SANDRIDGE WEEKLY NEWS

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Children return to school on Thursday 4th September 2025

‘Head’lines (Miss Lisa Roberts, Headteacher)

The last day of term is finally here…and the staff are smiling (rather smugly) at the thought of the long summer break ahead!

Today, we say goodbye to our lovely Year 6 children (see below for photos).
Some of you have been with us for your entire primary experience and others have joined the school in the last couple of years but, despite the mobility within the class, you have been inclusive and supportive of one another and really gelled as a group.
You have worked your socks off and your SATs results reflected that – certainly some of the best results we have ever had; particularly the high percentages of Greater Depth in all subjects. Well done to all of you – we are proud of you.
We celebrated you at last night’s Farewell Festival and Family BBQ which was a lovely evening.
You leave us confident and ready for your new adventure – we wish you the best of luck.
You will be missed.

Sadly, today we also say goodbye to two of our teaching staff – Mr Robbins and Mrs Hunt. Mr Robbins has been at Sandridge for eight and a half years and, during that time, taught Years 3, 4 and 5. He has had a positive impact on the children he has taught and always ensured children make fantastic progress. Staff will miss his obsession with tea and, in particular, his very dry sense of humour! He is semi-retiring but may be back in the future to do some supply for us, here and there.
Mrs Hunt has been at Sandridge for almost five years teaching Years 4-6. She has also had an extremely positive impact on our children and has really nurtured the children in her care. Over the last year, she has job-shared with Mr Riley in Year 6 and their excellent partnership is reflected in this year’s fantastic SATs results.
Mrs Hunt is moving on to develop her skillset in an Early Years setting – she will be missed by us all (staff will also miss her amazing brownies!) but we wish her the best of luck too.

I hope you all have a fantastic summer holiday ☺

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 4th September at 8:40a.m.





Autumn Term

School Dinners

The cost for school dinners for children in KS2 (Year 3 and above) will remain £3.50 per meal. School meals need to be paid for in advance via Arbor. If the school meal debt rises to over £15 we may ask you to provide a home packed lunch for your child until the debt is paid off and the account is in credit.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs every school day and starts at 7.30a.m. We serve cereal, toast and fruit with a hot or cold drink. Sessions are £5. Bookings and payments must be made in advance via Arbor. We can also accept childcare vouchers as payment.

Play Pals

Our after-school provision will run from the first day of the new term – Thursday 4th September.
Please book in advance via Arbor.
£8 for 3:10 – 4:30p.m £16 for 3:10p.m – 6:00p.m
We can also accept childcare vouchers as payment

Clubs

Details for lunchtime and after school clubs will be sent out at the start of term and will start **w/c 15th September.**

Uniform

Please ensure children have correct school uniform from September, including PE kit.



Grey shorts/trousers/skirt/pinafore
White polo shirt



Sweatshirt or sweatcardi with school logo – no other jumpers or cardis please
Grey or white socks/tights only
Black shoes (no boots or trainers even if they are black)
Long hair tied up (blue, white or grey hair accessories only)
No jewellery (apart from small pair of studs and/or a watch – not to be worn for PE)
School fleeces only to be worn as external clothing please



PE Kit



Children should come to school in their PE kit for the days they have PE. We will notify you of these days at the start of next term.
All children should wear normal school uniform on Thursday 4th September.

PE kit consists of:
plain white round-neck T-shirt, royal blue shorts and plain black plimsolls or trainers (for inside/warmer weather)
plain white round-neck T-shirt, plain black jogging bottoms and plain black plimsolls or trainers (outdoor/colder weather).
School sweatshirt or sweatcardi over the top, when needed.
No leggings, cycling shorts, or any hoodies/other sweatshirts, please.





Sandridge School uniform is purchased from Smarty Schoolwear in Hatfield.
They deliver to school free of charge during term time, or you can visit the shop.
(www.smartyschoolwear.co.uk, tel: 01707 263909, email: info@smartyschoolwear.uk)

Stationery – Years 1 to 6

To ensure children have the correct stationery, the school supplies all the items needed for each key stage (see below).

These will be available to purchase via Arbor in the new term.

Children in Years 2 and above **do not** need to be provided with a completely new set of stationery if they have items from this academic year. The payment we ask from parents is to cover the cost of replacing items when they run out over the course of the whole school year. This means that children have the correct equipment, have access to replacements as soon as they run out, and it is a cheaper and easier option for parents too.

Please do not allow your child to bring their own stationery items from home.

All exercise books and other items used are provided by the school free of charge.

KS1 - £10	KS2 - £14
30cm ruler Pencil Sharpener Whiteboard pen Set of coloured pencils Glue stick Green editing pen Mini stickers (for labelling)	30cm ruler Pen Pen refill Pencil Sharpener Whiteboard pen Set of coloured pencils Glue stick Green editing pen Highlighter Mini stickers (for labelling)





Attendance



The attendance champions for July are Year 1 with 98.6%

The attendance champions for the summer term are Year 1 with 97.8%

The attendance champions for this academic year are Year 1 with 98.5%



Well Done Year 1!

Being in school is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and wider development.

Please do not take your children out of school during term time for family holidays or days out.

Thank you.

End of Year Awards

EYFS Sports Award: Elliot
KS1 Sports Award: Charly BR
Lower KS2 Sports Award: Freddie
Upper KS2 Sports Award: Henry

EYFS Resilience Award: Mae
KS1 Resilience Award: Minnie
Lower KS2 Resilience Award: Stephanie
Upper KS2 Resilience Award: Cece-Blue

EYFS Mrs Beard Kindness Award: Mia
KS1 Mrs Beard Kindness Award: Tilly
Lower KS2 Mrs Beard Kindness Award: Oscar T
Upper KS2 Mrs Beard Kindness Award: Mollie-Mae

Whole School Contribution Award: Reagan

End of Year Certificates of Excellence have been awarded to:
Reception: Mahnaz, Avraaj
Year 1: Ewan, Cherryrose
Year 2: Demi, Elliott
Year 3: Sama, Sofia
Year 4: Elsa, Sara
Year 5: Orla, Oscar

The Headteacher's Achievement Award for demonstrating incredible commitment, hard work and exemplary manners was presented to: Spencer

Certificates for 100% Attendance for the Summer Term have been awarded to:
Mahnaz, Mae, Pip, Reuben, Tilly, Ted, Liam, Austin, Matty, Anna, George, Oscar W, Shahnaz, Ellie, Samuel, Ettie, Seth, Daniel, Sofia, Amelia, Parker, James, Artie, Hadley, Elsa, Stephanie, Freddie, Lizzy, Aaron, Eve, Roxy, Hugh, Oliver, Karson, Jayden, Henry, David, Harry, Kuzey, Albert, Yan Ting, Cherry, Olivia, Reagan, Casley, Thomas, Andrew, Spencer

Certificates for 100% Attendance for the whole of the academic year 2024/2025 have been awarded to:
Pip, Liam, Ted, Matty, Anna, George, Oscar, Seth, Daniel, Sofia, Amelia, Parker, James, Artie, Elsa, Eve, Roxy, Karson, Yan Ting, Cherry, Andrew, Spencer