



Sandhills Community Primary School

Dear parents and families,

Friday 20th September 2019

I always want to start these newsletters by saying it's been another busy week in school but I haven't had a week yet that isn't!

I went from class to class earlier this week and must have caught the day where each class was working on their final piece of writing at the end of their English unit. Improving writing was one of the areas we worked hard on last year, so it was great to see the children's confidence and determination in their writing as I went from class to class. Our foundation children weren't writing, they were all sat around a life size skeleton talking about the different parts of the body. I didn't realise we had a life size skeleton in school so it was a bit of a shock as I stepped into the classroom but the children weren't fazed at all!

I was also lucky enough to attend the PTA AGM last Monday evening to hear about the hard work that was put in over the last year both in fundraising and in bringing the school together as a community. This is a good opportunity to thank our PTA chair Sarah and all the hard-working members of the PTA and the volunteers who helped at all the events that took place over the last year. So much work goes on behind the scenes and events run so smoothly that I think we often underestimate how much hard work goes into them! Thank you all.

Macmillan Afternoon Tea

Sandhills will be hosting a MacMillan Afternoon Tea on Monday 30th September 2019 from 3pm in the school hall.

We will be selling hot and cold drinks along with cakes and biscuits.

Donations of cakes or biscuits would be greatly appreciated. Please bring any donations along to the school office before 2.30pm.

If you (or someone you know) can help on the day, please let us know.

This was a really successful event last year and we hope it will be just as good this year!
Many thanks for your support.

School Meals on Thursday 3rd October – National School Census Day

Our school meal funding for the next financial year is based on the number of children in foundation, year 1 and year 2, who have a school meal on Thursday 3rd October. If your child is in these year groups there is no charge as meals are funded by the Government. Please support the school by encouraging your child to try a lunch on Thursday 5th October. The menu is:

- Sausages
- Cauliflower Cheese Pasty
- Tuna Melt Bap

Works to Outside Areas Starting Monday 30th September

There will be contractors on site for the next two weeks starting on Monday 30th September upgrading parts of our outside areas. They will be resurfacing the area outside Year 1 and the area outside Year 2. During the works, the side entrance alongside the Community Hall to the Year 1 area will be closed for access for safety reasons. The contractors will cordon off areas where they are working.

It is likely that once the work starts the Year 1 children will need to come in through the (new) library doors, but we will put signs out to let you know.

Celebration Assemblies

We would also like to invite anyone who is attending celebration assembly to join us for a cup of tea in the foyer from 2.20pm each week.

Date	Class
Friday 27th Sept	4T
Friday 4th Oct	3D
Friday 11th Oct	3HL
Friday 18th Oct	4S
Friday 25 th Oct	2H

Date	Class
Friday 22nd Nov	1P
Friday 29th Nov	6H
Friday 6th Dec	5G
Friday 13th Dec	4T tbc

Also, please use the pathway at the side of the carpark rather than walking across the car park. Thank you for your support with this.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Emma Coleman
Headteacher

Parking

A reminder for parents and carers not to drive into the school car park or use the entrance to turn around in, as this puts our children in danger.

Diary Dates

School photographer		8.30am	Thursday 24 th October
Macmillan Afternoon Tea	School Hall	3.00pm	Monday 30 th September
Half term			28 th October to 1 st November
Parents Evenings		4.30pm – 7.00pm	Monday 11 th November
		3.15pm to 5.00pm	Tuesday 12 th November
Children in Need			Friday 15 th November
Year 6 Junior Citizens		am	Wednesday 20 th November
Year 5 Medieval Day			Monday 16 th December
Panto Trip		am	Tuesday 17 th December
Christmas Holiday			Friday 20 th Dec to Friday 3 rd January
INSET School Closed			Monday 6 th January
School Reopens			Tuesday 7 th January