# Sandgate Primary School

Everyone deserves the taste of success

# Newsletter

Happy half term and what a term it has been!

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Writing Together Event. It was fantastic to see so many families working alongside their children and sharing in their learning. Events such as these strengthen the partnership between home and school and demonstrate the value we all place on developing confident, enthusiastic writers.

This term, our newly appointed Year 6 Digital Leaders have begun their roles with great enthusiasm. Rafe, Leo, Freyja and Theo have already shown impressive commitment to supporting digital learning across the school. We are particularly proud of the online safety poster they have created, which you will find later in this newsletter. Their work highlights the importance of staying safe online and helping others make sensible choices when using technology.

Our Values Ambassadors have also settled extremely well into their new leadership roles. They are doing an excellent job representing our school values and acting as role models for younger pupils.

Next term, they will take on an important responsibility as they help to shortlist and select the charity we will support during the Christmas period and through our Christmas performances. We are looking forward to hearing their ideas and seeing them lead this work on behalf of our school community.

I would also like to take a moment to personally thank all our parents and carers for the support you have shown me over the last year whilst I have served as Acting Headteacher.

On Tuesday I was incredibly proud and humbled to be appointed as the Headteacher of Sandgate Primary School. Having worked here for 22 years, beginning my career as a newly qualified Reception teacher, it is a real privilege to be entrusted with leading the school that has been such an important part of my professional life.

My vision as Headteacher is not simply to maintain the many successes we have celebrated this year, but to ensure that under my leadership we continue to innovate, inspire and transform the lives of the pupils in our care.

We will continue to create a school where excellence is the norm, opportunities are available to all, and every child leaves us at the end of Year 6 with the knowledge, character and confidence to flourish in an ever-changing world.

I am also delighted to announce that Mr Andrew Langley will be joining the school's leadership team as Assistant Headteacher. Mr Langley brings a wealth of experience, having taught at Sandgate Primary 9 years ago before becoming Deputy Headteacher and then Headteacher of another local primary school. Mr Langley will join us in January, and we are all extremely excited about the opportunities this will bring for our school. Mr Langley will be teaching for two days a week and leading on Climate Action and Sustainability across the school as well as driving forwards teaching and learning and school improvement alongside the current leadership team.
What exciting times lie ahead for Sandgate Primary School.

Thank you once again for your continued support, encouragement and partnership. Together, we make Sandgate a very special place for children to learn and thrive.
I wish you all a restful, enjoyable and well-deserved half-term break, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back next term.

Best wishes,

Lianne Jones
Headteacher

## Dates for your Diary

**Friday 23rd October: End of Term 1.**
**Monday 2nd November: Staff Development Day.**
**Tuesday 3rd November: First day of Term 2 for children.**
**Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 5th November: Open Day, Admissions 2027, 1.30pm-2.30pm**
**Wednesday 4th and Friday 6th November: Open Day, Admissions 2027, 9.30am-10.30pm**
**Tuesday 10th November: Parent Teacher Consultations, 3.30pm-7.00pm**
**Wednesday 11th November: Parent Teacher Consultations, 3.30pm-5.00pm**
**Wednesday 11th November: PTA Meeting, 2.15pm.**

## Gold Book

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

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| Ada | Bumblebees |
| Joey | Bumblebees |
| Pebbles | Ladybirds |
| Rodion | Ladybirds |
| Grayson | Owls |
| Jonas | Owls |
| Harrison | Rabbits |
| Izzy-Rose | Rabbits |
| Aayansh | Panthers |
| Celeste | Panthers |
| Maya | Penguins |
| Sophie | Penguins |
| Thomas | Penguins |
| April | Bears |
| Isabel | Bears |
| Arabella | Lions |
| Beatrix | Lions |
| Isabella | Seahorses |
| Sammy | Seahorses |
| Zimuzo | Turtles |
| Grayson | Turtles |
| Monty | Turtles |
| Charlie | Hippos |
| Aron | Hippos |
| Henry | Hippos |
| Myer | Rhinos |
| Joey | Rhinos |
| Isla | Eagles |
| Olivia | Eagles |
| Bodhi | Gorillas |
| Bobbie | Gorillas |

**PE, Term 2**

**Monday, EYFS, Years 1, 2 & 5**
**Tuesday, Years 3 & 6**
**Wednesday, Years 1 & 5**
**Thursday, Years 3 & 4**
**Friday, EYFS, Years 2 & 6**





## Christmas Performances: Save the Date

*Tickets will be sent home nearer the performances. Three people (anyone requiring a seat) will be able to attend per child.*

| Year Group | Date | Time |
|---|---|---|
| Year 1 - Christmas Carol Concert | Monday 7th December | 2.15pm |
| Year 2 - Christmas Play | Tuesday 8th December | 2.15pm |
| Year 3 - Christmas Carol Concert | Wednesday 9th December | 2.15pm |
| Year 4 - Christmas Play | Thursday 10th December | 2.15pm |
| Year 5 - Christmas Carol Concert | Monday 14th December | 2.15pm |
| EYFS - Christmas Play Nativity | Tuesday 15th December | 2.15pm |






## Forest School in Term 2 for Year 4

**Mondays, Turtles, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th November, 7th December**

**Tuesdays, Seahorses, 10th, 17th, 24th, November, 1st, 8th December**

## Football Results

**Well done to the boys with a result of Sandgate 3 - Churchill 0**

The PTA raised £165 at the Bingo this week, with over 60 people enjoying a chaotic hour of fun. Thank you to everyone who came, and please keep an eye out for more exciting events

| Monday 2nd November | Tuesday 3rd November | Wednesday 4th November | Thursday 5th November | Friday 6th November |
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| **Staff Development Day** | **Karate, 3.30pm-4.30pm (Please contact Sensei Trevor on 07966686377)** | **Rocksteady PM**<br>**Gymnastics 3.15pm-4.15pm (Please contact: info@venturecamps.co. uk 07548 294804)**<br>**Yoga 3.15 –4.10 www.cheekymono.co.uk/book/online**<br>**Next Gen Football Club, 3.15pm-4.15pm. NEXTGENERATIONSPORTS COACHING.ORG** | **Rocksteady PM**<br>**Dance Club 3.15pm-4.00pm. Year 1—Year 6 (Please contact Charley on 07772 637271)**<br>***If there is someone else collecting your child from Dance Club, please inform Charley directly.*** | **Bilinguasing French Club, Lunchtime. charlotte@bilinguasing.com** |

# Marvellous Me Top Badge Earners

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded the highest number of Marvellous Me badges in their class this term. They will enjoy an afternoon tea party with Mrs Jones and Mrs Shoob on Thursday 5th November.

Bumblebees – Sebastian

Ladybirds – Cassius

Owls – Gabriel

Rabbits – Murphy

Panthers – Elsie and Holly

Penguins – Sophie

Lions – Marcie

Bears – Ronda-Ray

Seahorses – Alessia

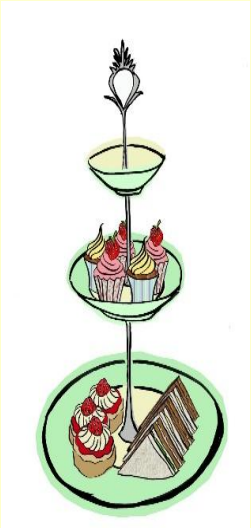
Turtles – Ophelia and Husna

Hippos – Myla

Rhinos – Caleb

Eagles – Abbey

Gorillas – Maivie-Rae



The top scoring class, who were awarded 1035 badges this term, is the TURTLES. They voted to visit the Marvellous Me Swap Shop and spent their reward tokens today.

**Our Year 6 Digital Leaders have already begun their role on sharing how to stay safe online. Rafe, Leo, Freyja and Theo are looking forward to helping promote the positive, safe and effective use of technology across the school. They have created this poster to be shared at home.**



These clubs are outside providers and are not run by the school. Please contact them directly for information on bookings and payments.

