Sandgate Primary School

Everyone deserves the taste of success

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Welcome back after what I hope was an enjoyable Christmas break.

Term 3 sees our curriculum spotlight move from history to computing. Before the holiday, staff spent time refreshing their coding skills, tinkering with microbits and debugging programmes in preparation for what will be taught in classrooms. The school has invested in additional iPads, laptops, software, microbits and CPD to enable the computing curriculum to be taught to the best possible standard. I'd like to thank the Girls' School for their advice regarding the design of our learning sequences and for the loan of equipment. Collaborating with others allows the school to provide quality experiences and learning for both pupils and staff.

As well as acquiring knowledge, it is also important that we provide children with context by using real-life examples of how computing and technology is used in our daily lives. I am aware that many of our Sandgate families work in or have expertise in the IT sector and would welcome any opportunities you may be able to provide to the school which will engage the children and promote understanding of the innovative ways computing skills can be put to use.

The computing curriculum also allows the children to explore the principles of online safety in addition to the continuous work we do with them regarding staying safe online.

Staying on the subject of safety, we held a fire drill this morning and I want you all to know how exceptional the children were. They left their classrooms calmly, walked quietly to their allocated area, and stayed silent while registers were taken. Once complete, they returned back to class and carried on with their learning as if nothing had happened; well done to them all!

Best Wishes, Matthew Green

Admissions September 2022 Applications

If you have a child born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018, you need to apply for their place at a primary school.

> You will need to apply by midnight on <u>Monday 17th January 2022</u> online at <u>www.kent.gov.uk/ola</u>

Governors' Corner

The Governors would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year, and we look forward to working with you over the coming year.

<u>Gold Book</u>

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

Leo H Ottilie W	Bumblebees Bumblebees	T	Anton B-M Olive P	Bears Bears
Mia H Rainer W	Butterflies Butterflies		Severiano A-M Benjamin	Seahorses Seahorses
Caspian B Dylan B-H	Rabbits Rabbits	T	Jakob B Bobby M	Turtles Turtles
Eliana C Eddie P	Owls Owls		Polly B Harry K	Geckos Geckos
Louie M Frank P	Penguins Penguins	÷	Harry H Harmony S	Tigers Tigers
Wolfie W Logan W	Panthers Panthers	н	Elissa S Oscar D	Gorillas Gorillas
Sienna W Amelia D	Lions Lions		Gabriel A Marlowe H	Eagles Eagles

Monday 10th Jan	Tuesday 11th Jan	Wednesday 12th Jan	Thursday 13th Jan	Friday 14th Jan
Lunchtime Multi Sports Club Years 1 & 2 After School Football Club Years 5 & 6 3.15pm-4.15pm	Karate (Small Hall) 3.30pm-4.30pm (Please contact Sensei Trevor on 07966686377)		Dance Club 3.15pm-4.00pm (Please contact Charley on 07772 637271)	Lunchtime Football Club Years 3 & 4