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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have welcomed back our wonderful Year 5, Year 4 and Year 2. It has been great to see the children again and find out what they have enjoyed doing, since we last saw them. The children have returned looking much taller, sporting new haircuts and all are very pleased to be back with their friends at Sandfield. These transition days have been a real success in terms of providing closure for the children on their school year and also looking forward to the exciting learning opportunities that await them next year.

Next week we are looking forward to welcoming Year 3 back and our new intake. We are all exciting about meeting the new children and their families.

This week's our highlights from across the school are:

Key Workers

Children have thoroughly enjoyed building dens this week during Forest School. They all completed their collage art based on the theme of 'Mountains'



Reception Class

This week has been extremely creative and we have made lots of under the sea artwork. We have made 3D sea creatures, jellyfish and paper plate crabs. Alongside this the children have been completing a variety of science experiments. On Friday we had our last day at school and celebrated with a party. We made crowns, iced biscuits and played lots of fun games! Thank you to parents and children for all of your hard work and support this year, I hope you have a fantastic summer break.



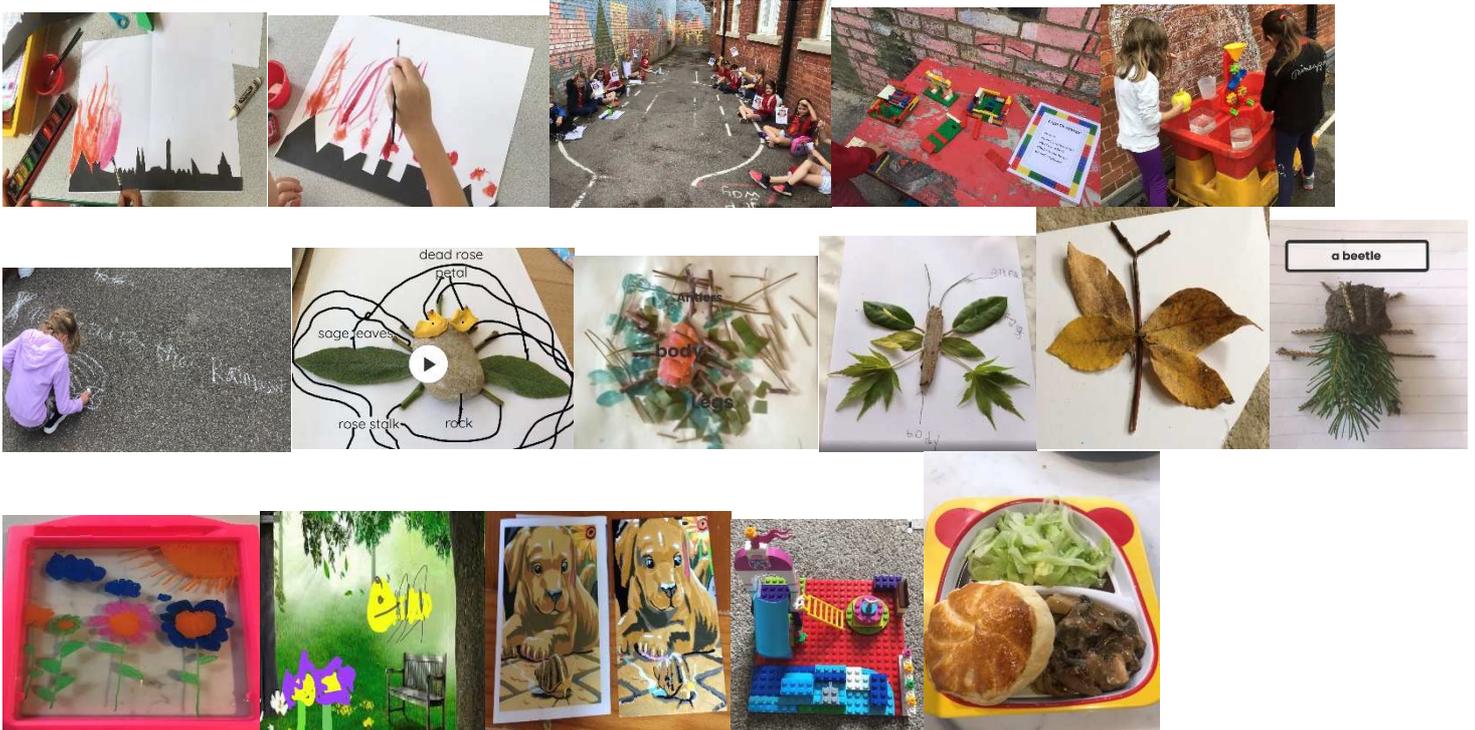
Year 1

This week, Year 1 completed lots of very creative tasks during Wellbeing Wednesday and have been focusing on learning to tell the time in our Maths lessons. In one of our reading lessons we listened to a story about a family going on a camping holiday and our children drew some fabulous pictures about what they want to do during their holidays. To all our families, a very big thank you from all of us. Your children have been amazing in persevering and showing great resilience in these unusual times, so thank you for supporting and encouraging them. We hope that you all have a fabulous, restful holiday and we look forward to seeing you in September.



Year 2

It has been amazing to welcome year 2 into school this week. The children have come in so excited and have enjoyed seeing their friends. They have enjoyed lots of creative activities and are also able to play with their friends. Our home learning has been very creative also and the children have again excelled in the tasks that have been set. I am so proud of them all and the resilience they have shown and I have enjoyed and cherished these few days with them. It has been an 'extraordinary' year and Mrs Davey and I wish you all a fantastic summer break and we are looking forward to seeing you continue your successes as you continue your journey into Year 3.



Year 3 and Year 4

What a final full week we have had! The WOW (Mrs Grant calls it Wonderful!) Wednesday was a great success with amazing baking going on - yum yum! And such adventurous menus devised for their restaurants - chicken Katsu with garlic squid as a side! That's what I would have!

We have been reflecting on our favourite Seesaw posts and we agree with the children who couldn't choose as they felt they had done too many.

We know that they would not have felt so positive about their learning without your support, encouragement and engagement.

Thank you sooooo much!

Have a glorious holiday and we are looking forward to seeing everyone back, bright eyed and bushy tailed, in September.



Year 5

What an exciting week we had! It was great to see the children having fun together, creating amazing artworks, looking at the highlights of Year 5 and sharing what they are looking forward to next year. They have designed their own island and national flag and the stories behind the flags showed the children's unique imagination and creativity. We will be continuing with the Island project during the last few days until the end of the term and I am looking forward to hearing their national anthems and the various new animal species they will discover. Well done Year 5 for showing great resilience and persevering with your work, and thank you to all the parents for your invaluable support. Hope you all have a good rest and enjoy the holidays!



The story behind my national flag is that when the first people arrived on the island they found herds of brown bulls. That's why my island is called Bullhorn Island. It has always been famous for its bulls. Even the village is called Bullhorn. The local bull on the flag is a symbol of peace between people and bulls.



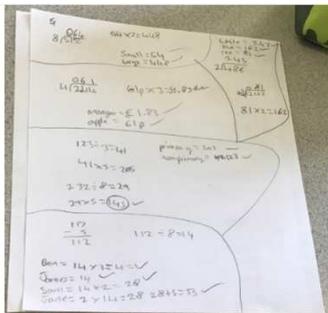
This is the Swedish flag. It has a white background with a blue cross in the center. The cross is made of two yellow lines. The flag is called the Swedish flag. It is the national flag of Sweden. It was created in 1844. It is a symbol of peace and unity.



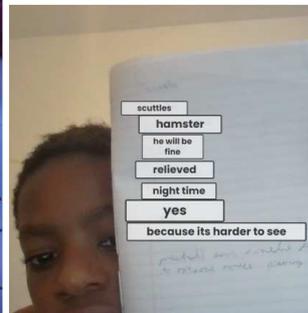
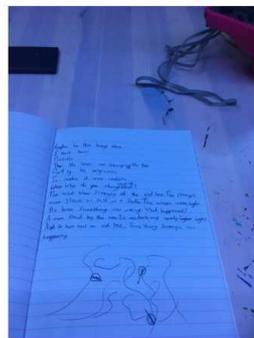


Year 6

It's been a funny old week this week. I have missed my little gang of Bubble 6 and the other bubbles of Year 6 as we have transitioned the Year 5 and Year 4 through 2 days in school. Seesaw has been fairly quiet as (I can only assume) Year 6 take their foot off the pedal for a bit of a rest at the end of what has been a year to live long in the memory. However, some highlights have been found! The Oak Academy work has helped the children to stay current with their maths in preparation for Year 7. There has also been some great English work using Pobble. The biggest highlight was seeing a little family treat of a cream tea at the Ritz.... Well done for this year children (and adults)!



Want to keep learning over Summer? Keep track of your progress with the helpful Oak Acorn Chart. Complete the activities to grow from a sprout all the way to a super oak.



Socially
distanced treat
for Nan;
Afternoon Tea @
The Riverside Ritz



A Message from our Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your commitment and dedication during these unprecedented times. You have all exhibited resilience, perseverance, communication, and determination just to name a few skills that are important to our Sandfield community. We have all had to work hard as pupils, parents, Sandfield staff and teachers, and as governors over this past school year. Hopefully, the summer holidays will provide a time to recharge and reflect.

Here are a few highlights from your Sandfield Governing Board this term:

Governor Appointments

- We would like to welcome **Stephanie Jenkins** our new member of the Sandfield Governors, who attended her 1st meeting on 14/7/2020. She grew up in Brighton and Hove and has recently settled in Guildford with her family following time spent living in London as well as overseas in the Middle East. Stephanie is a primary school teacher with a wealth of experience across early years and key stage one, having taught in maintained, independent and international schools over the course of her career. She is really excited about becoming a Governor and looking forward to helping our Sandfield community.
- Melanie Hancox was reappointed Chair
- Carissa Ramkisson was reappointed Vice Chair

Key Items Reviewed

- Governors approved the 2020-2021 school budget
- Governor skills audit took place

Policy Reviews

We continue to review school policies. All policies can be found here:

<https://gepacademies.moderngov.co.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?committeeid=180&info=1>

A Look Ahead

Here are a few activities that the Governing board will focus on next term:

- Reviewing the School Development plan
- Reviewing the curriculum

Thanks again to all of our pupils, parents, Sandfield staff and teachers, and fellow Governors for a tremendous effort this school year. It will take all of us working together to make this next school year a success.

Kindest regards,

Carissa Ramkisson

Vice-Chair, Sandfield Primary School

Finally, just to remind you that school will close on Wednesday 22nd July for the summer holidays and it will be the last day for our key worker bubble. It has been wonderful seeing these children throughout this time and watching them grow and develop. It has also been wonderful to watch the collaboration and friendship between the children.

Sandfield will not be quiet over the summer, as work begins on our school hall extension. The outcome will be toilets and storage especially for the hall. This will really help our extended day provision, with toilets being very easily accessible directly from the hall and also for all the clubs that let our hall in the afternoons, evenings and weekends.

Wishing you all a great, sunny weekend!

Kind regards



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