



Sandgate Primary School

Everyone deserves the taste of success

Newsletter

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To see so many children leaving school yesterday excitedly telling family all about their new teaching team was pleasing and demonstrated how successful moving up day was. Although children were unable to visit their new classroom, spending time getting to know teachers and TAs was still very valuable and reassuring to them.

As we look ahead to the new academic year, I am delighted to be able to announce that we will be running weekly Forest School sessions from September. Mr Walterus is an experienced Forest School teacher who has put a lot of work into shaping and resourcing the sessions which all children will participate in over the course of the year. Each term, a different year group will spend one whole afternoon outside in the Forest School area learning new skills, participating in team building and building resilience, all of which will have a positive impact on their wellbeing.

There is still a lot of work to do getting things ready – including moving the fence to increase the size of the wooded area, installing a new fire pit and building a base camp – but it will be worth it in order to provide the children with this experience.

There will be further information sent out before we return in September.

Many of you will have seen letters sent by a few schools, which have gone viral on social media, regarding the Men's Euro 2020 final on Sunday night. Although Sandgate will not be releasing their own such letter, I do understand that some families will wish their children to watch the match, therefore I will leave it to you to decide on the significance you place on this event. If your child is going to be late into school on Monday please let us know as we still need to account for the whereabouts of all children meaning, that unless you have informed us, you will be getting a phone call on Monday morning. This is standard safeguarding practice and not a reaction by the school to any decision you may have made.

Gareth Southgate and Marcus Rashford are both included in next year's Sandgate Values album, not because of their success in the tournament, but because of the way they have used their voice and influence to address inequality and discrimination. If you do get the chance to speak to the children about this over the weekend or coming weeks, it will give them a strong foundation for the discussions we will be having in school from September.

Enjoy the weekend everyone ...is it coming home?

Best Wishes

Matthew Green

JOSEPH P TIGERS



Well done to the following children who were winners in the Rotary Writing Competition.

Junior District Winner - Joseph P -Tigers (submitted to nationals)

3rd Place District - Oakley N - Turtles

Area Runner Up - Felicity B - Eagles

Highly Commended - Jacob D - Tigers

Highly Commended - Elise M - Geckos

Sports day morning/afternoons have gone ahead albeit with the unpredictable weather causing some to be postponed. Fingers crossed Year 5 will get theirs next week!

Every participant completed a carousel of activities which tested both their strength, flexibility and coordination, followed by running races. The 'tug of war' was a firm favourite. Points were awarded and each class had a top scorer.

Bumblebees: Luke

Butterflies: Margarita

Rabbits: Salote

Owls: Reuben

Panthers: Eli

Penguins: Rose

Bears: Teddy H

Wolves: Holly

Seahorses: Elizabeth

Turtles: Florence

Eagles: Ellie

Gorillas: Sophie



Although COVID restrictions created disappointment for parents who could not spectate, this certainly did not dampen the excitement of the event.

Year 6 Diary Dates

*Thursday 15th July
Crazy Golf Tournament*

*Tuesday 20th July
Leavers' Assembly
One parent/carer can attend this event*

*Thursday 20th July
Leavers' Quiz and BBQ*

Gold Book

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

Felix K Rebecca B	Bumblebees Bumblebees	Bobby M Niamh C	Bears Bears
Scarlett S Teddy C	Butterflies Butterflies	Daniel S Rhea J Oliver W	Seahorses Seahorses
Mae F Madeleine	Rabbits Rabbits	Felix D Yusra R	Turtles Turtles
Buddy M Kyson-JaeH	Owls Owls	Max A Isla G	Geckos Geckos
Abraham E-M Alexander C	Penguins Penguins	Thea H Ewan L	Tigers Tigers
Angelina P Olive P	Panthers Panthers	Toby S Samuel N	Gorillas Gorillas
Harry S Layla-Grace S	Wolves Wolves	Felicity B Sophie J	Eagles Eagles