



Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS and SANDFIELD CELEBRATIONS

Exciting Developments: Our New Playground

We're thrilled to share the progress on our new playground! Thanks to the recently constructed retaining wall, we now have a much larger flat area that drains efficiently—no more puddles! This improvement is a big win for health and safety.

The expanded space has allowed us to mark out two netball courts, which has already made a noticeable difference in the quality of our PE lessons. With more room to move, our drills and skills sessions have become more dynamic and inclusive. All 30 children can now be actively involved in real game scenarios, with two matches running simultaneously.

What's Next?

- Installation of gates across the stairways
- Re-tarmacking the entrance from the main gate (near the living wall) and the side gate
- Children will help choose new seating areas and suggest ideas for playground games to be marked out

We're excited to see how the playground continues to evolve throughout the term. A huge thank you to our premises team—Derek Trawber and Neil Osmand—for working closely with the builders to ensure the project was completed on time for the new school year. We also extend our heartfelt thanks to the PTA and all the families who helped raise funds for this key project.



Mrs Collins and all the Sandfield staff

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Children in Celebration Assembly today were:

Year 1: Courtney-Marie and Sacha

Year 2: Alisha-Ruby and Lilly

Year 3: Sadie and Arthur

Year 4: Ollie and Crizanne

Year 5: Mia and Nicolas

Year 6: Yusuf and Adonai



NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Reception Class

Our Reception children have started their first half-day sessions and have been absolute stars! They've been brave, cheerful, and curious —settling in brilliantly and already showing us how ready they are for big school. Today marks another exciting milestone: their very first lunch together in the school hall! Well done, Reception—we're so proud of you!

PE day for Reception Class is <u>Monday</u> – PE Kit: red t-shirt, green shorts or joggers, black trainers (no laces please) or plimsoles, optional: red hoodie / red Sandfield hoodie



Year 1 & Year 2

In Year 1, the children have been busy sorting and counting objects, helping them build strong number sense through lots of hands on activities. Meanwhile, Year 2 have been representing numbers using tens and ones with a variety of manipulative such as counters, numicon, dienines and bead strings. This has helped develop their understanding of place value. We have seen some fantastic thinking across Key Stage One and we are so proud of all our wonderful mathematicians. Well done Year 1 and Year 2.

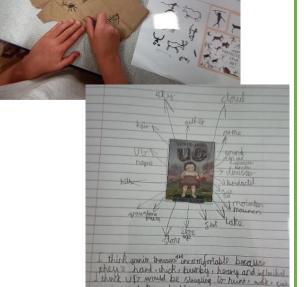
PE days for Year 1 & Year 2 are Mondays and Wednesdays



Year 3 & Year 4

Year 3 and 4 have made a wonderful start to the new school year and are managing to learn all their daily routines and our year group expectations. Our topic for the term is Stone Age to Iron Age and the children have been experimenting with making cave wall drawings and reading 'Ug- Boy Genius of the Stone Age' by Raymond Briggs as a stimulus for their writing. A great start to the term everyone!

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



Year 5 & Year 6

Year 5 and 6 have been exploring *Rose Blanche*, a powerful picture book set during World War II. We've been using the illustrations to make thoughtful inferences about how the characters might be feeling in such a difficult time. We've also been sharpening our grammar skills by writing sentences with relative clauses to add detail and depth to our ideas.

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



NEWS FROM THE INCLUSION TEAM



As we all start a new school year, we wanted to take the opportunity to remind parents and carers about the importance of online safety:

Do you know what your child does online? How safe are they?

Delivered by expert presenters, these sessions give you easy to implement advice to enable your child to grow up in the digital age with confidence and security.

The Digital Dilemma: Keeping Children Safe Online | Eventbrite

Key Topics Include:

Email & Mobile Phones: The art of spotting a scam and keeping your children safe from common scams online.

Social Media/Chatroom Safety: The risks of social media. Social Engineering, disinformation, AI, privacy and account compromises.

Gaming: Understand what the risks are to young people when gaming and discover how to monitor and restrict use.

Password Mastery and Two-Factor Authentication (2FA): Helping you and your family to secure your account following best practice.

Q&A: Ask us anything!

For more free courses and resources from the Inclusion Team, please visit Sandfield's Padlet which is regularly updated throughout the academic year https://padlet.com/Sandfield/sandfield-resources-from-the-inclusion-and-pastoral-team-dg58cw4jfndo63ys.

TRIP DEADLINES

Please see below deadlines for planned trips so far. All payments are to be made via your **MCAS payment** system.

Class	Trip	Amount	Deadline
Year 3 & 4	Butser Ancient Farm	£17.06, FSM Pupils £7.00	
Year 5 & 6	Henley Fort WW 2 Experience	£22.92, FSM Pupils £10.00	

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.

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

Hi everyone!

Just a quick note to let you know that the PTA will be having our first meeting of the school year on Thursday

18th September at 7:30pm at The Drummond Pub in Woodbridge Road 🥐 🞉 This is a relaxed and friendly evening – a great chance to meet other parents, hear what the PTA is all about, and get involved (as much or as little as you like!).

Also, our PTA AGM (Annual General Meeting) will be held on Friday 3rd October at 9:00 at the school. This is where we review what we've done over the past year and look ahead – it's a great way to learn more and have your say.

Everyone's welcome at both – we'd really love to see some new faces! Thanks!

Charlotte

COMMUNITY NEWS

The University of Surrey are currently recruiting for a part time project officer. For further information and details on how to apply, please use this link: 043625 Network Project Officer - Jobs at the University of Surrey.

School of Engineering, University of Surrey, UK

Email: c.leden@surrey.ac.uk www.surrey.ac.uk/gcare

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

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