



Sandgate Primary School

Everyone deserves the taste of success

Newsletter

Issue 17

Friday 24th January 2025

Monday 27th January	Tuesday 28th January	Wednesday 29th January	Thursday 30th January	Friday 31st January
<p>Singing Club, Yrs 1 & 2, 12.30pm-1.00pm</p> <p>Ball Games, Yrs 1 & 2, 12.30pm-1.00pm</p> <p>Ball Games, Yrs 3 & 4, 1.00pm-1.30pm</p> <p>Yoga Club, Years 1 & 2, 3.15pm-4.00pm</p> <p>Homework Club, KS1 & 2, 3.15pm-4.15pm</p> <p>Girls Football, Yrs 5 & 6, 3.15pm-4.15pm</p> <p>Choir (02) KS2, 3.15pm-4.15pm</p> <p>Gymnastics 3.15pm-4.15pm (Please contact: info@venturecamps.co.uk 07548 294804)</p>	<p>Karate 3.30pm-4.30pm (Please contact Sensei Trevor on 07966686377)</p>	<p>Rocksteady PM</p> <p>Scratch Club, Yrs 5 & 6, 1.00pm-1.30pm</p>	<p>Pokemon Cards Club, KS2, 1.00pm-1.30pm</p> <p>Ball Games, Yrs 5 & 6, 1.00pm-1.30pm</p> <p>Lego Club, Yrs 1 & 2, 3.15pm-4.00pm</p> <p>Invite Only Football Club, 3.15pm-4.15pm</p> <p>Dance Club 3.15pm-4.00pm. Year 1—Year 6 (Please contact Charley on 07772 637271) <i>If there is someone else collecting your child from Dance Club, please inform Charley directly.</i></p>	

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 28th January: PTA Meeting at 7.30pm

Wednesday 29th January: MTC Workshop for Year 4 Parents in the main hall at 5.30pm, please book via link on letter sent.

Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th, Thursday 6th February: Year 4 Arithmetic Sessions for parents, please book via link on letter sent.

Friday 7th February: Reports to Parents.

Monday 10th February: Parent Consultations 3.30pm-7.00pm. Letter to follow.

Thursday 13th February: Parent Consultations 3.30pm-5.00pm. Letter to follow.

Thursday 13th February: Last day of Term 3 for children.

Friday 14th February: Staff Development Day.



Gold Book

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

Genevieve Monty	Bumblebees Bumblebees	Flora Josh	Lions Lions
Joe Isabelle	Ladybirds Ladybirds	Nna Indie	Seahorses Seahorses
Joseph Chloe	Owls Owls	Bella Dylan Henry	Turtles Turtles Turtles
Frankie Alfie	Rabbits Rabbits	Stanley Louie Reuben	Rhinos Rhinos Rhinos
Aayan Lottie	Penguins Penguins	Rose Mary	Hippos Hippos
Lily Loxley	Panthers Panthers	Toby Anton	Gorillas Gorillas
Indie Henry	Bears Bears	Isla Rose	Eagles Eagles

On the desk

"Glue-stick!" I shouted. "Wait up!"

This was my favourite time: night. We could play tag on our desk, do cartwheels until we get dizzy or even watch a movie on the board! The time we hated the most was day. Our owner Ben always had sweaty hands and made silly noises. Even at the break, the teacher scrolls on her laptop.

I realised I had just let glue-stick find a good hiding spot while I was daydreaming or, since it was night, nightdreaming. Then, I spotted a green thing sticking out behind a pile of dictionaries. Creeping up to come and tag him, the clock struck twelve. Yes! Glue-stick pounced out behind the books.

"Woo-hoo!" He screamed. We had made an arrangement with all the other stationery that we would have a party at midnight on the 2nd of June to celebrate the pen of Emma's birthday. Only she did not know.

"Green pen, did you get the cake?" asked Scissors.

"Yep!" I replied. "Strawberry and Caramel!" Everyone was handling their presents into a box and I carefully placed the cake onto the desk. Scissors and Peter's rubber were doing rock, paper, scissors to decide who would open Emma's tray. "Rock, paper, scissors, shoot!" Scissors won but nobody thought either would be good for the job, so Leah's ruler opened it instead. She hopped over to Emma's tray and slightly opened it. It creaked but then the creak turned into... HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

We all shouted very loudly.

"Ya'll, thank you!" Emma's pen replied with an accent since Emma was Scottish and her pen copied her. Everyone chanted the birthday song while Emma's pen did hopscotch in the spot, just like Emma did, and laughed as we carried on singing. Afterwards, we sat down for a feast of pizza, sandwiches, juice and a lot more.

Emma's pen blew out the candles and we all cheered but then she started hopscotching again. I turned around to check the time but then, in the corner of my eye, I spotted something reddish-brownish on the teacher's desk. The teacher's laptop! I looked back and saw everyone else staring at it. We all got in a huddle and agreed to eat the cake. So three or four pieces of stationery hopped over to the teacher's desk and started munching their way along. Sam's highlighter, who wrote down his thoughts everywhere, even in the most ridiculous places, as soon as he saw the laptop, started typing on the teacher's account.

In the morning, Mrs Appling was in the middle of making maths tests, when a ping came out of her laptop. It was a rather strange message from the headteacher "How could you eat cake without me?" Mrs Appling had to have a meeting with the Head. "This is the first time I hear about a cake. Someone must have broken in!" They phoned a detective, and they searched for fingerprints but there were none and we both know why...



Congratulations to Alice from Gorillas, her story has made it through to the next stage of the BBC 500 Words Competition. A huge well done to Alice!

Next Gen Sports Coaching Raffle!

Harry is hoping to 2 Football teams who will be attending a Football Tour in Barcelona.

Raffle tickets will be available from the School Office at £1 per strip.



KCC Job Vacancy

Road Crossing Patrol at Sandgate Primary School

If you know anyone who would like to apply for the role of Road Crossing Patrol the details can be located on the KCC Jobs website and can be found via the link below:

<https://recruitmenthub.solutions/members/modules/job/detail.php?record=12181>

Players Wanted



Hawkinge Ladies Recreational

Kent Futsal

Training every Wednesday League

7-8pm

Fun, friendly ladies



CONTACT DETAILS

07872915883

hawkingeladies@hotmail.com

Three Hills Sports Centre
Folkestone

No experience needed - whether you are a beginner or used to play, everyone is welcome. Qualified coaches All ages welcome

SIX TOP TIPS

For Parents To Keep Your Children Safe Online

SafeguardED

Most parents & carers think their children and young people spend too much time on devices. **DON'T FEEL BAD!** Lots of it is perfectly healthy anyway. Instead, follow these tips to keep them safe, happy and healthy.

Don't worry about screen time; aim for screen quality

Scrolling through social media isn't the same as making a film or story, or video calling Grandma. Use the Children's Commissioner's 'Digital Five A Day' to plan or review each day together.



Check the safety settings are turned on

Whether it's your home internet, mobile devices, consoles, apps or games, there are lots of settings to make them safer. The key ones are - can they chat to strangers, can they video chat or 'go live', are their posts public? What about safe search and Youtube? See parentsafe.lgfl.net for more.



Get your children to show you their apps and games

You don't need to know all about the latest app or game, but if your child shows you what they are doing and with whom, you'll probably see if it's appropriate or not. Remember 18 games are not more advanced - they are harmful to children! For parent guides to apps, including recommendations for kidsafe apps and video platforms, search for **Common Sense Media** reviews.



Don't try to hide news about scary things in the news

If you don't talk about it, your children might read inappropriate pages, believe scare stories or simply catastrophise in their heads. Why not watch **Newsround** together and talk about how they feel - there is guidance from **Childline** to help you.



Remind them of key online safety principles

There are too many to list, but remember human behaviour is the same online and offline. Remind your children to be a good friend, to ask for help if they are worried or if someone is mean, not to get undressed on camera and most important of all... if somebody tells them not to tell or ask for help because it's too late or they will get in trouble, **THAT'S A LIE!**

If you aren't sure, ASK!

Your school may be able to give you advice, but there are plenty of other places to ask for help as a parent or a child, whether it is advice or help to fix something. Lots of sites are listed at reporting.lgfl.net, including ones to tell your kids about (they might not want to talk to you in the first instance).

