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Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS

Thank you

Sandfest

A truly big thankyou to our fabulous PTA, who organised such a brilliant event and then worked tirelessly throughout the day. The bands were fantastic and certainly got us dancing. Thank you to Space Fishermen and Tom (soon to be a Sandfield parent). Special thanks to Mel, Katie, Feola, Lauren, Shimaa, Natasha, Charlotte and Paul, went above and beyond to ensure this event was such a success. Thank you to all the parents / grandparents and staff that came and helped on the day – we couldn't have done without you. Finally, to all the families that came along and supported the event. As a school community we raised an amazing £4000+, with the final figure to be announced. All money raised will go to support our new playground project.

Learning Partners Rhythm Composition Competition



Year 5 and 6 entered this Trust wide music competition. The aim was to work in small groups and create an original piece of music with many different elements; call and respond, and elements that repeated. The children could select the instruments they wanted to use. Each group was then videoed and the results sent to The County School for judging by their A level students. Well done to Jean-Sebastian, Adrian, Arlo, Cai and Ernie who were declared the winners from Sandfield.

Upcoming Important Dates

Thursday 11/07/2024 starts at **2:30pm** - Rock Steady Concert for parents of participating pupils
 16/07 & 17/07/2024 6:30pm-7:30pm – Year 5 & 6 Production. Tickets are available to Year 5 & 6 parents and carers from today. Tickets remaining will then be issued to the wider school community.
 Friday 19/07/2024 **1:30pm** – End of term

Enjoy your weekend

Mrs Collins and the Sandfield staff

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Children in Celebration Assembly today were:

- Reception: Alisha-Ruby and Dylan
- Year 1: Maya and Sander
- Year 2: Mattyas, Ollie and Lyla
- Year 3: Winter and Lilly-Mae
- Year 4: Tom, Harry and Isaac
- Year 5: Suzanna, Ernie and Jean-Sebastian
- Year 6: Rosie and Filip

And a special well done to Tallulah who was spotted by Ms McIlroy!



NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Reception Class

Ahoy Mateys! This week Reception began to explore pirates and mermaids. In Maths, we practiced the skill of drawing simple information from maps. We looked at different types of maps and made one of our local area together. The children applied this skill to create their own pirate treasure maps in provision. They drew features, ripped the edges and tea stained the paper to create an ancient effect. They used their positional language to explain their map to friends.



Year 1 and Year 2

This week year 1 and year 2 have been learning about food miles in our geography lessons. They enjoyed learning about the journey of bananas from planting to the supermarket here in the UK. After this, they created a fruit plate and used the food miles calculator to work out how far their food had travelled. They were so surprised how far their fruit had travelled!

Year 3 and Year 4

Music has featured heavily in Year 3 and 4 this week, with Year 3 using glockenspiels to read the musical notes D, A, C, B and G. Lovely strains of music have been floating through the air in the KS2 building! Year 4 have been working hard all year to learn to play either the violin or cello and this week culminated in a fantastic musical concert held at the Royal Grammar School to celebrate all that they have learnt. Well done to each and every one of Year 4 and also to Haneer who gave a very accomplished solo performance. What a very special day!



Year 5 and Year 6

Year 5 and 6 are having a very theatrical week! Year 5 have been on an amazing trip to G Live where we had a tour backstage and learnt about the technical side of productions. A highlight was a mini light show by their main technician before completing an art activity based on set design – it was a fantastic experience. Meanwhile, Year 6 have been creating props, sorting costumes and rehearsing for the end of term production which is sounding incredible!

TRIPS & EVENTS

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 Junior Citizenship: (12th June) – contributions to be paid or before **03/06/2024 OVERDUE**

Years 5 & 6 Swimming: contributions to be paid on or before **04/06/2024 OVERDUE**

Year 5 (6) Residential 2025: (19th-21st May 2025) – 4th instalment due on or before **30/06/2024**

Year 4 (6) Residential Autumn 2025 – deposit due on or before **01/07/2024**

Year 4 String Scheme: summer term contributions of £20 to be paid on or before **05/07/2024**

NEWS FROM THE PTA

Sandfest 2024! Wow, what a fantastic turn out we had on Saturday for Sandfest2024!

The weather definitely kept us on tenderhooks until the last minute but for most of Sandfest 2024 we basked in glorious sunshine! We saw many happy faces visiting our most loved stalls - Jolly Jammies, Face Painting and the bouncy castle were definitely crowd pleasers!

The candy floss and vibrant balloons which were new fair attractions also saw amazing interest. To set the scene and keep the festival theme going we were musically entertained by our new band "The Space Fishermen" and DJ Tom. Thank you for your amazing tunes! We look forward to welcoming you back next year!

We were also thrilled to welcome Boogie Pumps with great performances from the Saturday and Thursday after school dance classes. What incredible moves you all have! Our School Choir also entertained us with some amazing singing! Well done to all our amazing students and teachers for pulling these performances together!

Whilst we are on the topic of "Thank You's - where to start? Sandfest 2024 could not have happened without all the companies who supported us so generously with raffle prizes & food donations and of course all our volunteers - parents, family members as well as Sandfield staff and teachers - who gave their time to help organise the fair, set up on Friday and Saturday (headed by Ben and Louis – never has a set up ran so smoothly – and hope to see you again next year!), made donations and all of those helping out on stalls. We are happy to announce that each and everyone of your contributions raised approximately £4000, we are still waiting for final amount some expenses still need to be accounted for, towards the resurfacing of the playground!

SPECIAL THANK YOU'S - Our special thanks has to go out to the kitchen staff for providing us yet again with delicious biscuits for the ice-a-biscuit stall as well as letting us invade their kitchen to prepare and serve food from on the day! We know how precious your space is to you!

A second very special thank you from the KS1 children and all the PTA to Mrs McIlroy for standing in very last minute at the face painting stall! We know you have done your fill - but the children were all absolutely thrilled to have you paint their faces! We hope to see your face painting skills again in the near future!

Thank you also to our incredible care taker Neil and School Office ladies - Helen, Lindsey and Thabie – how you all stay calm and composed with your tireless optimism and "can do" attitudes is something all of us can only aspire to!

Mrs Collins and Mrs McIlroy - your guidance and support pre and during the fair were very much appreciated! Thank you to the Guildford Butcher for your food sponsorship, Aleksandra (Year 2) for donating a BBQ and the amazing teams cooking on the BBQ throughout the afternoon.

But let's not forget our very own head of international food, Shimaa, and her amazing helpers for cooking and selling truly delicious dishes donated by our parents.

Kate and Sam – what an amazing team effort! It is down to you both for making this year's music happen! We can not thank you enough.

Our new PTA recruits – Feola, Luran and Natasha – we are so grateful for your help organising visuals, raffle prizes and ticket sales, the bouncy castle and more.

Also thanks to Charlotte - you have been the force that kept the Sandfest boat on the right course organising all the essential food orders and licences.

Paul – welcome back to the team as Treasurer, your support and insight from past fairs has been invaluable. And finally, to Mel and all of the other PTA members – we couldn't do it without you!!

Although we are very happy to have had such an amazing fair, there is always room for improvement and your feedback as parents, visitors, pupils, staff is invaluable to us. With that in mind please could you forward any comments to: sandfieldschoolpta@gmail.com by next Friday 6th June. We would love to hear your thoughts about stalls, bouncy castle, prices, what went well, what was not so good, any recommendations, what was missing or to bring back next year. We can then use your reviews to fine tune our next event. Thank you for your support and time.

MESSAGES & REMINDERS

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KS2 Production of *Mystery at Magpie Manor*

Tickets are available from today and will be initially open to all parents and carers in **Year 5 and Year 6 first** until Monday 8th July, when they will be available to the whole school. Tickets are provisionally 2 per family and we will release any left over from Thursday 11th July 2024. Please scan the QR code to book your tickets!



Summer Holiday Camps at Sandfield:

To book Planet Soccer: <http://planet-soccer.info/book-a-holiday-course/>

To book Sport4Kids: <https://sport4kids.biz/camps>

REMINDERS

Morning Club: Please could we let you know that with effect from September 2024 the cost of the morning club will increase to £5.00 per session.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Guildford Family Centre Newsletter: Please [click here](#) to see the latest newsletter

Guildford Town Cycle Races: Please be aware that there will be several road closures on Wednesday 3rd July in and around Guildford town centre.

Please see below information about one of the bands that played on Saturday!

The Space fishermen formed in 2021, Molly, Reef and & Harry adorned their spacesuits and started making music together during their first year in college. The Indie Reggae trio created a plethora of tunes before meeting bass boss Leyton and the newly formed 4 peice were complete. Having gigged around the country for the last 2 years, the Brighton & Guildford based band have since played with names like Dr Feelgood, The Lottery Winners, Tom McGuire & The Brassholes and have made an appearance at several festivals in the South. Space Fishermen have been busy in the studio recording their current EP and can't wait to share it.

Watch Space Fishermen (the band you watched on Saturday) Play the Boilerroom 17th July 7pm :

Ticket link: <https://theboilerroom.seetickets.com/event/aqualine/the-boilerroom/2996260?aff=id1theboilerroom>

Social link: <https://www.instagram.com/space.fishermen/>