



# SANDRIDGE WEEKLY NEWS



♥ Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020 ♥

**The attendance winners  
for this week are  
Reception with 98.8%**



**Number of lates in each class this week:**

Reception, Year 3	1 late
Year 1, Year 2, Year 6	2 lates
Year 4, Year 5	3 lates



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

It was great to see so many of you at this week's parents evening meetings. We had lots of very positive feedback on progress in children's books and on our pastoral provision – thank you. As always, if you could not make an appointment this week but still wish to talk with your child's teacher, please make an appointment for after half-term via the school office.

We were delighted to have Monika from Amey in to school on Monday to talk to us all about recycling. See below for further details of what we are going to be doing to play our part in helping the environment and looking after the planet.

Today, Richard Maskrey was in delivering our annual eSafety workshops to children from Nursery to Year 6.

Interestingly, lots of children spoke about playing computer games and accessing sites online that are not age-appropriate. Whilst we cannot tell you what your child can and can't do online or whilst using games consoles; we can say that, very often, the content of such activity will often come out in an inappropriate way either in friendships out on the playground or in a child's behaviour (socially and/or emotionally). There was a minimal turnout for the parent workshop this afternoon. We would always advise that you pay close attention to your child's online activity and ensure what they are accessing is appropriate for their age...you never know what they could be watching or who they could be chatting to behind closed doors.

Have a great weekend and a fantastic half-term break ☺

## **Breakfast Club**

**From Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February (after half-term) Breakfast Club will start at 7.30am.**

**There will be no price increase, for now, so sessions will remain at £3 per child.**

All bookings and payments are made via School Gateway.  
Thank you.

## **Thank you!**

Mrs Dunlop would like to say thank you to everyone who donated coats and shoes for her to take to the school in London. The staff there were delighted and said that being able to give warm clothing to children who come from very deprived backgrounds makes a huge difference to them. Thank you.

## Spaghetti Maths – New After School Club!

At Tuesday morning's assembly, Maisy from Spaghetti Maths gave the children a demonstration of their after school club which will be running here next half term.

The club will take place in Year 5 on Wednesdays and costs £39 for 6 sessions.

Please sign up online if your child would like to take part:

<https://www.spaghettimaths.co.uk/select-course/>



## Recycling at Sandridge

On Monday, Monika Koziara came from a company called Amey to share the message about recycling with us. We listened, asked questions and answered questions about recycling.

We talked about what we can recycle. Noah said “cardboard and plastic bottles”. We can also recycle glass and paper. We learned that there were 50 kinds of plastics, both soft and hard. If it is soft and you can scrunch it up, it is poor quality, single use plastic that will go into general waste and ultimately into landfill sites. Monika held up some glass and asked how long we thought it took to break down. Someone answered 1 million years, which was a good guess because it lasts forever!

We talked about what we can make from recycled materials. Sam said we could recycle food to make compost! Some other ideas we had were: water bottles, floats in a swimming pool, Lego, lights and even clothes! Monika looked at the materials in Oattie's school cardigan and it was made from 65% polyester (which is plastic) and 35% cotton. Evie said that in her family they re-use the bag that their bread comes in for something else.

The main message was **Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**, although, one Year 6 child very wisely said “to be honest we have to stop using things in the first place”

After our assembly, Monika gave a workshop to Year 3 and Year 5. She gave them different (clean!) items and asked them to sort them into different recycling boxes. They used a magnet to see what metals were magnetic and what could be recycled. Year 5 asked lots of questions about how Sandridge School could be eco-friendly and how that impacted on the environment.

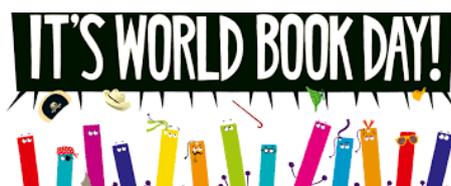
We will be taking on board her ideas and are developing our own Eco-Council. We have made a start by purchasing recycling bins for each classroom – watch this space for an update!



## World Book Day and Dress Up Day – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

World Book Day is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. We will be celebrating by having a dress up day for children and staff! Children are invited to come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book (they do not need to bring in £1). Please don't spend money on fancy dress clothes – homemade costumes are often the best!

We will again be running our **Book Swap**. Please encourage your children to have a sort out of their books over half term! It would be helpful if each child could bring in a book to swap with children of a similar age group to themselves. That way, we don't end up with loads of picture books for the younger years and not enough for our older readers. Thank you!



### Basketball Competition

On the basketball trip this Thursday, eight of our Year 6 members (Lulu, Freya, Lucas, Adam, Aishah, Amelie, Edward and Joshua) took part in three 8-minute matches. For the first match, 2 girls and 2 boys started and halfway through we switched players. After the first match, everybody participated in the skill test. This skill test gave us practise when dodging players and passing. Overall, we scored 3 goals.

by Joshua and Edward



### Individual Points

*Children with 25 points  
receive a pencil:*

Isla, Oliver, William, Abigail H

Phenomenal Phonics awards this  
week go to:

Year 2: Indiah  
Year 1: Kai  
Recep: Eve



This week's awards for  
Star Writer go to:

Year 6: Martha  
Year 5: Sorcha  
Year 4: Elsie

Year 3: Noah  
Year 2: Alex  
Recep: Malak



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



Knocking our socks off with her focus and stamina in writing! **Otti**

Trying so hard in Extended Writing this week and believing that he can do it! **Charlie**

Showing perseverance and self-belief this week in maths: **Noah H**

Showing great perseverance and self-belief in all areas of your learning. You are always challenging yourself and wanting to improve your work: **Keenan**

Showing great perseverance and determination to complete and challenge herself in every piece of work she does: **Elizabeth**

Always putting 100% effort into all lessons and persevering no matter how tricky! **Talya**

Working hard to show respect to all and making sure no one is left out: **Molly D**

## Certificates of Merit



Nursery Superstar Award for writing her name and surname: **Hadley**

Working so hard all week in all her learning: **Sadie**

Making such a clever money game at home to play with his friends: **Oscar L**

Taking such care in his collage in art: **Thomas**

Having such a confident singing voice and clapping the rhythm of a nursery rhyme perfectly in music: **Amy B**

Showing great enthusiasm in your learning and contributing to class discussions: **Elsie T**

Improved results in his spelling tests: **Zacarie**

Expressive and well-punctuated reading during Guided Reading sessions: **Griff**

Demonstrating lovely listening skills and showing she is ready to learn: **Aishah**

## Sporting Certificates



Trying really hard with throwing and catching a ball: **Anas**

Being a great team player and scoring 2 amazing goals in football this week: **Spencer**

Showing great passing and catching skills in our basketball games: **Marius**

Showing a great improvement in hockey over the half term. You are showing much better control: **Lacey**

Beautifully controlled routine in gymnastics: **Lucia**

Excellent, precise skills and routines during gymnastics: **Chloe S**

Good positioning and awareness of tactics at the basketball competition this week - Mr Robbins was impressed! **Lulu**