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Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS

Sandfield Playground Project

Breaking news! We have secured capital funding from the Learning Partners Trust for our new playground. As you can imagine, planning and constructing a new playground is a significant investment. Our primary goal is to level the playground and build a retaining wall alongside the trim trail near the KS2 building.

We plan to install a special soft-pour surface made from rubber granules. This surface is designed to absorb impacts and ensure safety by protecting against falls. Additionally, new lines and games will be painted onto the surface, and we will invest in new seating areas.

The total cost of the project is estimated to be around £140,000. Half of the funds will come from the Trust, with an additional £10,000 contributed by the PTA. The remaining amount will be covered by our school reserves. We are currently in the process of seeking planning permission and finalising quotes, with the aim of completing this major construction project over the summer holidays. This is an exciting time at Sandfield, as we look forward to providing a fantastic new resource for all our children.

Sandfield Ramadan Breakfast – Friday, 28th February

We are delighted to announce our Ramadan breakfast on Friday, 28th February. Everyone is invited to join in the celebrations. Gates will open at 7:45 am to welcome all attendees.

This event is always a joyous occasion and it's a wonderful opportunity for everyone to come together, learn about each other's cultures, and enjoy the festivities.

Please note that all children must be accompanied by their parents to ensure dietary requirements are met.

A big thank you to Shima and her team for organizing this event.



World Thinking Day

This year The Girl Guiding Association are celebrating World Thinking Day on Saturday 22nd February. It is a day when the world Guides and Scouts think about their sisters and brothers in all the countries of the world, the meaning of Guiding, and its global impact.

On Monday 24th February, all Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts can wear their uniforms to school to celebrate this important day in their calendar. We will send a reminder nearer the date.

A reminder that we break for half term next Friday 14th February at 3:15pm.

Have a great weekend everyone

Mrs Collins and all the Sandfield staff

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Children in Celebration Assembly today were:

Reception Class: Daniel and Rosaleen

Year 1: Evelyn and Noor

Year 2: Lucas and Zara

Year 3: Lockhart and Goundo

Year 4: Amelia and Kristoff

Year 5: Teddy and Krrieya

Year 6: Ariella and Lois



NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Reception Class

The children dove into Oliver Jeffers' book *Lost and Found* in Drawing Club this week. Many have impressed us with their efforts to use part whole models, number sentences and odd/ even numbers in their drawings as well as full sentences with capital letters, finger spaces and full stops! These brilliant codes shapeshifted the characters, enhanced the setting and have even summoned some malevolent creatures.

PE day for Reception Class is Monday



Year 1 & Year 2

This term, Year 1 and Year 2 have been exploring the world of AI in computing. The children used Keynote to craft engaging presentations about Fixer's car — a project they designed and built during design and technology lessons.

They were thrilled to learn how to animate their slides, record videos, and use voice-to-text features to label their photos. One standout moment was discovering the fire animation effect, which made their incredible car designs look as though they were blazing down the track!

Once the presentations are complete, we'll upload them to Seesaw for you to enjoy. Stay tuned for their creative masterpieces!

PE days for Year 1 & Year 2 are Mondays and Wednesdays



Year 3 & Year 4

The children have been building their scientific knowledge and skills by using the data they collected about nutrients in food and recording their results in a bar chart. This involved mathematical skills of rounding and statistics. They also revised their knowledge of the different food groups and played the 'Eatwell' game which helped them see what a balanced, healthy plate should look like. It was a lot of fun!

PE days for Year 3 & Year 4 are Tuesdays & Thursdays



Year 5 & Year 6

We had a great morning on Tuesday visiting the Guildford House Gallery on the High Street to see their current exhibition. We were lucky enough to view a wide range of contemporary pieces in an array of different mediums and colours, including: a fried breakfast made from glass, a ceramic sunflower, several large, colourful portraits and a sketch using only biro that took 20 hours to complete. We were amazed at some of the eye-watering prices the pieces were on sale for! The exhibition is on until 1st March and it's free to enter the gallery if you would like to visit yourselves.

PE days for Year 5 & Year 6 are Thursdays and Fridays

