SANDRIDGE WEEKLY NEWS

Friday 11th July 2025

The attendance winners for this week are 4 with 99.3%



Number of late in each class this week:

No lates	**Year 1, Year 6**
1 late	**Year 4**
2 lates	**Reception, Year 3**
4 lates	**Year 5**
5 lates	**Year 2**



‘Head’lines (Miss Lisa Roberts, Headteacher)

We started this week very energetically with some Boogie Bounce workshops (see below for a write-up). Thank you to Miss Everall for organising yet another brilliant workshop that allowed children to experience something a little different to the activities that form part of the P.E and Sports curriculum. It was exhausting just watching!

Thank you to everyone who attended Wednesday’s Open Classroom event. There was a great atmosphere in every classroom and in our Art & Design Technology exhibition in the hall (something new, this year, to enable you to see the breadth of the curriculum in these areas). The school is looking lovely with everyone’s art on display in the public areas and children are feeling very pleased and proud of their work.

Yesterday, children spent an hour with their new teacher whilst our Y6s were at their secondary schools. Everyone was still smiling (including the staff) at the end of the session!
Our new families also came along and got to know each other whilst their children spent some time in Early Years.

As we head into the last week and a half of the academic year, there is still a lot to fit in.
We have our KS2 Talent Show next Wednesday 5:00-7:00p.m and, the following day, we have the Rock Steady concert for those of you whose children do this club. We hope to see you there.

Finally, Year 6 received their SATs results this week. We are over the moon with the results – we are particularly happy with the percentages of children achieving Greater Depth in Reading, Writing and Maths which are significantly higher than last year’s national measures. Well done to Mrs Hunt, Mr Riley and Miss Roberts and well done to Year 6 – we are so proud of you.

In the meantime, have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine!



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Our Summer Fair went off with a colourful bang!

Thanks to all of you for your contributions and help running the event. A huge amount of fun was had by all and we raised over £4500 with a profit of over £3000.

The rain held off for most of it, which was a miracle. Please do let us know your thoughts about how we can make it better next year.

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Boogie Bounce!

On Wednesday 7th July, every class had the opportunity to dance on the trampolines! Everyone had their own trampoline and copied the experienced instructor, Angela, at the front. We got to do cool tricks and movements with music in the background. We are sure everyone had a smile on their faces when jumping. Everyone gave it their all and after our workout we were all left panting! Thank you to Angela and also to Miss Everall for organising.

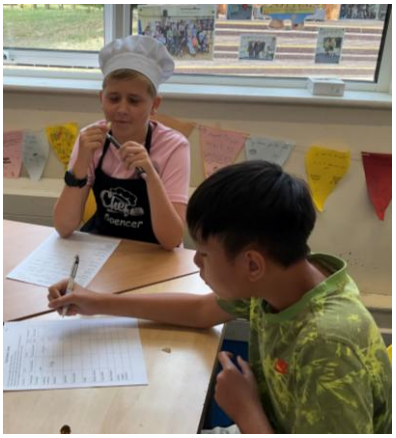
by Albert and Harry






Year 6

Last Friday, Year 6 took on the next stage of their salad development. They embarked on a tasting journey that challenged their palates and highlighted the class's salad preferences. They began by trying a range of vegetables – not many were popular! Students had to describe the taste, texture and consider if they liked it. Year 6 also had a challenge of identifying a dish the item could go in. Olives and rocket were a crowd splitter while croutons proved most popular. After the taste test, the class had a challenge – working out the ingredients in a salad dressing. They weren't told the name of the sauce but had to use their tastebuds to work out what was in it.





Year 5

For our optional homework, designed to complement our learning in geography on South America, the class were given the task of producing some work about the Amazonian Rainforest. As you can see, the pupils produced a variety of work. Some created fact sheets or booklets, others designed information posters and others made models using a range of different materials. We enjoyed sharing our work and were intrigued by many of the facts that were discovered (for example: Did you know that there are 7,000 varieties of butterfly found in the Amazon Rainforest?).

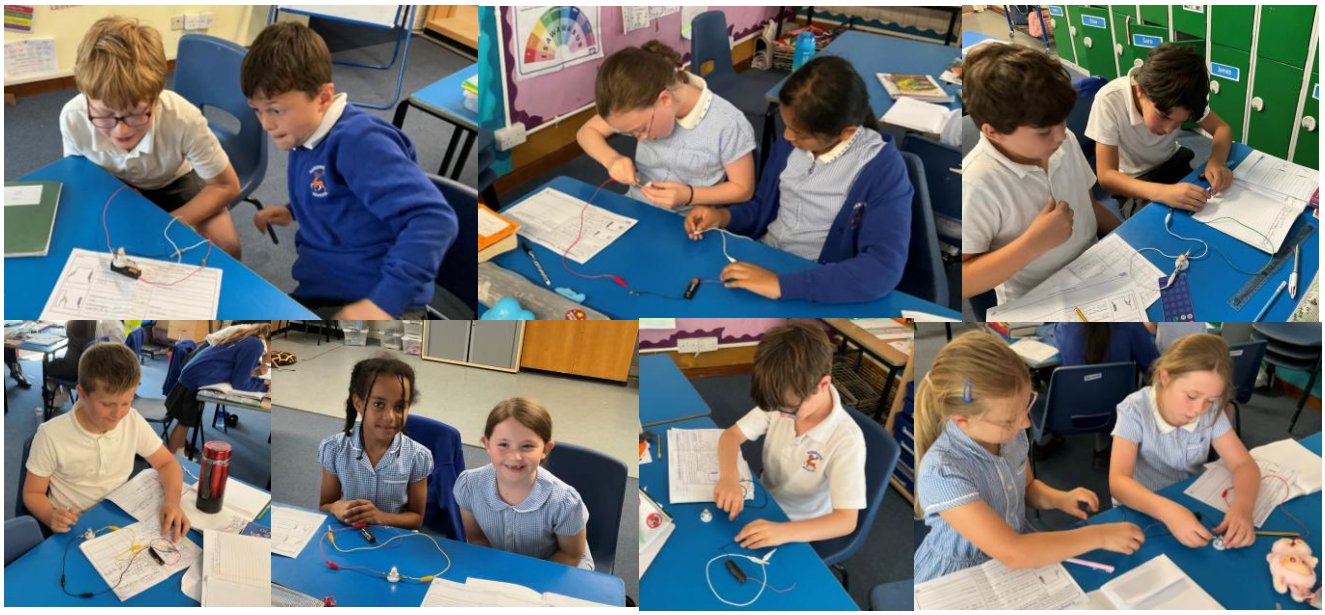






Year 4

In Science, we have been learning about electricity. Last week, we learnt about the different components to make circuits and tested how to create a series circuit. This week, we had to predict whether the circuits, in the given images, would be complete or incomplete circuits and the reasons why. Examples of an incomplete circuit might have been: the wires were not connected accurately or there was no cell in the circuit. We then had to test the circuits using the electrical equipment and conclude whether they were complete or incomplete, linking back to our predictions.



Year 3

This week we finished making our clay plants. We began the project in Science lessons where we learnt about the parts of a plant and the purpose of each feature. We then used this information to 'discover' a new species that we made up ourselves. When we had worked out what the plant looked like, what climate it lives in, how it is pollinated and what seed dispersal method it used, we made the plants out of clay and painted them. We had so much fun and are incredibly proud of our results!



Year 2

In PE we have been learning about striking and fielding games and have developed skills such as; throwing, catching, fielding, batting and stumping. We have had lots of fun learning how to play games in teams and taking on different roles when being backstop, bowler, batter and fielders. This week we put all our skills together and played a game similar to rounders. It was so much fun and we were all able to apply the skills that we have learnt.






Year 1

On Wednesday morning we finished our DT unit and made our smoothies. We used our recipe and then cut and juiced our chosen fruits. We then put them into a jug and used a hand blender to blend it down. We also designed a label to go on our smoothie cup.
During the open classroom we tasted our smoothies with our grown-ups.
There was a mixed reaction to the taste of them!









Reception

We really enjoyed our boogie bounce workshop on Monday!






We also enjoyed having one last read on the bus as Reception with our buddies and parents who could come.






We have enjoyed learning about people who help us and dressed up as a few!






This is what we knew about ‘people who help’:

“Cleaners help you clean your house and school.” Mae
“Teachers…they help you learn.” Harrison
“Police…they catch baddies and if someone is lost, they find them.” Hugo
.“When someone has died the ambulance takes them.” Elliot
“Optician…they help you with your eyes if you need glasses.” Mia
“Doctor…if we get sick a doctor will help us get better.” Avraaj
“Paramedics…they help sick people sometimes.” Oscar
“Fire fighters…if you are stuck in a fire, they will help you to stop you getting burned!” Pip
“Police motorbikes help” Lennie

The following children celebrated their birthdays this week:

Minnie, Imogen, Henry

Phenomenal Phonics awards

Year R: Hugo
Year 1: Cherry
Year 2: Demi



Star Writer awards

Year R: Mia
Year 1: Anna
Year 2: Lucien

Year 3: Parker
Year 4: Georgia
Year 5 Isla
Year 6: Ellie

REPS Certificates (Respect, Equality, Perseverance, Self-belief)

Continuing to persevere with reading, writing and maths this week: Mae

Being a respectful team player in PE. You took turns and helped your partner: Zahra

Showing such perseverance when mastering the skill of hula hooping! Kira

Your incredible sewing skills when making your cushion this week and for helping others too: Sama

Showing perseverance with her story writing: Karen

Consistently showing perseverance and self-belief in all his learning: Oscar P

Always being a respectful student who perseveres with her learning: Michelle

Certificates of Merit

Great maths this week! Pip

Showing good control when cutting, juicing and blending fruit when making our smoothies: Oscar W

Working hard to create a quiz algorithm in Scratch Jr: Shahnaz

Showing more confidence in lessons and sharing your thoughts more often: Amelia

Being thoughtful and insightful during RE: Imogen

A good attitude and approach to all his learning this week: Jerome

Working so hard in lessons and repeating the rewards of her focus and determination: Neta

Sport Certificates

Being a role model for different sporting activities outside, including hockey: Lennie

Showing good technique when throwing a beanbag both over and underarm: Liam

Showing such excellent accuracy during our target games: Nancy N

Quietly working well in our cricket lesson and demonstrating determination to improve: Ann-Teresa

Excellent striking skills using the launcher in golf and supporting others by giving feedback: Charlie LH

Learning to bowl effectively in our cricket lesson and using a good technique when fielding: Meral

Working his way around the golf course and collaborating with his partner to complete the game: Rory