



Sandhills Community Primary School

Dear parents and families,

Friday 23rd November 2018

It's certainly a lot chillier this week! Scarves, hats and gloves for the children are a good idea – please make sure they are named. You'd also be surprised how many children have not had coats in school this week!

PE/Sport report

Almost reached the end of November and as the weather is beginning to turn, we've had some exciting sports events going on at Sandhills.

First of these was a wonderful Hockey evening at East Oxford School. I now realise that we have discovered some excellent hockey players, who enjoyed some training, some coaching and a triumphant match. More to come there I hope.

We have also taken part in a number of Football matches. The boys 7 a side team have played against Rose Hill, the girls are playing this week and our mixed team played a Manor Cup match against Tetsworth this week. I think most players were in danger of going down with frostbite, so well done to them.

Climbing club has now come to a close but has seen some future Climbing champions sharpening their skills and setting themselves some really tough but exciting challenges.

Outdoor Adventure Club has so far been smiled upon by the weather gods and an hour spent running non-stop around the wild area would keep anyone warm. Really exciting!!!

Football club and Basketball club also going well, while Archery club has been really interesting, seeing our young archers developing their skills and improving week by week.

Hopefully we can continue to enjoy some exciting sport over the next few weeks of term. Thank you everyone.
Mark Cobb

Trips, events and photos

We have had some feedback about the number of requests for contributions to trips, events in school, photos on top of on-going payment plans for residential trips in recent weeks. It's important that the children get to experience trips and visitors and that this aspect of enrichment isn't squeezed out of the curriculum, but we recognise that we need to plan out our requests for contributions much better and get letters out sooner, particularly where the contributions requested are significant.

School office

You will be pleased to know that Mrs Wyatt had her operation as planned and is starting out on the road to recovery, I am sure you will join me in wishing her well.

We did have some full-time admin cover for the office in place but that has come to an end leaving us a bit short staffed over the next few weeks so please can I ask for your patience if some requests take a little longer than usual, thank you.

Celebration Assemblies

| Date | Class |
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| Friday 30 th Nov | No assembly |
| Friday 7 th Dec | 4T |
| Friday 14 th Dec | 5G |

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to our stars from last week:

Daniel, Michelle, Harry, Victoria, Tallulah, Amy, Malakai, Teagan, Tia, Aaliyah, Connor and Lyla.

Music Assembly

Mrs Hunter-Lacey is organising a music assembly for Monday the 17th December to give the opportunity to all out musicians to perform to the children and parents. More details to follow soon!

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| PTA Free Dress Day | Friday 23 rd November | Donations for the Christmas Fayre please! |
| Big Christmas Sing | Thursday 29 th November | |
| Christmas Fayre | Friday 30 th November | 3.15pm in school hall |
| Christmas lunch (EYFS, Yr 1 & 2) | Wednesday 5 th December | |
| Year 3 Trip | Friday 7 th December | |
| Christmas Wreath Making (adults) | Friday 7 th December | 7.30pm |
| EYFS Nativity | Tuesday 11 th December | 2.15pm |
| Christmas Lunch (Yrs 3-6) | Wednesday 12 th December | |
| EYFS Nativity | Wednesday 12 th December | 2.15pm |
| Music Assembly | Monday 17 th December | 2.15pm |
| Pantomime Trip | Tuesday 18 th December(am) | |
| Years 1 and 2 Christmas Performance | Tuesday 18 th December | 2.15pm |
| Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance | Wednesday 19 th December | 2.15pm |
| Years 3,4,5 and 6 Christmas Performance | Wednesday 19 th December | 6pm |
| Years 3,4,5 and 6 Christmas Performance | Thursday 20 th December | 2.15pm |
| School Closes | Friday 21 st December 2pm | No After School Club |
| Christmas Break | 24 th Dec to 4 th Jan | |
| INSET (SCHOOL CLOSED) | Monday 7 th January | |
| School Reopens | Tuesday 8 th January 2019 | |
| Half term | 18 th to 22 nd February | |
| INSET (SCHOOL CLOSED) | Monday 25 th February | |
| Easter Break | 8 th April to 22 nd April | |
| Half term | 27 th to 31 st May | |
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Have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Emma Coleman
Headteacher