



# SANDRIDGE WEEKLY NEWS



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019

The attendance winners  
for this week are  
Year 4 with 97.6%



Number of lates in each class this week:

Year 5  
Reception, Years 1, 3 & 4  
Years 2 & 6

No lates – well done!  
2 lates  
3 lates



## 'Head'lines (Miss Lisa Roberts, Headteacher)

This week our new website has gone 'live'!

We hope that you will find it easier to navigate around and enjoy browsing the site and its many pages. There are still a few minor tweaks to make here and there but we did not want to delay launching it any longer.

Huge thanks must go to former governor, Richard King, and his colleagues at Guidant Global who have re-designed the site and carried out all the work on this as well as co-ordinating the project. This has been done for free as part of the company's charity programme. We are extremely grateful and delighted with the end product.

We hope you like it as much as we do!

<http://www.sandridge.herts.sch.uk/>

You should also receive a letter alongside the newsletter this week about the launch of a new 'parent forum'. We hope this new forum will further develop our communication with you and enable you to understand and actively support the school's decision-making.

We would like two parent representatives per class (one for our small Nursery class) who will be able to represent fully the views of all parents within that class.

The letter explains the process more fully, though if you have any questions please speak to myself or Andy Boxer, Chair of Governors.

If you are interested in nominating yourself as 'class rep' please complete and return the reply slip by next Friday.

We look forward to some productive and informative meetings.

Have a great weekend – wrap up warm! ☺

## Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is national Anti-Bullying Week and the theme this year is 'Change starts with us'.

The NSPCC are coming in to do an assembly on Monday afternoon and will do follow up workshops in Y5/Y6 the following week.

Each day, every class will do at least one activity linked to Anti-Bullying Week as well as join in with a wide range of games and activities on the playground that the School Council have planned and will set up and run.

In order to celebrate our 'uniqueness', we will be having an '**Odd Socks Day**' on Tuesday.

Apart from odd socks, all children should come to school in normal school uniform.

Look out for a report on this in next week's newsletter.



## Photographs

Photograph proofs went home with children this week. The deadline for Early Bird discount orders is 21<sup>st</sup> November.



## Nasal Flu Immunisation

Children in Reception to Year 6

The flu immunisation will take place on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

If you have not yet returned the consent form, it is not too late.

## School Stationery

Some of the children's pens are running out now (it's all that hard work they're doing!) so it seems a good opportunity to remind everyone that children can buy new stationery from Mrs Fowle, at any time – they don't have to wait for the "shop" to open.

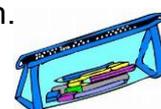


30cm ruler – 30p  
coloured pencils – £1.30  
glue stick – 40p  
green pen – 20p  
highlighter – 25p  
pen – £1.35



The prices for individual items are as follows:

pen refill – 60p  
pencil – 15p  
pencil case – 80p  
sharpener – 25p  
stickers (x 25) – 5p  
whiteboard pen – 45p



full pencil case  
KS1 – £4

full pencil case  
KS2 – £6

## PTA News

**Wreath Making Evening – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 7pm to 9pm**



There are still places available for our Wreath Making Evening. Tickets are £25 per person, which also includes refreshments, and are available to buy online – see link below (or speak to a member of the PTA or the school office).

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sandridgeschoolpta/index.cfm?event=Shop#.XW93XSXTWEe>

**Winter Fair – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 3-6pm**



There will be a **non-school uniform day** in return for a bottle for the bottle tombola at the Winter Fair next **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**.

We will again be holding our **Bake Off** competition at the Christmas Fair – watch this space for further details!

Please keep selling your **raffle tickets**! Stubbs and cash can be dropped into the school office at any time. If you need any extra tickets, please ask.

## Christmas Trees

We will be selling Christmas Trees again this year – so please don't buy yours until you've checked our prices! Details to follow soon.



## Year 6 History Dress-Up Day

When I walked in this morning, I felt like I was jammed in a time machine. My first sight was Amin who was wearing a fake beard. He gave me a fright because it looked so real!

When we were looking in the books in the morning, I noticed that the 1960s was hugely focused on fashion. My favourite fact was that women stained their legs to look like they were wearing tights.

After assembly, we told our buddies all about who we were dressed up as and what that person did. When we had finished we went outside to take a timeline photo; you could really see how fashion had changed over time.

When we came back in, we had to figure out which time periods the teachers were dressed up as. To do this we had to research clothing in the selection of books we were given at the start of the day.

We had to write about what we had come as and what that person did in history. Later on, we showed each other our presentations.

The costumes really helped me understand how fashion developed.

By Lulu



## The Borrowers



Year 6 children have made "Borrowers" houses and written their own stories based on "The Borrowers". They shared these stories with their Reception buddies. Doing this provides a purpose for their writing and helps them practice their reading fluency. Children in Reception love meeting with their buddies and were very good listeners!



## Sporting News

### Cross-County

After school on Thursday, our cross-country team competed in the third inter-school match of the season at Wheatfields School. Both girls' and boys' teams were successful and our results have continued to improve each time.

Due to experience, we are getting better at running tactically and have learned to pace ourselves to give us a better chance over the full distance.

Our top two runners were Edward who came 5<sup>th</sup> out of a field of 50 in the boys' race and Aishah who finished 11<sup>th</sup> in the girls' race.

### Phenomenal Phonics awards this week go to:

Year 2: James  
Year 1: Andrew  
Recep: Sadie



### This week's awards for Star Writer go to:

Year 6: Lulu  
Year 5: Salma  
Year 4: Bella  
Year 3: Lacey

Year 2: Abigail  
Year 1: Arisha  
Recep: Isla



## REPS Certificates (**R**espect, **E**quality, **P**erseverance, **S**elf-belief)



Having the confidence to share his thinking more regularly and always showing respect to others: Tom

Persevering with her handwriting and presentation: Sorcha

Showing great self-belief during our flower painting: Sophie M

Persevering when creating pixel art work in computing this week: Nathan W

Knowing when his work wasn't his best and believing he could produce better: Henry

Making a fantastic effort in lessons and persevering even when finding it challenging: Sayfoddine

Demonstrating perseverance to complete his map this week- well done! Aaron C

## Certificates of Merit



Demonstrating excellent listening skills and engaging fully in all lessons: Jack C

Working incredibly hard this week and challenging himself more in maths: Oliver P

Making a huge effort to join his handwriting: Kenny

Creating a lovely piece of pixel art in computing this week: Noah P-K

Working incredibly hard on his maths using arrays to solve tricky multiplication problems: Noah H

Being a fantastic learning partner and role model: Reagan

Really persevering to complete his Diwali story map: Oliver P

Nursery Superstar Award for showing enthusiasm with new situations: Harrison

## Sporting Certificates



Running your socks off in the Daily Mile and really improving your speed and stamina! Amin

Excellent netball skills this week: Kara

Excellent technique and dribbling skills in basketball: Tommy

Showing co-ordination in PE this week when catching and throwing a basketball: Leila

Being a great team player in hockey: Olivia L

Performing our King Louie dance beautifully: Elsie-Rose

Working hard to dance rhythmically to the firework music this week: Albie