



# **Newsletter**

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# MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS and SANDFIELD CELEBRATIONS

#### **SCITT Trainee Teachers Visit Sandfield**

On Wednesday, 30th April, we had the pleasure of welcoming seven trainee teachers to Sandfield. The aim of their visit was to explore the strategies we use to support our EAL children and their families.

Throughout the morning, the trainees gained valuable insight into the techniques we implement in our classrooms to support EAL learners, including the use of visual aids, key words placed throughout the environment, and task support sheets. They also witnessed our technology in action, observing its integral role in enhancing learning experiences.

During their visit, the trainees observed teaching and learning across all classrooms, enabling them to identify these strategies in real time. Later, some of our Year 6 pupils took the lead in showcasing our technology offer, explaining the advantages of having their own devices. They demonstrated how tools such as Google Translate, Seesaw, and Apple TV help facilitate learning, and shared examples of their work using apps like Pages, Keynote, iMovie, Podcast, and Plotagon.

As the session concluded, one trainee expressed her amazement, stating that she hadn't realized teaching in this way was possible. She was particularly impressed by how technology at Sandfield creates an inclusive and ambitious learning environment where every child, regardless of background or starting points, is empowered to succeed.









# Year 3 & 4 Cross Country at Boxgrove

Well done to the Year 3 and 4 Cross Country squad who braved the heat yesterday at Boxgrove.

All the children raced really well and stayed so positive! A special well done to Meabh who came 3<sup>rd</sup> out of all the Year 4 girls. The team showed such great spirit and cheered each other on, the sportsmanship was excellent.

Both Mrs Grant and Mrs Howard were incredibly proud of them all.



Wishing all our families a wonderful Bank Holiday Monday and we will see all the children on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May. Mrs Collins and all the Sandfield staff

## **CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY**

Children in Celebration Assembly today were:

Reception Class: Out on a trip

Year 1: Kayden and Elle

Year 2: Tom and Anastasia

Year 3: Thayel and Minahil

Year 4: Freddie and Sashant

Year 5: Adonai and Felix

Year 6: Jean-Sebastien and Adrian



## **NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS**

# **Reception Class**

A busy week full of marvelous animals and sunshine in Reception! This term we are learning about different life cycles. We enjoyed going across the road to visit newly hatched chicks at the Guildford Nursery School after learning about the life cycle of a hen. On Friday, we ventured out to Bockett's farm – the highlight of this term so far!

PE day for Reception Class is Monday







Year 1 & Year 2

We have started to practice for Sport Day! In PE this week Year 1 went into the cage and were skipping and clambering over an obstacle course.

Year 2 were remembering how to dribble a ball between cones and how to balance an egg on a spoon. We have all also been running around the playground getting ready for cross-country races too!

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

#### Year 3 & Year 4

This week in R.E, the children have been learning about Humanism and how non-religious people celebrate new life. The children enjoyed sharing their experiences of their own milestones as well as attending weddings and other significant events in other's lives. They each designed a plan for a naming ceremony for an imaginary baby and how they would make it special. They also created a promise/wish tree for their babies and wrote a message on a leaf to add to that tree. Well done Year 3 and 4!







#### Year 5 & Year 6

In RE this week, we were so lucky to have a 'Guest Visitor 'Rev Mark Woodward. The session was introducing our new Christianity unit 'Salvation (rescue) '. It was a fantastic start to this topic. The children reflected on how God saved his people, using stories from the bible such as The Story of Moses and Daniel in the Lion's Den. Some fantastic stories were shared about how the children had been rescued in tricky situations...

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

# TRIP DEADLINES

With lots going on this term, please see below deadlines for planned trips so far. All payments are still to be made via Scopay until we move over to the MCAS payment system in September.

Class	Trip	Amount	Deadline
Reception	Bocketts Farm	£24.00	Tuesday 29/04/2025
Year 1	RHS Wisley	£14.00	Wednesday 04/06/2025
Year 2	RHS Wisley	£14.00	Wednesday 04/06/2025
Year 3	Albury Estate Classroom Day	£10.00	Wednesday 21/05/2025
Year 4	String Scheme	£20.00 Spring instalment £20.00 Summer instalment	Friday 28/03/2025 Friday 04/07/2025
Year 4	Overnight Stay	£23.00	Wednesday 14/05/2025
Year 5	Residential Summer 2026	£20.00 3 <sup>rd</sup> instalment	Wednesday 30/04/2025
Year 5 *	Swimming	£20.00	Monday 02/06/2025
Year 5 *	Kayaking	£10.00	Monday 23/06/2025
Year 6 *	Swimming	£20.00	Monday 02/06/2025
Year 6 *	Kayaking	£10.00	Monday 23/06/2025

<sup>\*</sup>Please can all families ensure that you have completed the swimming form that was sent out last term. Your child will not be able to enter the water without this form completed.

#### **DIETARY INFORMATION**

Please can we ensure that all parents and carers are aware that the school caterers, Cleverchefs, do not serve any Halal meat at Sandfield.

This week, the school office team have been through all details of children with allergies, intolerances etc. An email will be sent to all families of whom we are missing dietary forms and incomplete information. Please check that your child's information on MCAS is correct.

Please note that Health Care Plans must be completed should your child have any intolerances or allergies and/ or any life threatening illnesses, that require any medication. These can be found on the Parent section of our website.

Please click here to start or amend a current Health Care Plan for your child.

## **PTA NEWS**

Thank You for Making Sandvision a Smash Hit! The PTA would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who came along and took part in our Eurovision-themed quiz night – Sandvision! Whether you joined in on the night, helped behind the scenes, or bought a ticket as a donation, your support made it a truly fun-filled evening. With your help, we raised an incredible £700 for the school! Thanks to the laughter, disco dancing, and amazing energy in the room, we're already looking ahead to making this a regular event – so if you missed out this time, don't worry... you'll get another chance to join the party next year!





## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Please also see the flyers on the newsletter page of the Sandfield website for more information about local news and activities

## **CONTACT THE SCHOOL**

MCAS App Tel: 01483 566586 Email: parents@sandfield.surrey.sch.uk

Don't forget to help your child plant their sunflower seeds for the whole school competition!

