should be neat and tidy.
- Children should have a suitable change of clothes and shoes for PE, whether indoor or outdoor.
- While we encourage the wearing of baseball caps as a sun protector, all hats should be removed on entry to the school building, classrooms and the dining room.

**PLEASE MARK ALL CLOTHING WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.**



# Reading Rewards



Well done to the following children who have received their reading certificates this week —

## Rocket Reader Certificate

Holy Bickerstaff



## Star Reader Certificate



## Cosmic Reader Certificate



Reading



## Harvest Celebrations

We will be collecting food for St. Austell Food Bank as part of our Harvest celebrations. Food donations will need to be in school by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

All donations will be greatly received.



# School Dinners

Week beginning

Monday 3rd October

School Dinners are £2.20 a day. Please make sure payment is brought in daily in a named purse/envelope

If you would like to pay weekly please bring in the money in a named envelope stating how many days payment is included.

Thank you

Week one	
12/09 03/10	
<b>Monday</b>	<p>Beef Cobbler Organic Mince Beef Cobbler with Creamy Mash Potato, Green Beans and Sweetcorn</p> <p>Mega Mozzarella &amp; Tomato Pizza v Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Wedges and Crunchy Salad</p> <p>Apple Crumble Fresh Fruit Yoghurt</p>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p>Bangers with a Mash Mountain Farm Assured Pork Sausages with Creamy Mash Potato, Cauliflower, Peas and Gravy</p> <p>Barny Bean's Veggie Chili v Vegetable Chili with Soft Tacos, Wholegrain Rice and Tomato Salsa</p> <p>Fruit in Jelly Fresh Fruit Yoghurt</p>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p>Organic Roast Beef and Bud's Crispy Spuds With Carrots, Seasonal Cabbage and Gravy</p> <p>Super Quorn Roast and Bud's Crispy Spuds v With Carrots, Seasonal Cabbage and Gravy</p> <p>Chocolate Brownie with Fresh Fruit Fresh Fruit Yoghurt</p>
<b>Thursday</b>	<p>Sadie's Chicken Curry Chicken Tikka Masala Sauce with Basmati Rice and Cucumber and Yoghurt Raita</p> <p>Jud's Spud with Vegetable Korma v Jacket Potato with Cauliflower and Chickpea Korma and Crunchy Salad</p> <p>Mango Fro'Yo Fresh Fruit Yoghurt</p>
<b>Friday</b>	<p>Fish Fingers with Chips Golden MSC Pollock Fillet Fish Fingers with Chips, Baked Beans and Peas</p> <p>Cheese and Tomato Tart v Cheese and Tomato Tart with Chips, Baked Beans and Peas</p> <p>Fruit-Packed Ponic Bar Fresh Fruit Yoghurt</p>

Jacket potatoes are available everyday with a choice of fillings including Salmon Mayo





# E-Safety Vision Statement

Spending time online is an important part of our lives, including school learning. Across the Aspire group of schools, children are taught about the benefits and hazards of life online, particularly in focused sessions on E-safety.

The **Aspire Digital Safety** group – including teachers and children – are consulted each year to review our **Vision Statement** and **Top 10 Tips** for online safety, currently as below:

***‘The Internet is an incredible modern resource. It’s brilliant for finding information, learning, socialising and having fun. It’s important that we learn to use it safely and respectfully; understanding the powerful tools it provides for us to use, while also protecting ourselves.’***

<b>1</b>	We take great care when moving and using mobile devices and computer equipment.
<b>2</b>	We don't talk to strangers on the internet, unless we have permission from our parents / carers.
<b>3</b>	If anything we see, read or hear on the internet worries us, we always show a trusted adult.
<b>4</b>	We know that people on the internet are not always who they say they are. We NEVER meet with anyone who has arranged to meet us through the internet.
<b>5</b>	We always use, and expect to see, polite language when we are online.
<b>6</b>	We are careful not to post personal information about ourselves in places where anyone could see and share it. For example: pictures, passwords, our address, phone numbers.
<b>7</b>	We are cautious and check the 'facts' that the internet presents to us, knowing that not everything is true or right.
<b>8</b>	We are careful when downloading files from the internet, since they might contain viruses or other harmful software.
<b>9</b>	We don't use websites, apps or games that are not suitable for children of our age.
<b>10</b>	If cyberbullying or something else upsetting happens while online, we always get help from an adult we trust.

Aspire schools positively encourage parents to discuss the safe use of technology with their children, and to take an active role in monitoring their child's safe online usage. Schools are sensitive in presenting information on these matters to children – parents are very welcome to approach schools with any concerns, or to request a particular approach for their child.

**Poltair**

Believe & Achieve

## Information Evening

Tuesday 4 October 6-7pm

An intimate question and answer session  
with the school's leadership team

## Tours of the School

Come and see Poltair School on a  
normal working day, visit the classrooms  
and talk to the pupils and staff

To book a tour of the school please add your contact  
details overleaf and return this card to reception.  
Alternatively please contact Mrs Pennell 01726 874520  
or email [head@poltair.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:head@poltair.cornwall.sch.uk)



## Attendance

Whole School : Week ending 23/09/2016 -96.76%

Government satisfactory Attendance for a pupil is 95%.

YR - 98.45%

Y3 - 95.56%

YR/1 - 95.56%

Y4 - 97.35%

Y1/2 - 98.46%

Y5 - 96.94%

Y2 - 96.54%

Y6 - 95.28%

Well Done to Year 1/2 with 98.46% attendance.

Thank you for your support in helping to reach our attendance target. Attendance is very important to every child's learning and we look forward to continuing to improve our attendance figures.

## **School Matters!**



**Did you know..... Any child whose attendance falls below 90% is regarded nationally as a child who has persistent absence.**

**The Government is very concerned with this and has invested heavily to monitor attendance of these children.**



# Free School Meals

Your child may be entitled to free school meals if you are entitled to receive one of the following :

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (not contribution based)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (not contribution based)
- Support under VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit with an annual income of no more than £16,190

If you were planning to pay for your child to have school meals or are already doing so, you could save around £350 per year if your child qualifies for free school meals.

Think of the time you would save!

If your child is eligible and has free school meals instead of packed lunch, you could save up to 190 hours a year, which is the time needed to make packed lunches that meet the nutritional standards of school meals—that's just over a week!

Our school will receive extra funding.

Every child registered for free school meals enables the school to receive money to spend on extra resources. It is called the Pupil Premium and is worth £1320 per child. If you don't want your child to have the school meals they can continue as normal—as long as you qualify and are registered.

We can help with printing out a form, helping you fill the form in or we can apply online for you. Either call into the office or phone the office on 01726 75858.

# Application Form for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

**Why not apply online?** You can apply online now at [www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals). Your application will be processed within 3 working days (normally the same day if submitted before 12noon), whereas paper applications may take up to 10 working days to process.

If you are in receipt of one or more of the benefits listed (see right) and you **do not** receive Working Tax Credits, please complete the application form below. If unsure, please contact the School Meals Team on 01872 323298 or email [schoolmeals@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schoolmeals@cornwall.gov.uk) – the team will be able to check your entitlement to claim.

**From September 2014, all Key Stage 1 children (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) are eligible to receive free school meals. However, if you are in receipt of one or more of the benefits listed (see right) and you do not receive Working Tax Credits, your child's school could benefit from Pupil Premium funding to support your child just by filling in this application form. For more information, please speak to your child's school.**

## Parent/Carer Details

<b>Title</b>										
<b>Legal Forename &amp; Middle Name(s)</b>										
<b>Legal Surname</b>										
<b>National Insurance Number</b>										
<b>Date of Birth</b>										
<b>Home Telephone Number</b>										
<b>Mobile Telephone Number</b>										
<b>Home Address</b>										

### Qualifying Benefits

- ✓ Income Support
- ✓ Income-Based Jobseeker's Allowance (not Contribution Based)
- ✓ Income-Related Employment & Support Allowance (not Contribution Based)
- ✓ Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income (as shown on your award letter from the Inland Revenue – TC602) of no more than £16,190.
- ✓ Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- ✓ Support via Part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999 (IAA)

**Please note, if you are in receipt of Working Tax Credit, you do not qualify for Free School Meals, even if your annual income is below £16,190**

Please tick to confirm that your annual income is less than £16,190, that you are in receipt of at least one of the qualifying benefits (see above) and that you are **NOT** in receipt of Working Tax Credits.

## Child/Pupil Details

Legal Surname	Legal Forename(s)	Date of Birth	School Attending <small>Add start date if not yet attending the school specified.</small>	Home Address

## Declaration

Please tick the box to certify that the above information is correct and that you agree to inform the Free School Meals Service immediately of any changes to these details. You are also agreeing that the Benefits Agency can reveal computer-held information for verification purposes as and when the Council is required to check new or continued eligibility. Please also note your information will be stored electronically on password protected and access controlled computer systems, and will be used in accordance with the principles set out in the Data Protection Act (DPA) 1998 and Cornwall Council's Data Protection Policy, which can be viewed at [www.cornwall.gov.uk](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk).

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Please return your completed form to **School Meals Team, West 3, County Hall, Treyew Road, Truro, TR1 3AY**