



Sandy Hill Academy

Aspiring to achieve, determined to succeed.



Half Termly Newsletter Spring 2021



**Sandy Hill
Academy**



Forthcoming events:

2nd April to 18th April - Easter holiday

19th April - Summer term begins

3rd May - Early May bank holiday

6th May - School being used as polling station (School closed)

14th May - Year 1 Hearing screening checks

31st May to 6th June - Summer half term

21st July - Last day of term

22nd & 23rd July - INSET Days (School closed)



Head of School Welcome



Welcome

Although there may still be a chill in the air, things are certainly beginning to look so much brighter. We've enjoyed some sunshine over the past couple of days and with the clocks having gone forward an hour to mark the beginning of British Summer Time, we are already starting to see longer, lighter evenings which we can all enjoy.

We wanted to take this opportunity to share with you the fantastic learning which has taken place at Sandy Hill since the children returned on 8th March. It has been wonderful to see and hear the children back in school. The children have truly demonstrated how amazing and resilient they are this term. You will hopefully also have received your child(ren)'s mid-term report this week via email, please email the school office (hello@sandyhill.org.uk) if you have not received your child(ren)'s report.

We hope you enjoy this celebration of the children's work and that you all have a wonderful Easter break.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 19th April for an fun packed Summer term, full of exciting learning opportunities.

Mrs Rundle
Head of School



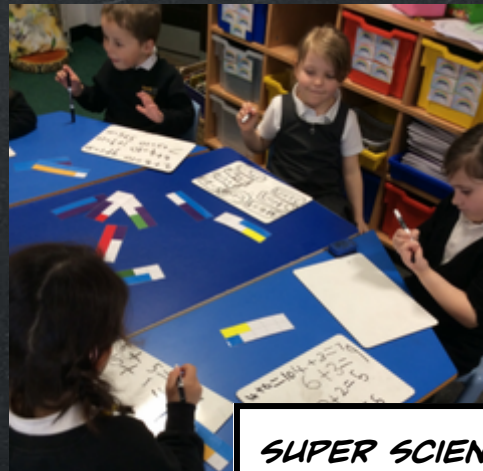
Nursery - Acorn Class



ENGINEERS, ENVIRONMENTALISTS AND EGG HUNTERS.



Reception - Apple Class



SUPER SCIENTISTS AND MATHEMATICIANS IN THE MAKING.

Reception - Cherry Class



*AWE AND WONDER IN A CLASS FULL
OF SMILES.*



Year 1 - Chestnut Class



WOW!



AWESOME!



Year 1 - Holly Class



**MINDFULNESS, RECYCLING, SPORTS AND
SUPERB SCIENTISTS.**



Year 2 - Maple Class



AERODYNAMICS, CIRCUIT TRAINING AND A MATHEMATICAL EGG HUNT CHALLENGE.



Year 2 - Willow Class



SUPERHEROES, YOUNG AVIATORS AND AFRICAN EXPLORATION.





*CELEBRATING A TERM FULL OF FUN. FANTASTIC SCIENCE,
INVESTIGATING FORCE AND FRICTION.*



Year 3 - Elm Class



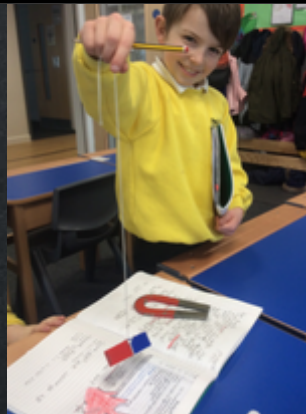
SKIPPING THROUGH SPRING TERM, HAVING FUN ALONG THE WAY.



Year 4 - Beech Class



SUPER SCIENCE, ART ILLUSTRATORS AND DEBATES - ENJOYING OUR LESSONS OUTSIDE.



Year 5 - Cedar Class



*CAPTIVATING CHEMISTRY, TAKING FLIGHT, GREEK ARTEFACTS AND RED NOSE DAY
SHAKESPEARE*



Year 6 - Oak Class



***YEAR 6 ENCOUNTERED EXCITING ERUPTIONS,
TACKLED RUGBY AND PRODUCED SOME FANTASTIC
ART.***



School Parliament

Our Vision:

For all children at to be able to have a voice and contribute towards the continuous improvement of our school community.

The aim of our School Parliament is to:

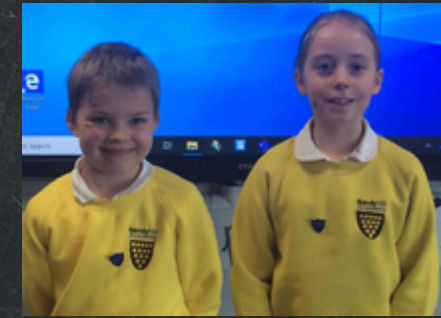
- Engage, inspire and challenge children.
- To make sure that our school is a safe and happy place for children.
- To make sure that children have a place to voice their concerns.
- To encourage all children in the school to suggest improvements.
- To make sure any suggestions or concerns are listened to and acted upon.
- Provide opportunities to develop children's leadership skills.

Our School Parliament is an excellent way in which to increase participation, teaching young people about democracy, local and global citizenship and accountability.



School Parliament

After having submitted convincing manifestos, we are delighted to be able to introduce you to our elected School Parliament members for 2021-2022.



Eco Council

At Sandy Hill Academy we highlight our commitment to 'British Values' through our passionate Eco Council.

As Eco Council members we develop and demonstrate the skills and attitudes needed to ensure that we participate fully in and contribute positively to our own and others' lives in modern Britain. We celebrate diversity making us part of a stronger community to promote the appreciation of the world in which we live.

Our Eco Council help to encourage and promote an environmentally friendly school and learning environment, taking a lead in being responsible to respect our school and local environment and encouraging our peers to do likewise.

We ensure that we consistently relate to our school strapline '*Aspiring to achieve, determined to succeed*' to enhance and accomplish our Eco Council aims.



Welcome to our 2021-2022 Eco Council



School Meals

Our kitchen and menus are managed by Aspens, with school lunches cooked on site by our fantastic catering team: June, Mark and Kerry.

Each day there is a nutritious, healthy menu which always includes a vegetarian option. Packed lunches and jacket potatoes are also available daily.

Our new Summer menu is now available to book via ParentPay. Please book your child(ren)'s meal by 11:59pm the day before the meal is required.

We will endeavour to cater for any specific dietary need that your child may have. It is essential to please make us aware if your child has any dietary requirements or allergies by completing the [Special Diet Form](#).



CLICK THE IMAGE BELOW TO VIEW OUR SUMMER TERM MENU.



Spring/ Summer 2021

FOOD FESTIVAL
By Aspens

12 Apr 9 Mon, 24 May 14 Sun, 5 Jul 26 Sat, 16 Aug 6 Sep, 27 Sep, 18 Oct

	MONDAY Family Faves	TUESDAY Authentic Italian	WEDNESDAY Backling British	THURSDAY Food Festival	FRIDAY Fun Day
Main Event	Hot Dog Baked Potatoes Wedges BBQ Beans	Veggie Supreme Pasta Garlic Slice Sweetcorn	Roast Chicken & Stuffing Roasties and Fresh Vegetables Gravy	Butter Chicken Curry Wholegrain Rice Coconut Green Beans	Fish Cakes Homemade Tartare Chips and Mashed Crushed Peas
Vegetarian Section	Quorn Dog Baked Potatoes Wedges BBQ Beans	Quorn Meatballs and Spaghetti Garlic Slice Sweetcorn	Lentil Veggie Loaf Roasties and Fresh Vegetables Gravy	Butternut and Chickpea Pasanda Wholegrain Rice Coconut Green Beans	Falafel and Hummus Wrap Chips and Mashed Crushed Peas
Packed Lunch	Pick and Mix Packed Lunch Freshly filled sandwich or roll, healthy snack, home bake and piece of fruit				
Jacket Potatoes	Crispy Skin Jacket Potato with Tasty Toppings				
The Finale	Peach Melba Traybake	Italian Sticky Orange Cake	Carrot and Pineapple Muffin	Indian Kullu Ice Cream	Yoghurt, Granola and Peaches
Homemade Bread, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt and Salad available every day					

Meal Veggie Jacket Potato Packed Lunch

Learning Together

"Tapestry keeps you in touch with your child's day wherever you are"



The image shows the login interface for the Tapestry Online Learning Journal. At the top left is a logo consisting of a grid of colored squares (yellow, green, blue, purple) next to the word "TAPESTRY" in a large, grey, sans-serif font, with "ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL" in a smaller font below it. Below the logo are two input fields: the first is labeled "Email address" and the second is labeled "Password". Both fields are empty. At the bottom of the form is a blue button with the text "Log in" in white.

Tapestry is an easy-to-use and secure online learning journal that helps staff and families across Aspire academies celebrate their children's learning and development in Nursery and Reception Class.

As parents, the first day of handing over your child to the care of another can be an emotional time. As your child adjusts to experiences without you at their childminder, nursery, or school, parents continue to want to share in these times.

Tapestry facilitates this by enabling a personal journal, or diary, to build over time. Photographs, videos and notes of special moments are not only recorded, but can be made available regularly and often immediately to you via your iPhone or Android App.



Learning Together

Google Classroom -
Enhancing connections with
learners from school, from
home, or on the go.



Think of Google Classroom as your child's digital link to learning. Teachers use Google Classroom to share resources, links and assignments with pupils during lessons at school across the curriculum.

KS2 teachers will use Google Classroom to share homework with students and parents. It is a great tool for keeping up to date with your child's learning.





Camilla Carter
SEND Co-ordinator

Mrs Carter is our SENDCo. She works closely with class teachers and teaching assistants to create programmes of support to meet the needs of the child.

If a class teacher feels that a pupil requires support that is additional to or different from what is provided within the classroom then following discussions with parents, the pupil may be put on our school's Record of Need.

Our aim is to support pupils and parents through this process, by explaining each step as it happens, providing support resources and materials if needed and regularly reviewing progress made to identify next steps.

Sometimes, we work with a range of external agencies to provide the best support for children, including:

**Speech & Language therapists
Dyslexia Support Service
Educational Psychology
Occupational Therapy
Autism Spectrum Team
Medical professionals**

We will be happy to talk over any questions or concerns you may have regarding your child's needs.

Parent Support Advisor



Sarah Chown
Parent Support Advisor

Parenting is not an easy job and, at times things can get tough. Like every other parent, you want what is best for your child. Parent Support Advisers are there to help deal with any worries or concerns. I may not have all the answers, but together we can work out how to find them.

How Do I Do This?

- I offer one to one support**
- I listen to you and offer support and advice**
- Provide information about other relevant services in the area**
- Offer opportunities to attend parenting groups and to learn together.**

What is a Parent Support Adviser?

Parent Support Advisers are there to help you and your child get the best from your school by providing support, advice and information. A Parental Support Adviser works closely with families to support school staff and external agencies in partnership with families. Helping parents to feel comfortable about coming into school and participating in their children's learning.

I will be happy to help you with any concerns you may have such as:

- Changes in Behaviour with your child**
- Child sleep issues**
- Debt management**
- Housing concerns**
- Help with any forms that need completing.**

Free School Meals* over Easter



We will be issuing final Free School Meals vouchers via Wonde for all children eligible for *benefits-related Free School Meals over the Easter holidays. At this time, there is no further funding allocated from government to provide a FSM food voucher scheme for future school holidays.



Personal Information

Please we may ask that you all check your personal details held on [Arbor](#), to ensure they are correct.

To display the details we currently hold, click on the 'Student Profile' button and this will then display information such as family address/contact details, medical information, dietary requirements and any parental consents outstanding.

The changes made be made by yourself via the Arbor App/Parent Portal. If however you do have any difficulty, please contact the school office to provide details of any amendments necessary.

Email: hello@sandyhill.org.uk



Reporting a positive COVID-19 result

Do you need to report a POSITIVE COVID-19 result during the first six days of the Easter holidays?

Fill in the out-of-hours form located on our COVID 19 information page on the Aspire Academy Trust website immediately.

www.aspireacademytrust.org/coronavirus

From Monday 12th April, Test & Trace assumes reporting responsibilities.

Thank you.

Personal belongings

Please may we ask that all your child's personal belongings (uniform, coats, P.E kit) are clearly labelled with your child's name for when they return after Easter.

Thank you.



Time2Move

Some of our pupils were fortunate to have been selected by Cornwall County Council, in conjunction with Active Cornwall, to receive one of these lovely Easter Holiday Wellbeing packs which were distributed today. We hope the recipients find some Time2Move and be active during the Easter break.



Please click on the image to view the Easter 2021 edition of BlackbirdPie magazine.





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