





Newsletter

27 September 2019

Weekly news

We have enjoyed an action packed week this week, beginning on Monday with our 'Singing Assembly' led by Mrs Jago. It really is an uplifting way to begin the week and lovely to hear the children singing so well.

Tuesday marked the start of our extra curricular clubs. Thanks to the staff, we were able to offer a fantastic selection of twelve different clubs to the children, from football, poetry, drama and netball to choir, aquabeads, film club and messy play to name a few. It is really encouraging to see so many children participate in the clubs and having such fun.







A representative from the Cats Protection charity visited all classes and nursery on Wednesday and Thursday this week, with the children learning all about responsible pet ownership and cat behaviour.





European Language Day was celebrated on Wednesday, with the whole school celebrating all things Spanish, from Spanish language, geography, history and traditions as well as learning about other Spanish speaking countries





Year 6 pupils were invited to spend the day at Penrice Academy on Thursday. The children participated in three exciting lessons titled 'Invent', 'Navigate' and 'Create' throughout the day, based on the theme 'Find Your Future'. Later in the evening parents were also given the opportunity to visit the academy ahead of their child's transition into secondary school

We ended the week with a bake sale in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. Thank you to everyone who kindly supported the event, both those who donated items to sell and those who purchased cakes at the sale. We will confirm the total raised next week.



Arbor Communications

Following our newsletter last week, we hope that you have all had the opportunity to install the Arbor app on your phone and have now enabled your device to allow push notifications from the Arbor app.

Due to the cost to the school of sending SMS messages, with effect from next Monday we will now use 'In-App' messages. There is no fee to the school for using In-app messages to communicate with guardians and you will also be notified when you receive an In-app message via the dashboard on the parent portal.

Please read the <u>Arbor User Guide</u> should you require any further information about the Arbor App and contact the school office if you have any queries.

Thank you.



Forthcoming Events

27th September - MacMillan Cake Sale (3-4pm)

3rd October - School Census Day - 'Cornish Harvest Lunch'

4th October - Prospective Parent Tour (3:30-4:30pm)

7th October - Prospective Parent Tour (3:30-4:30pm)

7th - 13th October - Dyslexia Awareness Week

11th October - Individual & Sibling School Photos

21st - 25th October - Half term

1st November - Prospective Parent Tour (3:30-4:30pm)

15th November - Children in Need

16th November - St Austell Torchlight Carnival



Stars of the



Kohen	Nursery
Harvi	Reception (KE)
Amelia	Reception (LP)
Nola	Year 1 (PW)
Dominik	Year 1 (CG)
Isabella	Year 2 (DB)
Paige	Year 2 (KO)
Alfie	Year 3 (COB)
Aaron B	Year 4 (SH)
Rebecca C	Year 5 (GR)
Jake	Year 6 (JW/DL)

Census Day - Menu Change

The DFE School Census takes place on Thursday 3rd October 2019. On this day we shall be enjoying a delicious 'Cornish Harvest' themed lunch consisting of a pasty (steak or cheese & onion), ice cream or a cake.

Schools are funded by the government for Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) dependent on the number of pupils which receive a school meal on this day. It is imperative to the school budget that as many pupils as possible in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 order a school meal on this day so that the school receives this funding for meals for the forthcoming year.

Please sign in to <u>ParentPay</u> to make your 'Census Day' menu choice. *<u>Please note any previous menu choice which had been made for 3 October will have been cancelled.</u>



Safeguarding - Pupil Collection Arrangements

As we begin the new academic year, we want to ensure that the information we hold regarding arrangements for children being collected from school or walking home independently, is up to date.

Please could we ask that you each sign in to your Arbor app and review the 'Profile' page to ensure that your details on the 'Family, Guardians & Contact' details are correct, which includes ensuring that the 'Authorised to collect' box is ticked as appropriate.

The Arbor parent portal will prompt you to provide details, such as home address, telephone number, religion and transportation method, if missing from the record. Should you update information using the portal, these changes will require approval from a member of staff before being amended on your record. Please allow 24 hours for these changes to be approved, or contact the school office if the change is urgent.

If your child currently walks home independently, we would ask that you contact your child's class teacher to request a consent form for your child to continue to walk home in the future. Until a completed form is received, we will contact you by phone to confirm your child is permitted to walk home. Once this letter has been signed by the parent/guardian it will then be recorded on Arbor and your child will be allowed to walk home in accordance with your consent.

Should you have any queries, please contact the school office (Telephone: 01726 75858).



Bag 2 School

We are pleased to announce that Sandy Hill Academy has organised a clothes & shoe collection with <u>Bag2School</u> in order to raise funds for the school.

Last Friday, your child will have been provided with a 'Bag 2 School' bag, in which we would ask you to donate any unwanted items of good quality adult or child clothing (not school uniform), shoes, handbags, jewellery, scarves and ties, household linen, curtains, towels and bedding. Your filled bag should then be returned to the school office no later than 9am on 18th October, when they will be collected by Bag2School.

Once collected, the bags are then weighed and the school is paid based on the total weight of the bags. The bags used for collection are also recycled.

We hope as many of you as possible will participate in this activity, raising funds for the school whilst also making some space in your wardrobe!

Thank you to everyone who has already kindly donated to our collection.

Awards

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

Times Table Stars:

Archie - Year 1 (PW) Seth - Year 1 (CG) - Year 2 (DB) Mia lvy - Year 2 (KO) - Year 3 (COB) Katie - Year 4 (SH) Molly Balin - Year 5 (GR) Ben - Year 6 (JW/DL)

Spelling Awards:

Anna - Year 1 (PW) Tyler - Year 1 (CG) Joshua C - Year 2 (DB) Jacob L - Year 2 (KO) Fllie - Year 3 (COB) Lewis - Year 4 (SH) Lani - Year 5 (GR) Scarlett - Year 6 (JW/DL)

Silver Merit:

Alex - Year 5

Attendance

Whole School: 96.59% W/E 27 September 2019

Government satisfactory attendance for a pupil is 96%.

Mrs Evans - 96.9%

Miss Polmounter - 94.7%

Mr Williams - 98.0%

Ms Green - 97.3%

Miss Bussandri - 95.6%

Mrs Osborne - 95.0%

Miss O'Brien - 97.3%

Miss Heather - 96.1%

Miss Rogers - 96.4%

Mr Walker & Mr Lockett - 98.6%

We aim to be **STARS**

Sandy Hill

Academy

- Self motivated
- **Thinkers**
- Aspirational
- Resilient
- Supportive

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Social Media

Reading Awards

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

EYFS & KS1 Awards:

Nola - Year 1 (PW) - Star Reader Ollie - Year 1 (CG) - Star Reader Lerryn—Year 1 (CG) - Cosmic Reader

KS2 Awards:

Isaac - Year 3 (COB) - Ready Reader Zenna - Year 3 (COB) - Ready Reader - Year 3 (COB) - Ready Reader Alex Aaron B - Year 4 (SH) - Independent Reader Fyfe - Year 4 (SH) - Super Reader Amelia - Year 4 (SH) - Rising Reader

Menu

Week beginning:

Monday 30 September 2019

Menu Choice - Week 2

Price £2.30*

*For children not entitled to free school meals

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Sandy Hill Academy



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Don't forget to visit the class blogs via our own website for latest news and pictures from each class.

House points - Week ended 27 September 2019



Here is the house points scoreboard for this week.

Every day children are awarded house points which link to school rules and expected values.

Points will also be awarded for sporting and academic success, good attendance and demonstrating the values of Sandy Hill Stars.