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Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM MRS COLLINS and SANDFIELD CELEBRATIONS

Sandfield Primary School has been designated an Apple Distinguished School

Recognised for innovation, leadership, and educational excellence using technology



From 16th September 2025, Sandfield Primary School is pleased to announce it has been recognised as an Apple Distinguished School for the 2025–2028 program term. Schools apply and are selected for this distinction based on their commitment to continuous innovation in education and using Apple products to inspire, imagine, and impact teaching and learning.

Apple Distinguished Schools are centres of leadership and educational excellence, with a clear vision for how technology-rich environments support learning goals. In Apple Distinguished Schools, forward-thinking leaders and their communities work to inspire, imagine, and impact teaching and learning, and they have documented results of academic accomplishments.

Schools all over the world are using iPad and Mac to transform learning. As teachers incorporate technology into their lessons, they empower students to lead, learn, and thrive, to discover new opportunities, and to make their world a better place.

Sandfield School is proud to present its new video titled “Together With Technology.”

This short film highlights how digital tools are transforming learning by enhancing collaboration, creativity, and inclusion throughout our school community.

📺 Watch the video here: <https://youtu.be/rkC6TFS7CWU>



Curriculum Breakfast Briefings

The school year is now underway, and we are delighted to invite all our KS1 and KS2 families to the first school event of the year.

We will be hosting our KS1 & KS2 Breakfast Briefings.

KS1 - Tuesday 23rd September - 8:30am - 9:15am - school hall

KS2 - Thursday 25th September - 8:30am - 9:15am - school hall

This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a coffee and a croissant while meeting the teachers in your child's phase group. During the session, you'll learn who's who, the topics being taught, our approaches to reading, spelling, and maths, and other key information about the year ahead.

🔗 Please click this link to confirm your attendance: <https://forms.gle/FM1gqwW5U1uFMGWH4>

We look forward to welcoming you next week.

Parents Teacher Meetings

This year, Parent Teacher Meetings are being held on Tuesday 14th October and Thursday 16th October 2025 from 15:40-18:30. Please book your slots via your MCAS App on the Parents Evening Module.

Sandfield String Orchestra Play for the Mayor of Guildford

At the annual Civic Service held on 14 September 2025 at Holy Trinity and St Mary's Church in Guildford, the Sandfield School String Orchestra gave a special performance for the Mayor of Guildford, Howard Smith.

The orchestra, composed of talented Year 5 and 6 pupils, performed "Three Dance Pieces" arranged by Edward Huws Jones. This ensemble is part of the Royal Grammar School String Scheme, which is supported by the Cheryl King Foundation and the Humphrey Richardson Taylor Charitable Trust.

The Mayor praised the young musicians, highlighting their contribution to the theme of the service, "Improving Lives" and emphasised how their performance reflected the compassion, creativity, and collaboration within the Guildford community.

Special thanks to the wonderful staff at RGS for inspiring and teaching our school orchestra: Mr Chambers, Mr Lloyd-Wilson and Mr Callaghan and the Sandfield families who came along to support. A very proud moment for our school.



Have a great weekend everyone
Mrs Collins and all the Sandfield staff

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Children in Celebration Assembly today were:

Year 1: Prahathi and Danny

Year 2: Ben and Dylan Ho

Year 3: Florence and Archie

Year 4: Harrison and Luca HG

Year 5: Takondwa and Henry

Year 6: Teddy and Zainab



Well done to Sashant on an incredible season with Guildford Cricket Club and Surrey U10s! He's been awarded the club's **Most Improved Junior Player Award!**

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Reception Class

Reception had a brilliant first full week at school! The children embraced routines, made new friends, and filled each day with creativity—building a “floor is lava” course outside, playing doctors and performing shows for one another in our puppet theatre. It's been a joy to see them settle in so confidently. 😊

PE day for Reception Class is Monday – 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

Year 1 and Year 2 had a fantastic time during their history lesson this week! The children teamed up to uncover 20 fascinating clues about Queen Victoria. Their curiosity and teamwork paid off, as each pupil walked away with something interesting to share about this iconic monarch. A big well done to both year groups for successfully completing their historical mission—excellent work, historians in the making!

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

Year 3 & Year 4

The children have been immersing themselves in all things Stone Age across many areas of the curriculum. They are really enjoying being expressive in their indoor dance lessons whilst creating a Stone Age themed dance. They are practising listening to and moving to the beat in unison and developing co-ordination and teamwork skills. The children are showing lots of imagination and creativity too! Well done everyone!

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



Year 5 & Year 6

This week in our Physics unit, the children have been exploring the fascinating world of light and how it behaves when it passes through water. We've been investigating *refraction* - one of the highlights was watching an arrow appear to flip direction when viewed through a glass of water. The children were amazed to see how light bends and changes the way we see things. It sparked lots of curiosity and great questions!

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

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	FSM Pupils Amount	Deadline
Year 3 & 4	Butser Ancient Farm	£17.06	£7.00	22/09/2025
Year 5 & 6	Henley Fort WW 2 Experience	£22.92	£10.00	07/10/2025
Year 1 & 2	Haslemere Toy Museum	£15.42	£6.12	07/10/2025

PTA NEWS

Hi everyone!

Reminder! The **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 – we'd really love to see some new faces! 😊

Thanks!

Charlotte

COMMUNITY NEWS

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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