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## MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS



### Christmas Assembly

Today we welcomed Mark Woodward from St John's Stoke, to lead our Christmas assembly. Well done to Tobias, Martha, Esther and Theo, who read chosen verses from the Bible with great confidence. The choir sang beautifully and it was a real treat to listen to them. Mark then told a version of the Christmas story that involved at least 30 different chocolate bars and biscuits. The children really enjoyed this, especially when he described the three wise men as "smarties." It was great that Mark could come and join us at Sandfield and we look forward to seeing him again in the New Year.

### End of Term Events for your Diary

Tuesday 19th December      Christmas Singalong – 2:45pm – playground – all families welcome – gates open from 2:35pm

Wednesday 20th December      Mufti Day – Christmas surprise  
End of term – 1:30pm

### Back to school

We will look forward to seeing all the children back at school on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**May I take this opportunity to wish everyone in our Sandfield community a very happy holiday season. Many thanks for working in partnership with us as we strive to offer the best education we can.**

**Take care and best wishes**

**Mrs Collins and the Sandfield Staff**

## NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

### Reception Class

Reception have been working tirelessly and this week they were finally able to show off their hard work and talents! We had our final two Nativity performances, and the children loved every minute of it. They were so excited to see their families in the audience as they belted out their songs and danced their hearts out!



## Years 1 and 2

Year 1 and Year 2 have had another fabulous week and we have been doing practical Maths. In Year 1 they have been learning to tell the time. In Year 2 we have been learning all about money and how to use the coins to make the same amount by using a variety of coins.

The Nativity performances were the highlight of their week, and they were all amazing!



## Years 3 and 4

It's been a busy week in the Sandfield kitchen! Year 3 and 4 have researched, taste-tested and then selected their ingredients to make their wonderful soups. Special mention must go to Mrs Kelly, Mrs Sherwin and Mrs Oliver who braved 'Hell's Kitchen' when the hobs were on and sharp knives were being used. Thankfully, all the children had an amazing time and no accidents occurred. A happy cooking time!



## Years 5 and 6

We have spent the past fortnight writing our own adventure stories based on Kevin the carrot and the Wicked Parsnip from an old Aldi advert animation. After editing carefully, we created stunning book covers and published our stories in our neatest, joined handwriting. Will the carrot family be rescued in time for Christmas?

## REMINDERS & MESSAGES

### Admissions September 2024

In an effort to minimise the number of late applications received, Surrey County Council would like to remind parents at Sandfield with pre-school children, that the closing date for Reception applications for September 2024 entry is **15 January 2024**.

Applications must be made via <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app>, however parents can also request a paper application form or seek impartial help in completing an application via the Surrey Schools & Childcare Service (0300 200 1004, Mon-Fri 9am-5pm). Full information is available on Surrey's website at [www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/primaryadmissions).

Applications received after the closing date without good reason will be treated as late and will not be considered until all on time applications have been processed. This may jeopardise the chance of a parent being offered one of their preferred schools for their child. Please be aware that Surrey will **only** consider an application as on-time even if it has been made late if there is a genuine reason why the application could not reasonably have been made before the closing date.

### School Clubs - All before and after school clubs have now finished for the term.

Hometime and morning club **only** will continue in the last week of term as part of wraparound provision.

Information for the clubs running next term have been shared with parents ready to book for January. Please look at the calendar for information of the clubs that are available and links to booking forms, as well as dates that they are running.

### School Meal Ordering

The system is now set up so that orders can be made from the start of the new term in January through to February half term.

Don't forget to order meals for the first day back on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

### Trip / Event Reminders

Year 4 String Scheme **Autumn term contributions before 15<sup>th</sup> December please**

Years 1 and 2 Great Fire of London Experience day on 8<sup>th</sup> January