SANDRIDGE WEEKLY NEWS

Friday 19th June 2026

The attendance winners for this week are Year 1/2 with 100%



Number of late in each class this week:

2 lates	**Year 1/2, Year 5, Year 6**
4 lates	**Reception**
5 lates	**Year 3**
8 lates	**Year 4**



‘Head’lines (Miss Lisa Roberts, Headteacher)

Firstly, well done to all the children that participated in District Sports, this week. It was very hot on both days which made competing even harder. However, everyone showed resilience, determination and a positive attitude – we are very proud of you. Thank you to Miss Everall and Mrs Kennedy for accompanying the children and looking after them whilst they were there.

Next Wednesday, is our annual Sports Day and Family Picnic. It is, currently, forecast to be very hot and sunny. Please ensure your child has a hat, a water bottle and has sun cream applied before school. We will ensure we have the children in the shade as much as possible throughout the day and provide plenty of opportunities for them to have a drink. If needed, we may have the picnic on the grassy area next to the playground, as there is more shade there. I will be on the gate to welcome you and tell you where to sit.
For the races, in the afternoon, the children are always sat in their classes under the trees anyway. Please arrive just before midday with your picnic and a chair if you wish to. Children will be brought outside promptly at 12:00. We look forward to seeing you there.

You will see that, along with today’s newsletter, we have emailed out the Parent Survey summary report – a very positive read, I’m sure you’ll agree. Thank you to governors for their hard work in analysing all the responses and feedback and thank you to YOU for your kind words and lovely comments.

Finally, today is our Summer Fair 3:15-8:00p.m. Do come along and enjoy the BBQ, bar, some dancing, singing and stalls. There will be plenty to do for everyone – not forgetting – the Colour Throw Party and water fight! All funds raised go towards much needed resources and equipment for our children.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine 😊

Upcoming Events		
Monday 22nd June	Y4/Y5 trip to Kew Gardens	
Tuesday 23rd June	Rock Climbing Y1-6	Wear PE Kit
Wednesday 24th June	Sports Day & Family Picnic	12:00-3:00p.m on the field
Thursday 25th June	Obstacle Courses – whole school	Wear PE Kit
Monday 6th – Friday 10th July	Whole school assessment week	
Wednesday 8th July	Open classroom Rec-Y6	
Wednesday 15th July	KS2 Talent Show	Hall 6:00-8:00p.m
Monday 20th July	Y6 Farewell Festival & Family BBQ	KS1 playground 5:30-7:30p.m
Tuesday 21st July	BREAK UP 1:30P.M	

Sport

Cricket

On 15th June, half of the school cricket team played a match against Margaret Wix. Everyone played brilliantly and the team was captained really well by Meral. Unfortunately, we lost 137-178. We tried our best, so well done to: Eve, Orla, Meral, Sara, Imogen, Harry, Charlie, Freddie and Artie. The teacher at Margaret Wix chose Artie as player of the match.

We also played a game against Garden Fields. We chose to field first and bat second. We worked hard to limit the number of runs Garden Fields were getting with some very good bowling. They had some excellent shots getting a few 4s and 6s. They ended their batting on 166. It was then our turn to bat, we had a tricky start, and despite some good hits they were being caught. We did manage to get some 4s and 6s. We ended our batting with 129. Karson was voted player of the match.

District Sports

Congratulations to everyone who took part in District Sports on Tuesday and Thursday.
A full write up will follow next week.

Golf

Majesticks GC are offering free tickets this year to LIV Golf UK on Thursday 23rd July at JCB Golf and Country Club.

Every child from school can apply to get a free ticket. 1 free adult ticket will be provided per child. A 20% discount code is also available for any extra adults who would like to attend on the Thursday plus a 20% discount for additional ticket purchases on Friday - Sunday. There will also be a Mascot Experience, giving selected children the chance for an inside experience with the players. Places are limited and registering doesn't guarantee a ticket, successful families will be emailed directly with their tickets.

To register follow the link-
https://forms.monday.com/forms/00629dab3730785fc8b6c710016997bf?r=use1
Registration closes on Friday 3rd July

Mini Sports Week next week at School

On Tuesday, we have a mobile rock-climbing wall coming to school for **Years 1-6**. Each class will get 1 hour on the climbing wall. In that hour four children at a time can be on the wall and children will get between 2-4 climbs each. There is no pressure on children to reach the top and they are encouraged to only climb as high as they feel comfortable.
Children will need to come in wearing their PE kit and trainers.

On Wednesday, it is the whole school sports day. A quick reminder that all children will need to be in **PE kit** with an item of clothing in their **house colour**. The children will take part in a carousel of activities in the morning, there is then the picnic on the field at lunchtime which all parents are invited to before watching the races in the afternoon.

On Thursday, we have two inflatable obstacle courses coming to school for **Reception-Year 6**. All children will have an hour on the field with their class to have a go on the courses.
Children will need to come in wearing their PE kit and trainers.

It is due to be very hot, so we will encourage children to drink plenty of water. Please provide sun hats and put sun cream on your children before school!

Year 6

Last Wednesday, Year 6 embarked on their residential to PGL Windmill Hill! Despite enduring March-like weather, we had an incredible time and enjoyed many amazing activities.
When we arrived on the Wednesday (and after devouring lunch), we started our first two activities. All groups had a chance to find their way around the site using a map in orienteering. We then either had the chance to learn how to fence or take a flight through the sky on the zipline. In the evening, after our first (very much needed) meal, we played Passport to the World before settling down for the evening. For some of us, less sleep was had than normal on the first night...!

On the Thursday, we had four activities: fencing / zipline, sensory trail, canoeing and Jacob's Ladder. The weather wasn't on our side and we spent the day getting pretty wet and windswept! However, we battled through the elements and just enjoyed the activities as much as possible. Jacob's Ladder was particularly tricky in this weather as we had to try and pull ourselves up a giant, wooden ladder. Luckily, canoeing was on this day as we all got drenched anyway! Some of us, because we capsized our canoes (multiple times), and others because we had splashing wars! In the evening, we played Gameshow and we all got a lot more sleep this evening as we were exhausted!

Our last day, we all tried climbing and archery. The weather was much more pleasant - dry and cloudy - so it made the activities much easier! After lunch, we headed home, all feeling very exhausted from the past few days.
We persevered, threw ourselves into every activity and smiled our way through the trip (including the adults) to make a fabulous few days away!



















Year 5

This week in English, we began our new unit on advertising. We explored a variety of advertisements in print, including those found in magazines, newspapers, and on billboards, as well as advertisements in video format. Together, we identified the persuasive language features and techniques that make advertisements engaging and memorable. To put our learning into practice, we worked to design an advertisement for our school, drafting persuasive text that highlights the many qualities and achievements we are proud of. We look forward to developing our advertisements further in the coming weeks.









Year 4

In art, Year 4 have been taking inspiration from the rainforest. We closed our eyes, listened to the sound of the rainforest, and let our minds run wild! When we opened them, we saw images of rainforest flora and fauna. We have created a series of drawings inspired by parts of these images and started to form ideas that we will be using to create a mood board to inspire future artwork.










Year 3

On Wednesday we took a trip back in time to an Iron Age village. We had to declare that 'We come in peace!' before they opened the gates. At this point, we entered the village to be surrounded by Celtic round houses and loads of people dressed in clothing from their time. Throughout the day, we got to take part in activities that had to be done as part of daily life: We watched flint knapping before hunting for our dinner; made clay pots and learnt about the beaker people; ground flour on quern stones and made bread balls.

It was such an immersive and fun day; we loved looking at the photos when we got back to school! The adults were so proud of us and we impressed our guide with all we had remembered from our learning earlier this year.

















Year 1/2

Over the last two weeks, Year 1/2 have been looking at shape. We have investigated lines of symmetry, investigated 3D shapes and sorted 2D shapes.











Reception

This week we have been thinking about 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and the butterfly life cycle. We have acted it out and danced to 'The Syncopated Clock' music with a 1 2 3 4 wiggle wiggle wiggle dance! We did this alone, with friends, and in a long caterpillar all together. We also used coloured scarves to dance like butterflies to the graceful music, 'The Swan' by Saint-Saëns. We have enjoyed 'Superworm' and have been finding a few too!

We have also been cooling off on warm days with a paddling pool!








The following children celebrated their birthdays this week:



Harry, Freddie



This week's Class Cup of Kindness is awarded to: Miss Littlechild!



Phenomenal Phonics awards

Year R: Rocco
Year 1/2: Liam



Star Writer awards

Year R: Elijah
Year 1/2: Cherry
Year 3: Charly

Year 4: Daniel
Year 5 Georgia
Year 6: Sadie



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



Showing lovely respect to others, being helpful and persevering more with all his work: Charlie E

Being resilient and showing perseverance when learning a new method to find fractions: Matty

Being the most amazing member of the class who always shows all our school REPS in all you do! Ettie

Showing such kindness, respect and equality in PE when supporting your partner and teaching them how to throw underarm: Ezmaye

Offering to tidy up the classroom which enhances the learning environment: Karen

Having determination, self-belief and resilience in all sporting events this week – you should be so proud of yourself! Meral

Certificates of Merit



Being more independent with meeting his needs and saying more words now: Azari

Always being willing to share your thoughts and ideas on the carpet: Sophie K

Being such a brilliant member of the Raven Tribe during our Celtic Harmony trip. You made us proud and were a pleasure to take: All of Year 3

Having such a positive attitude towards your reading. It has been so lovely watching your confidence grow: Amelia

Always bringing your best self to school. Your focus on learning, tidy workspace and neat presentation sets a wonderful example for your class: Hadley

Always engaging in lessons and happily editing her work so she achieves more: Isla

Sport Certificates



Being a brilliant rhythmic caterpillar and butterfly in dance this week! Oliver R

Showing excellent determination in our sports day practise: Ewan

Being encouraging of others in our first cricket lesson and trying his hardest to help his team: Archie

Such excellent accuracy when throwing overarm and underarm in PE this week: Ann Teresa

Her effort to keep trying in tennis and golf this week, showing a positive attitude in listening to and learning from her peers: Elsa

Constantly trying to improve himself in athletics and working so well with his partner in tennis: Kamron

Player of the match in the cricket match against Margaret Wix: Artie
Player of the match in the cricket match against Garden Fields: Karson