

Our rocket seeds have finally landed from the ISS and we will be planting them this week in school. We will be comparing seeds that have been to space with those who have not and sending measurements back to NASA.

# SANDOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Nit Busters

It's time to bust those nits again and get rid of headlice. Please check everyone in your family and comb their hair through with conditioner. It helps everyone in the school if we can clear those heads for learning.

## Diary

### 2016



3rd May - Yr 5 trip to Battle Abbey

9th - 13th May - Yr 6 Sats

19th May - Yr 4 trip to Rye Nature Reserve

23rd - 25th May - Reception class trips to Mallydams

24th May - Yr 6 trip to Chessington

27th May - End of Term 5

6th Jun - Inset Day

7th Jun - Start of Term 6

7th -10th June - Bikeability (6C)

13th - 17th June - Bikeability (6SB)

20th June - Reception and Nursery Foundation Village Sports Day - Morning

20th June - Year 1 and 2 Sports Day - Afternoon

21st June - All day Year 3 and 4 Sports Day

22nd June - All day Year 5 and Sports Day

22nd July - End of Term 6

5th Sept - Inset Day

6th Sept - Return to school

All calendar dates can be found via our [website](#)

## 'The Best That We Can Be.'

This term is already flying by quickly. Thank you for all of your support at our recent parents' evenings. Your children's behaviours for learning continue to improve every day as we all 'Bring Home and School together'. We have listened to your feedback and will be making some changes to ensure you have enough time at these meetings.



Our consultation on the new school logo is now complete. The tree sculpture at the front of the school was designed by Nell Bowers in Year 4. Each of the six branches represents one of our vision statements with the addition of British Values. The school council then took these ideas and this resulted in the final two options.. The winning logo is below due to a 68% FOR decision. This will be on the new uniform in September. It is alright just to buy it as and when your uniform needs replacing.



## Extending the Day

At parents evening there was a questionnaire about the possibility of extending the School day to 3.30pm in September.

The initial idea came from the school council as Year 6 children feel they do not have enough time at lunchtimes and are often rushed. We do have one of the shortest school days compared to other schools. The teachers often find afternoons are not long enough to have two clear sessions and some subjects like music and art can get squeezed. We would also like to have the opportunity to share a book at the end of the day.

The initial results are 71% FOR and 29% AGAINST. This will now go forward to the local authority for further consultation.

## Polite Reminder

When you are waiting for children at the end of the day, please wait on the KS2 playground rather than near the classroom windows. It can be very distracting for the children if parents are looking in at the end of the day. As the warmer weather comes, the windows will be open and the children are able to hear your conversations! Thank you.

## Swimming Pool Update

There is now a Swimming Pool Project team who are working towards reinstating a swimming pool facility at Sandown. Their next meeting is on Friday 13th May. This involves a consultant from FMG consulting who are undertaking the feasibility study and various representatives from the local authority and Hastings Borough Council.

## Car Park



Just a reminder that there is **NO** parking available for parents in the car park. This includes pick ups for after school clubs!