





Newsletter

29 November 2019

Weekly news

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at Sandy Hill. The week got off to a festive start with staff staying behind after school on Monday to put up the Christmas tree and decorate the school hall. Each of the classes had been very busy making their own decorations and we are sure you'll agree they look fantastic!













A massive well done to our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils who performed in the St Austell Festival of Music and Speech, at St John's Methodist Church this week. In the poetry category one of our children received a second place and a further two children received third place. We are very proud of all of you who took part. We would also like to wish good luck to our Year 2 children who are going to be performing on Saturday.





Our Year 3 children enjoyed a trip to Holy Trinity Church on Monday, to take part in a religious education workshop, learning about Christianity. Our Year 6 children provided some festive entertainment on Tuesday, when they sang at the St Austell Christmas Light Switch On event in White River Place.

Throughout the week children have enjoyed a variety of topics in class and our extra curricular clubs. Please visit the class blogs and our Facebook page for more information.

















Children have also spent time rehearsing for their Christmas performances. Please see the next page for details on how to obtain tickets for your child's performance.

We hope to see as many of you as possible at our Christmas events, which includes our Christmas Fayre on 16th December.

On Friday 20th December, we shall enjoy our school Christmas lunch. The menu is now available to book via ParentPay. Please ensure you book your child's meal choice by Monday 9th December, to ensure your child receives their preferred choice.

Forthcoming Events

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)

11th December - Rocksteady Concert (Further details to follow)

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)

20th December - Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

20th December - Last day of term (2pm finish)



Stars of the Week



Evie	Nursery
Sam	Reception (KE)
Kaiden	Reception (LP)
Maddie	Year 1 (PW)
Hayleigh	Year 1 (CG)
Michael	Year 2 (DB)
Ava	Year 2 (KO)
Jack J	Year 3 (COB)
Kelsey	Year 4 (SH)
Austin	Year 5 (GR)
Travis	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.



Christmas Performances



We are very much looking forward to our forthcoming Christmas performances, with the children excited at the prospect of performing in front of their families.

Our Christmas performances take place on the following dates:



Year 2 - Monday 9th December - 3:15 to 4:15pm Year 1 - Tuesday 10th December - 3:15 to 4:15pm Reception Class - Friday 13th December -1:30 to 2:30pm Year 3 & 4 - Tuesday 17th December - 3:15 to 4:15pm Year 5 & 6 - Thursday 19th December - 3:15 to 4:15pm



<u>Tickets will be available to purchase via ParentPay from Monday 2nd December at 2pm,</u> and will cost £2.50 each.

Please note, <u>ticket purchases will be limited to two tickets per child</u>, to ensure everyone has equal opportunity to attend. Tickets for the EYFS and Key Stage 1 performances will be sent home with your child on Friday 6th December. Tickets for our Key Stage 2 performances will be sent home with children on Friday 13th December.

Please feel free to contact either Mrs Williams or Mrs Kendall in the school office if you have any queries.

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?



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/

Awards

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

Times Table Stars:

Nola - Year 1 (PW) - Year 1 (CG) Brynley - Year 2 (DB) Jax Harry - Year 2 (KO) - Year 3 (COB) Ella Isabella - Year 4 (SH) Kyron - Year 5 (GR) Chloe - Year 6 (JW/DL)

Spelling Awards:

Ethan - Year 1 (PW) Eleanor - Year 1 (CG) Alicia - Year 2 (DB) George - Year 2 (KO) - Year 3 (COB) Lillie Amelia - Year 4 (SH) Olivia - Year 5 (GR) Mick - Year 6 (JW/DL)

Reading Awards

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

EYFS & KS1 Awards:

Sam (Yr R- KE) - Rocket Reader Ava (Yr 2 –KO) - Shooting Star

KS2 Awards:

Ethan (Yr 3)
Canish (Yr 3)
Jack J (Yr 3)
Chloe (Yr 5)
- Ready reader
- Ready reader
- Ready reader

Ruben (Yr 3) - Independent reader Alex (Yr 3) - Independent reader

Evelyn (Yr 4) - Rising Reader Ewan (Yr 5) - Rising Reader

Toby (Yr 5) - Super Reader

Leo (Yr 6) - Classic reader Isabella (Yr 6) - Classic reader

Bronze Merit:

Jabez, Jack J, Ella, Canish, Tayla - Year 3

Silver Merit:

Matthew, Isaac, Casey - Year 3
Alex, Austin, Bailey - Year 5

Gold Merit:

Sophie, Joshua - Year 5

Attendance

Whole School: 95.25%

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

Mrs Evans - 95.4%

Miss Polmounter - 93.5%

Mr Williams - 95.3%

Ms Green - 93.3%

Miss Bussandri - 96.0%

Mrs Osborne - 94.4%

Miss O'Brien - 96.4%

Miss Heather - 95.3%

Miss Rogers - 95.8%

Mr Walker & Mr Lockett - 97.1%

Menu

Week beginning:

Monday 2 December 2019

Menu Choice - Week 1

Price £2.30*

*For children not entitled to free school





Sandy Hill Academy

We aim to be STARS

- Self motivated
- Thinkers
- Aspirational
- Resilient
- Supportive

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

