



# Sandgate Primary School

Everyone deserves the taste of success

# Newsletter

Issue 7

Friday 18th October 2019

Thank you to those of you who have completed and returned a parent survey; we really do value your feedback. Many of your ideas and suggestions from previous questionnaires have been implemented already. We have, amongst other things, altered arrangements for after school events to try and make them accessible to as many families as possible, added further life skills to our curriculum, planned alternative learning together events and changed many of the clubs we offer to the children. There is still time to fill one in before the results are analysed and shared with you.

The school has also received your feedback about the Big Draw event we held this week and it is overwhelmingly positive. It was extremely well-attended which created the community feel we value at Sandgate Primary; your support is very much appreciated by children and staff alike.

Amongst the trips, author visits, cooking (the school smells amazing) and theatre productions this term, we also held our first STEM day to promote science, technology, engineering and maths across the school. We were extremely fortunate to have the Royal Engineers with us for the day who taught the children all about building bridges and supported them in class as children designed and built bridges from cardboard with the aim of supporting a tin of beans. They were particularly impressed with the Truss Bridge designs being used by our Foundation Stage children. We will be holding another STEM day in term 3.

After such a busy term everyone has certainly earned a break so I hope you all have a wonderful break and look forward to seeing you next term.

**Mr Matthew Green, Headteacher**

## The Big Draw Festival People's Choice Award 2019!

If you would like to vote for our school to win the Big Draw Festival People's Choice Award, please go to: <http://www.thebigdraw.org/vote>

Our event name is:

### BIG DRAW WITH FAMILY

Art @ Sandgate Primary School • 16 Oct  
Drawn to life with parents and children - let's draw





### Six Ways to Wellbeing

Our focus on wellbeing continues this year and we'd like to kick things off with an activity that could link to four different areas of wellbeing: an autumnal walk. If you go for a walk during half-term you will, of course, be **being active**.

Whilst you're out and about, have a look at the things around you: what colours are the trees? What noises can you hear? **Take notice**. You might like to go on this walk with a special friend or family member, spending time **connecting** with them. You might also have some questions about some of the things you see on your walk, such as the names of different plants and animals: **keep learning**!

We continue to have a Six Ways to Wellbeing display board in every classroom, where we would love to display any photographs, drawings or writing that you might complete for this activity.

### CHRISTMAS PLAY DATES 2019

Foundation	Monday 9th December Tuesday 10th December	2.00pm 5.30pm
Year 1	Wednesday 4th December Thursday 5th December	2.00pm 6.00pm
Year 2	Thursday 5th December Monday 9th December	2.00pm 6.00pm
Year 3	Wednesday 11th December Thursday 12th December	2.00pm 6.00pm
Year 4	Tuesday 10th December Wednesday 11th December	2.00pm 6.00pm
Year 5	Tuesday 3rd December Wednesday 4th December	2.00pm 6.00pm



Panthers and Penguins took part in The Shepway Sports Multi Skills event at The Three Hills this week. They competed in various events testing their sporting skills and school values. Sixty children were put into teams of 10 and points were added to get a total team score. Three of our teams finished in the top 3! Thank you to the teachers and staff who accompanied the children to the event.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 1 - 6

#### Parent Consultations:

Monday 11th November  
Tuesday 12th November  
Letters will be sent home next term with more information on how to book your appointment.

#### Board Games

If anyone has any board games they no longer use and wishes to donate them for Board Games Club next term, we would very much appreciate them.

Thank you

### Applications to Secondary School for September 2019

Secondary Common Application Forms (Kent SCAF) must be completed by Thursday 31st October 2019. Appointments with Mrs Shoob are still available on Tuesday 29th October 2019 should you wish to discuss your child's secondary school options. Please contact the office if you wish to make an appointment.

The cost of school dinners for Term 2 2019 will be **£85.10**.

Please pay online at [www.eduspot.co.uk](http://www.eduspot.co.uk)

### STAR CLASSES FOR ATTENDANCE

The classes awarded for the best attendance are:

**EYFS/Key Stage 1: Panthers**

**Key Stage 2: Gorillas**

Here are the attendance figures for w/c 7th October 2019:

Bumblebees	92.0%	Butterflies	91.0%
Rabbits	97.3%	Owls	95.0%
Panthers	98.7%	Penguins	98.6%
Wolves	97.3%	Bears	98.7%
Seahorses	96.7%	Turtles	98.7%
Tigers	98.0%	Geckos	98.1%
Eagles	96.3%	Gorillas	99.4%

Congratulations to the following children who were rewarded in the Gold Book this week:

Sofia G (Rabbits)	Anton B M (Owls)
Ida D (Rabbits)	Charlotte W (Owls)
Megan L (Panthers)	Darcie M (Penguins)
Bobby M (Panthers)	Kirish S (Penguins)
Noah M (Bears)	Amber-Rose B (Wolves)
Archie J (Bears)	Harry K (Wolves)
Hollie J (Bears)	Gwen R (Seahorses)
Ewan L (Turtles)	Isla G (Seahorses)
Francesca S (Turtles)	Felicity B (Geckos)
Jess A (Tigers)	Freddie R (Geckos)
Betty R-R (Tigers)	Keira C (Gorillas)
Dion D (Eagles)	Raya W (Gorillas)
Emmerson L (Eagles)	

### Gold Book

MON 28th Oct	TUES 29th Oct	WED 30th Oct	THURS 31st Oct	FRI 1st Nov
<b>First Day of Term 2</b> Gymnastics: KS1 3.15 - 4.30pm KS2 4.30 - 5.30pm (Please contact High5 Sports on 07548294804) Lego Club 3.15 - 4pm Basketball Club 3.15 - 4.15pm Film Making Club 3.15 - 4.30pm	Lunchtime Football Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Lunchtime Board Games Club Lunchtime Russian Club Football Club 3.15 - 4.30pm Christmas Cookery Club 3.15 - 4.15pm Karate: 3.15 - 4.30pm (Please contact Sensei Trevor on 07966686377)	Years 3 & 4 Football 3.15 - 4.15pm Arts & Crafts Years 5&6 3.15 - 4.15pm Drama Club 3.15 - 4.15pm Running/Athletics Club 3.15 - 4.15pm	Year 2 Swimming Nature Club 3.15 - 4.00pm Arts & Crafts Years 1-4 3.15 - 4.15pm Computing Club 3.15 - 4.15pm Hockey (KS2) 3.15 - 4.30pm Dance Club: 3.15 - 4.15pm (Please contact Charley on 07772637271)	Year 5 Brass Lessons Lunchtime Football (KS1) Girls Football (KS2) 3.15 - 4.30pm PTA Cake Sale Year 1