



SANDOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Car Park Entry

After an issue last week where an ambulance had real problems leaving the school park I have had to make some changes to the parking arrangements on health and safety grounds.

There will be no access to the school car park between 8.20 and 9.00 in the morning. In the afternoon there will be no access from 2.45-3.15pm.

If you are a blue badge holder you are entitled to park on double yellow lines. Be aware that the traffic police are patrolling and you may be fined.

School Facebook Page



If you would like to join our facebook group please see the office for a usage agreement form.

Diary

1st—3rd October 2014 Yr6 PGL

3rd October 2014 —Mufti Day (50p)
Xtrax Mayors Challenge

24th October 2014 —End of Term 1

3rd November 2014 —Inset day

4th November 2014 —Start of Term 2

19th December 2014 —End of Term 2

All calendar dates can be found via our

[website](#)

Bringing Home and School Together

Bringing home and school together is one of Sandown Primary School's vision statements.

The only way your children will achieve, is if we all work together in a climate of mutual respect. Therefore it is not acceptable for us to speak to you or you to us in a disrespectful way. Swearing or aggressive behaviour towards staff will not be tolerated and may result in you being banned from School site. Thank you for all your support my door is always open for you to make an appointment.

'The Best That We Can Be.'



One of our new focusses to improve the curriculum this year is outside learning. Pete the Pond has already changed the school pond into a vibrant wildlife area.

It has new dipping platforms and the attendance prize this term is a whole afternoon exploring our outside habitats. Year 2 have visited the local Paul's Field Allotments. I would like to quote from a letter I received yesterday from Neil Mckinnon, the allotment Secretary. " Congratulations regarding the behavior and politeness of your children . Plot holders were unanimous in their praise for the children's interest and curiosity." These comments made me very proud and we are now looking to set up our own allotment gardens within the school with their support.

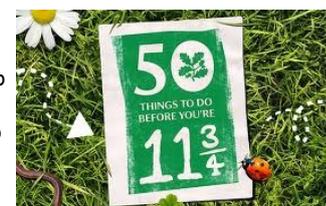


School Photos

The individual school photos are on Thursday 16th October. If you wish to have a family group with your pre-school children please come along at 8.15am

Home Learning

Our home learning up to Christmas is a bit different this term. We are encouraging everyone to get outside and use our environment. The National Trust has a website called 50 things to do before you are 11. On the last day of term before Christmas we will have a home learning celebration with prizes as usual. If you click on the picture link to your right you will see 50 things you can do together. They need parent support as there are some activities which are not safe to do on their own. I have explained this to all of them in assembly. The children can then collect evidence to show what they have



Schools' Fantasy Football

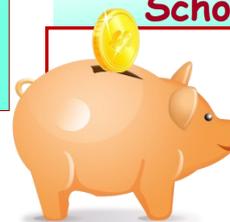
The Schools' Fantasy Football League kicks off on 16th October. We would like as many parents and pupils to enter as possible. There will be manager of the month awards and overall prizes for the best managers. Please click on the link below and sign up. The league table will be shown monthly on the newsletter. Add the code PIN 4904089.



CLUBS

There will be a new club list coming out for next term soon. We have listened to children and parents and have provided a wider variety of clubs for a wider age range starting after half term. Please make sure you sign up quickly so your children are not disappointed

School Finances



We thought parents might be interested to know how the school spends the budget it receives from the Local Authority. Last year April 2013—March 2014 our total budget

was £1,696,160.00.

This was spent as follows:

Staffing:	1,425,099.00
Premises:	185,783.00
Supplies & Services:	302,467.00
Income:	-329,593.00

This left a total of £112,404.00 to carry forward to the new financial year.