



Sandhills Newsletter

Spring Term No 4

10th March 2017

Letter from the Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers, Families and Friends

At Sandhills Primary School we are immensely proud and fortunate to have a very dedicated and supportive school community. Staff, governors, and you as parents and carers recognise that the education of your children is a partnership between us all.

As adults, we understand that everyday frustrations can cause misunderstandings and have a negative impact on our relationships. We believe that it is our responsibility to teach children how to resolve difficulties in a constructive manner through open and positive communications. We also expect that all adults, while on the school premises, will do the same.

It is important that all of our children are kept safe while in school, and we hope that you will work with us to make sure that this is the case. The school will treat very seriously any incident which impacts on the safety or wellbeing of our pupils or staff.

With best wishes

Mrs J. Settle

Key Dates



Celebration Assemblies

March

Friday 17th
Mulberry & Acer

Friday 24th
Walnut & Cedar

Friday 31st
Sycamore & Maple

April

Friday 7th
Acer & Willow

Friday 7th
End of Term

This term's value

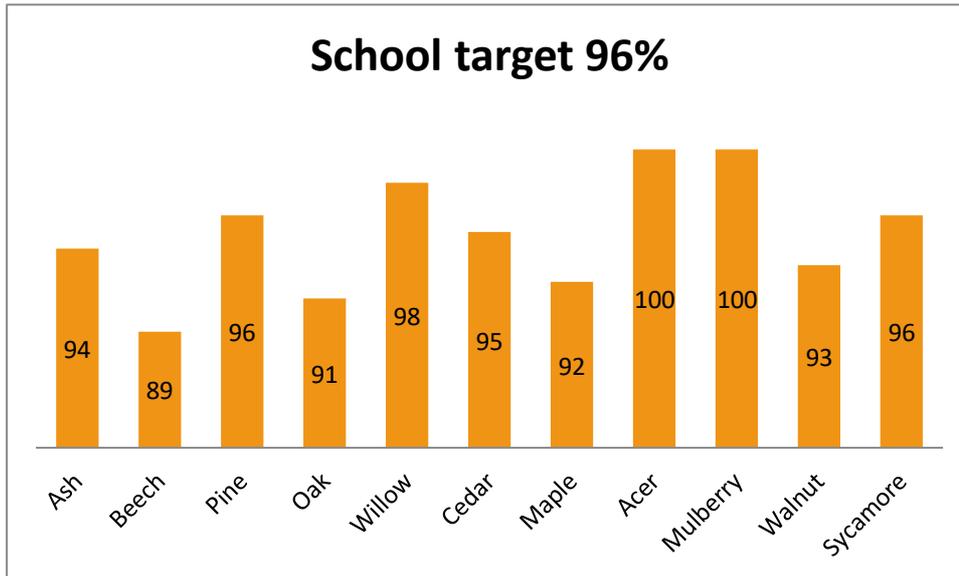
Appreciation

Not taking things for granted.
Appreciating the people we know and don't know, who may contribute to our lives.
Appreciate the world we live in and the familiar things about ourselves.



This Week's Attendance

Congratulations to **Acer & Mulberry** classes for achieving 100% attendance this week. This may have had something to do with the residential, but now an expectation has been set. We hope you can continue this great attendance.



Sandhill's target is to keep all classes **above 96%**.
Please support your children to attend school every-day.

Superstar Learners of the Week

The award is given to those children who are making a wonderful effort either with work or their attitude to learning.

Ava-Lucia M, David S, Lincoln G, Summer G, Inaayah N, George E and Lyra J.

Well done to everyone today, we are very proud of you



Year 5 Residential

Thank you very much to all the staff who have accompanied the Year Five children on their visit to Woodrow High House this week and especially to Mr Taylor for organising and leading the visit.

We hope you all had a fantastic time and look forward to hearing all about it.



Allergies

A small but significant number of our children suffer from **NUT and KIWI** allergies which can lead to Anaphylaxis (the swelling of the mouth and windpipe). This can be an extremely serious condition and very frightening for the child if they come into contact with even traces as they could find themselves unable to breathe.

We are sure you have empathy with the children and families who have this condition. Therefore we implore you to be vigilant when considering foods for your children's lunchboxes and request that these products are avoided so that we can keep the children safe.

Food we are still seeing brought in for lunches are **NUTELLA, CEREAL BARS** and **FRUIT SALAD** boxes. We are also receiving **JUNK MODELLING** boxes that have once contained nut products. We realize that preparing food for your children's lunches can sometime be difficult enough, but we do urge you to be vigilant as:

For one child it is life threatening allergy.

We thank you for your support in this matter.



Personal Achievement Card

We have high expectations of all our pupils and recognise and reward achievements both inside and outside of the classroom.

Awards can be earned if a child has achieved a target, made an exceptional effort, achieved outstanding attainment or shown kindness and understanding to someone. These awards are written on the child's Achievement cards which have space for 25 awards.

If a child fills 3 Achievement cards they receive a **bronze** award.

If a child fills 6 Achievement cards they receive a **silver** award.

If a child fills 9 Achievement cards they receive a **gold** award.

The awards are badges that the children are able to wear as part of their uniform.

12 or more Achievement cards completed and the child will receive a special award form Mrs Settle!