



Newsletter

11 September 2020

Aspiring to achieve, determined to succeed.

Welcome

A very warm welcome, both to our returning pupils and all of our new Reception families. We hope that you have all had a lovely Summer break, are well rested and ready for the year ahead.

In what has been an unprecedented year, we are delighted to be able to welcome our pupils back to school this week.

The children have shown great resilience, settling in to their new classes and school routines already. It has been really encouraging to see so many happy faces.

Transition sessions for our new reception classes have taken place this week. The children have been busy exploring their new surroundings, sharing their 'All About Me' boxes and forming new friendships already.

In class, pupils have started their topics and have already produced some great work.

Year 1 have added a splash of colour to the classroom, creating some beautiful rainbow fish and engine house art



work.

Year 2 have enjoyed their first week back. Their focus book of the week was The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse by Charlie Mackesy. The children have recreated a page from the book and cho-



sen some quotes that they liked.

Year 3 have just begun to learn all about Egypt whilst Year 4 have started to get to know just how fierce the Romans were when they went to



battle. They created their own roman shields and really got into character!

Years 5 and 6 have also had a fantastic start to

the term, and have



taken advantage of the dry weather which has allowed the children to have PE sessions on the field.

We really are impressed at how well the children have returned this week.

We would also like to thank all our families for being understanding this week, as we try to refine our drop-off and collection arrangements, ensuring that everyone is kept as safe as possible.

We've been fortunate with the fine weather and will all need coats at the ready for a wet home time! We're sure you'll agree, it's best to keep the children safe and dry and ensure time is taken to dismiss carefully.

We are really looking forward to the year ahead and sharing with you our news and achievements.

Forthcoming Events

1st October - Autumn Census

23rd October - Nasal Flu Immunisations

26th to 30th October - Half term

21st December to 1st January - Christmas holiday

4th & 5th January - INSET Days (School closed to pupils)

Introducing Our Staff

Key Stage Leaders

Mr. Walker



I am the Key Stage Two (Years 3-6) Lead and Year 6, Oak Class, teacher. It has been a

pleasure to welcome all of the children back at the gate and so lovely to see their smiling faces each morning. It has also been a pleasure to meet lots of new parents; I am excited to continue getting to know you all. The positivity of children and parents alike has made coming back to school extremely smooth.

Mrs. Bawden



I just wanted to introduce myself. I am the Key Stage One (Years 1-2) Lead. I also teach Year Two, Maple Class. It has been lovely to see so many Key Stage One parents and children at the gate each morning and afternoon. I look forward to getting to know you all this year.

Mrs. Evans



Hello. I am the Early Years Lead. I oversee the Nursery and both Reception classes, one of which I teach (Cherry Class). It has been lovely to welcome all of the new children and parents in to life at Sandy Hill. We are really excited to learn and develop together with a bit of fun and laughter along the way.

Medical & Healthcare Plans

Teachers are currently making contact with parents to review all existing health care plans including those for children with asthma.

If your child has recently been diagnosed with any health condition that we are not already aware of then please contact school to ensure we have the relevant and up to date information.



Homework & Remote Learning

Here at Sandy Hill we use two platforms for setting and completing homework and remote learning.

Our Early Years children and Year 1 & 2 pupils use Tapestry, whilst our Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 use Google Classroom.

All families should have received their child's login details, however please email the school office (hello@sandyhill.org.uk) if you have any difficulty.

Please read the parent guides to Tapestry and Google Classroom which were emailed with this news-

Communications

Our newsletter is issued half termly, in addition to letters home, emails and text messages.

Our communication platform is Arbor, which is also used for recording attendance, parental consents and club enrolment.

Please make sure we hold your correct email address, to ensure you receive all essential communication.

Attendance

Whole School : 98.6%

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

Miss Penny – 97.9%

Mrs. Evans – 95.6%

Miss Bussandri - 97.7%

Miss Brandreth - 98.7%

Mrs. Bawden - 100.0%

Miss Rogers - 99.0%

Miss O'Brien - 97.4%

Mrs. Osborne - 99.3%

Miss Heather - 98.6%

Mr. Lockett - 99.4%

Mr. Walker - 98.9%

Menu

Week beginning :

Monday 14th September 2020

Menu Choice - Week 3

£2.35 per day

Autumn Term Menu:

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
<p>Monday</p> <p>Vegetarian Pasta Chicken and Tomato Pizza Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>Vegetarian Lasagne Chicken Curry Seasonal Vegetables Rice and Pulao</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>Mini Chicken Curry with Vegetarian Pasta Chicken and Tomato Pizza Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Friday</p> <p>Hot Fingers Chicken Curry Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p>	<p>Monday</p> <p>Hot Chicken Vegetarian Pasta Chicken Curry Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>Chicken Pie Chicken Curry Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>Hot Chicken Curry Vegetarian Pasta Chicken Curry Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Friday</p> <p>Hot Chicken Curry Vegetarian Pasta Chicken Curry Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p>	<p>Monday</p> <p>Vegetarian Pasta Chicken and Tomato Pizza Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>Vegetarian Lasagne Chicken Curry Seasonal Vegetables Rice and Pulao</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>Mini Chicken Curry with Vegetarian Pasta Chicken and Tomato Pizza Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p> <p>Friday</p> <p>Hot Fingers Chicken Curry Seasonal Vegetables Yoghurt or Fruit</p>

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We aim to be STARS

- Self motivated
- Thinkers
- Aspirational
- Resilient
- Supportive

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