



SANDOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Navy Polo Shirts

After the Christmas break, it will be compulsory for all pupils to wear the new Navy Polo shirts. We fully stock the navy polo shirts with the Sandown logo at the school office.



Sizes range from 3yrs to Medium Adult. [Click here for our uniform pricelist.](#)

We are currently in the process of instructing [Superstitch](#) to sell all our uniform and once this has fully started we will let you know!

Tuck Shop

The Tuck Shop will stop from Friday 20th December. Children are welcome to bring in a piece of fruit for a snack during break time.



Important Events

- 10th - Christmas Performance
Years 1 & 2 at 1.45pm
 - 11th - Christmas Performance
Years 1 & 2 at 10am
 - 11th - Christmas Performance
Reception at 2pm
 - 12th - Christmas Performance
Years 1 & 2 at 10am
 - 12th - Christmas Performance
Reception at 2pm
 - 12th - Parents ICT Session 3-4pm
Hour of Code & E-Safety
 - 13th - Christmas Fayre 3.15-5pm
 - 17th - Whole School Trip to Panto
at White Rock
 - 18th - Christmas Lunch
 - 20th - Home Learning Celebration
 - 20th - End of Term
- January**
- 7th January - Back to school

'The Best That We Can Be.'



I would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas. I have already received the best present that anyone could receive, baby Martha Iris. Thank you for all your kind words, gifts and cards.



Martha Iris Lindsay
7lbs 7oz

The Christmas performances have been so popular we have had to add an additional day. Thank you to the teachers, staff and your children who have worked really hard to produce wonderful performances.

For the last two terms everyone has worked on improving reading and teaching throughout the school. Reading progress is better than ever and something to celebrate this Christmas. This would not have happened without all the parents, carers and grandparents who read daily with the children. This is a skill for life and there is a real sense of a love for reading growing within our community.

If you would like some help in supporting your child read, please contact Mrs Kenny who will be running reading sessions for parents in the New Year.

INSET Day

Don't forget we have an [INSET Day](#) on Monday 6th January.



Christmas Fayre

Join us for our Christmas Fayre on Friday 13th from 3.15pm-5pm. Santa will be in his grotto to see all the children and there will be performances, and plenty of fun games to play like guess the weight of the cake, tombola, with various stalls and goodies.



Attendance

Attendance is currently at 96.1% - which is excellent. Those children that have 100% attendance and have been on time during terms 1 & 2 will have the chance to win a £50 Odeon Voucher in our draw on the 20th.



Sunset Club

Sunset club will only be running until 5pm on Friday 20th December, please ensure that all outstanding fees are paid by Thursday 19th. Please also remember that sunset normally closes at 5.45pm, therefore if you are running late you must contact the team on **07864 026 406**.

Home Learning Celebration

After the success of our first home learning celebration last term we will be holding our next home learning celebration on the afternoon of Friday 20th December. We have already received lots of examples of home learning this term and the quality has improved tremendously. We have produced some lovely new certificates and awards for outstanding home learning.

A top tip is to make sure that your presentation is of the highest standard.

Zumba Performance

Due to a staff sickness a few weeks ago Zumba will run an additional session on Wednesday 18th after school. There will be a performance after, which parents are welcome to watch from 3.30pm. We look forward to seeing you here.



Learning Spotlight - Behaviour for Learning

I am so proud that our children behave well throughout the school. I have received a wonderful email commending our year 6 pupils on the tours they gave to our new parents. Many parents have also commented on how Sandown were the 'best' school at the Big Sing recently. Our attendance is at 96.1% this week which is well above the national average. To become outstanding we now need to work on everyone's behaviour to learning. This means that all children can explain what they are learning (WALT), how they have done well (WISLL) and how they can improve. Level descriptors are now used in lessons so that children are developing an awareness of what level they are and how to push themselves forward in their learning. This is about creating learners for life who aspire to being 'The best that we can be'. Please ask your child about his over tea.