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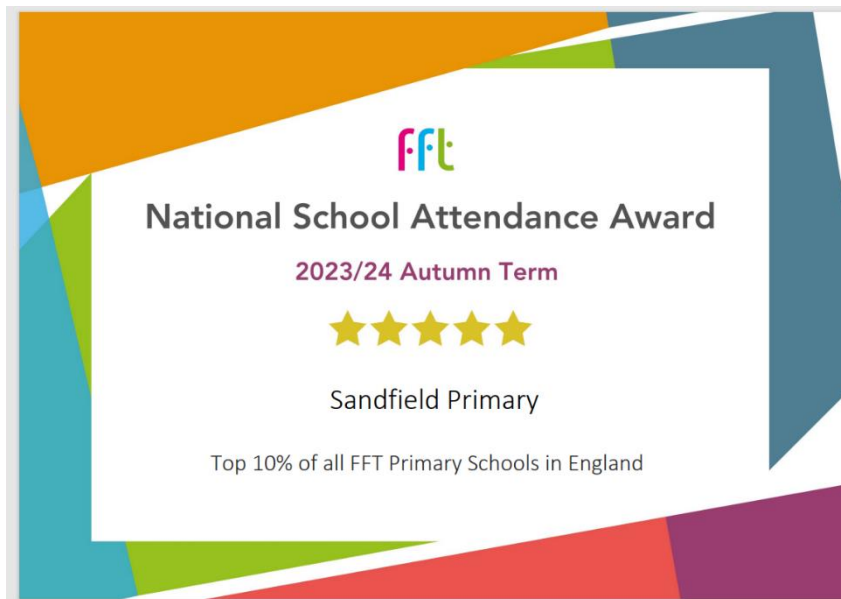
Newsletter

1st March 2024

Sandfield Primary School, Stoke Road, Guildford, GU1 4DT, 01483 566586

MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS

Attendance Recognition Award



We have just been notified that Sandfield School received an attendance award for gaining high attendance figures in the autumn term. Our thanks must go to all our families who ensure their child is up, ready and organised for the school day ahead. This is no mean feat, especially on dark, cold and wet days. As a school we understand that mornings can be a challenging time and we greatly appreciate your support. Every child is different and there is no "one size fits all," approach. The most important thing is your child's relationship with school and the partnership between home and school. We are always on hand every morning to welcome all the children in to school. It is great when families talk to us about any worries or concerns their child may have, so we can let staff know and be ready with support.

Our HSLW, Lucy Lidstrom, works with families to help improve attendance for all children. Please feel free to contact her via the school office or speak to a member of our team on the gate.

Wishing everyone a good weekend

Mrs Collins and the Sandfield staff

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Children in Celebration Assembly this week were:

Reception: Aloysius and Mohamed and a sad goodbye to Taleen

Year 1: Dawood and Kaashvi

Year 2: Luca and Paul

Year 3: Winter and Calumn-Neil

Year 4: Amelia, Daniel and Zainab

Year 5: Ariella, Nathalie and Gracie

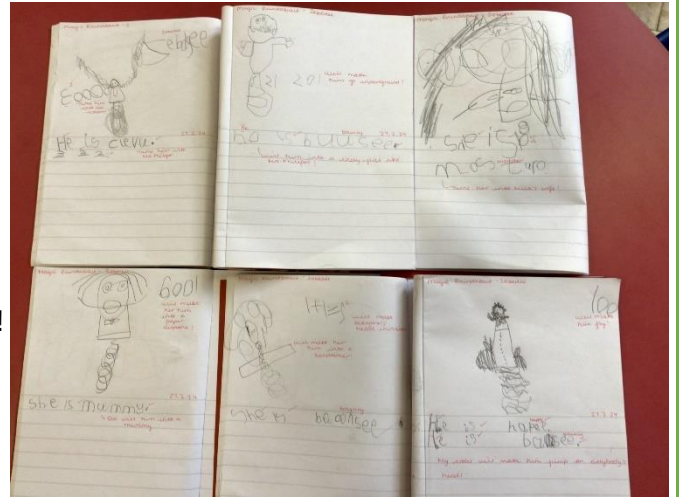
Year 6: Lilly and Noa



NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

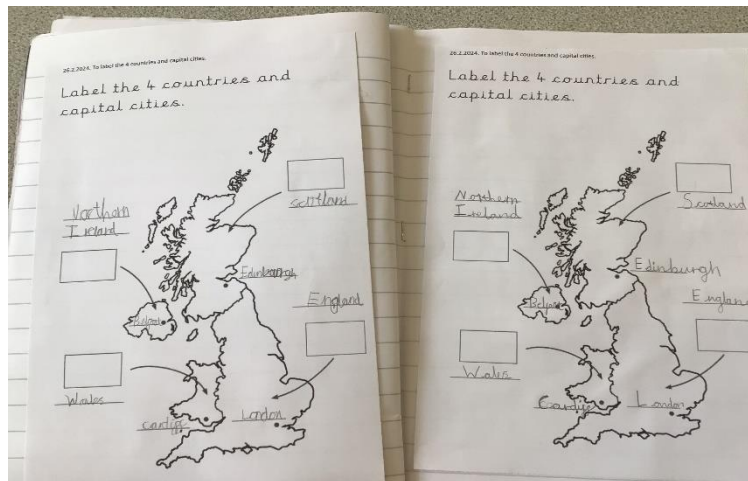
Reception

This week, we went back in time at Drawing Club to check out The Magic Roundabout! The children drew Zebedee, a home for Mr. Rusty and a magic bubble machine. We had lots of magic codes, which now appear in the form of sentences – even some with capital letters, finger spaces and full stops! The codes turned poor Zebedee to many silly things, including a monster wife, a bouncy volcano and even Mrs Phillpot!



Year 1 & Year 2

This week in Geography we have been learning about the four countries that make up the United Kingdom. We enjoyed listening to two songs about the different countries and their capital cities and then we clearly and carefully labelled them on a map of the United Kingdom.

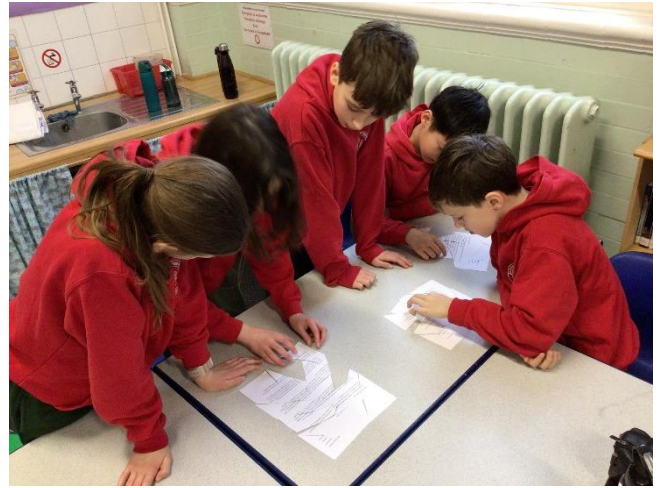


Year 3 & 4

The children in Years 3 and 4 have been learning all about living things (including characteristics of living things) and have been discovering how Carl Linnaeus' classification system helps to sort and identify new species. Our budding scientists were tasked with deciding which animal x-ray was of an invertebrate or vertebrate. They also had to match various animals and insects into these categories. Excellent work!

Year 5 & 6

Our current writing unit is based on a wonderful picture book called 'Shackleton's Journey'. We enjoyed working as a team to put together 'formal letter jigsaws'; it was quite tricky as there were three cut up letters to put back together. We had to use our reading knowledge to match the sentences up so each letter made sense. Our next job is to write an application letter to join Shackleton's crew on Endurance.



MESSAGES AND REMINDERS

World Book Day Thursday 7th March 2024

This year we are keeping it simple! Staff will all be reading different stories around the school and children will be voting on which they would like to go and listen to. Each child will be given a special World Book Day token to take home that they will be able to exchange for a special book. To see participating stores and for further details on this global event, please [click here>>](#)

Show Racism the Red Card Friday 8th March 2024

We are pleased to let you know that pupils in Key Stage 2 will all be welcoming an educator from Show Racism the Red Card next Friday. Please see the letter that we sent out yesterday for further details. If you have any questions regarding this workshop, either before or after the event, please do let us know.

Many thanks

Lucy Lidstrom, Home School Link Worker

Parent Teacher Meetings 19th and 21st March 2024

Please sign up for a slot to meet your child's class teacher via Studybugs. Instructions have been sent out to you already today, but please note that this may not work properly on mobile phones.

Reminders

Trips and Events: Please note that school trips are only possible if we receive parental contributions. Late contributions or missing contributions mean that we may not be able to run trips in the future and we would like to remind you to please always try and make contributions on time. If you have any questions about contributions, please contact Lucy Lidstrom, HSLW via Studybugs before any deadlines are due.

Year 6 Residential 2024: (3rd-5th July 2024) – 2nd instalment due on or before **29/02/2024**

Year 4 String Scheme: contributions of £20 to be paid on or before **22/03/2024**

Ramadan Celebrations: Next Friday at 8.00 am in the school hall. Please note that children need to be accompanied by parents to approve their food choices. Children who are not accompanied by parents will proceed to their classroom as normal

School Clubs: Please make a note of all times and dates when booking each club, to ensure you collect your child on time.

Community News

Families Surrey West Newsletter: This issue has loads of Easter activities, holiday camps, drama workshops, children's theatre and more! Please [click here>>](#)