



# Sandown Primary School Newsletter

## Comic Relief



Red Hair / Bed Hair for Red Nose Day on 24<sup>th</sup> March. Wear Mufti - suggested donation £1.00.

## Sports Achievements

Once again Sandown have participated in several local sports events including a netball tournament and a football tournament at Buckswood. We will also be entering the Cross Country event on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March which is held here at Sandown School.

A big well done to the year 5/6 Girls football team who came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the cluster semi-finals and are through to the finals.



A huge well done to all the parents and staff who ran in the Hastings Half marathon on Sunday.



## Aspirations Week – 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Wow! What a fantastic week. Every child took part in 4 Leisure Aspiration workshops exploring ways to use their leisure time productively. Research shows that if a child has not got a hobby or joined a club by the time they leave primary school, they are unlikely to do so later on in their life. Which workshops did your children do? Which clubs will they be joining in Term 5?

For our pupils, we know that having positive role models who work is key to their own aspiration.

Taking KS2 to Kidzania in London and having visits from so many workers including a vet, nurses, paramedics, hairdressers, musicians, plumbers, artists, midwives and many, many more, was truly inspirational. Thank you so much to everyone who gave up their time to inspire our young learners to have aspiration for the future.



The infants had a taste of working in

the school and enjoyed being cleaners, cooks, teachers and even myself for the day. I don't think the Oscars have ever been polished so many times!



Our community aspirations gave us all an opportunity to improve our school grounds and everyone enjoyed getting outside. We now need to keep our aspirations going and drive on to improve our community and the lives of our pupils.

## Home School Agreement and Communication

We have created a home school agreement based on our Sandown Vision. After some successful trials we will no longer be holding Parents' Evenings in the same way we used to. From Term 5 onwards, teachers will book a meeting with you across the terms to discuss your child's attendance, academic achievement and aspirations.

**High Aspirations**

We will work hard every day so that we can achieve our career aspiration.

We will strive to improve our community

In our leisure time, we will try new things to become unique individuals.

**Quality Education**

We will all work together to achieve academic success.

We will develop resilience and learn from our mistakes.

We will verbalise our learning with clarity and precise language.

**Nurturing Everyone**

We speak positively about the school to others and share concerns appropriately.

We will respect everyone and everything.

We are friendly, kind and caring.

**Bringing Home and School Together**

We will complete our reading, spelling and maths home learning on time.

We will exhibit exemplary behaviour all of the time.

We will foster and encourage independence.

**Pride In All We Do**

We will come to school on time and attend daily

We will celebrate all of our achievements.

We will dress appropriately.

We are determined to create an inclusive culture of learning where all children will be challenged in their thinking, to achieve to the best of their abilities and strive to become lifelong learners. We will empower our children to become respected citizens to enable them to make valuable contributions locally, globally and to contribute to our world's sustainable future.

This can be done most effectively when all staff, parents/carers and children understand their responsibilities and work together towards the same goals, as detailed in our home/school agreement. Please read the above statements and return the signed agreement. Failure to comply with our home school agreement will result in a meeting with the Headteacher.

Staff: \_\_\_\_\_ Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Carer: \_\_\_\_\_

## School Gardening

Thank you once again to our wonderful gardening gang from the CSA who built our new raised beds for school gardening. Kathryn Joly, one of our Reception parents has started the school gardening this week. If you would like to help with gardening, please speak to Mrs. Tugwell We would like plastic bottles to build a small greenhouse. We also need old wellies please.

## Diary

### 2017

**22<sup>nd</sup> Mch - 1.15-3.20pm**  
Inter school Cross country at Sandown School.

**24<sup>th</sup> Mch - Easter fair 3pm.**  
24<sup>th</sup> Mch - Mufti & Red hair/bed hair for Red Nose Day.

**30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> Mch - Lunchtime boot sale**

**31<sup>st</sup> Mch - End of Term 4**

**18<sup>th</sup> Apr - School closed (INSET day)**

**19<sup>th</sup> Apr - Start of Term 5**

**20<sup>th</sup> Apr - Class Photos**

**1<sup>st</sup> May - Bank Holiday (School Closed)**

**8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> May - YR6 SATS week**

**22<sup>nd</sup> May - Yr6 Bikeability**

**25<sup>th</sup> May - End of Term 5**

**5<sup>th</sup> June - Start of Term 6**

**12<sup>th</sup> June - Yr6 Bikability**

**17<sup>th</sup> July - Yr6 Prom**

**21<sup>st</sup> July - End of Term 6**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sept - Start of Term 1**

## Yarnbombing

Lots of children, staff and parents and grandparents have been busy knitting and felting for the Pier Yarnbombing next weekend. Pop along to the pier and see if you can find our sea creatures.



## Governors News

It is an important term in the school year for the Governing Body with a focus on school finance. We have completed monitoring of the school's budget for the end of the last financial year and made sure that the school's systems and procedures comply with the relevant operating standards. We have also had a training day together to start planning our priority working aims for the next school year.

Edward Collins – Chair of Governors

## PTA News

Thank You to the PTA for agreeing class bids to improve our school. Every class has bought new items including chairs for reading corners, playtime games and outdoor equipment.

Easter Fayre – There is still time to donate items for the Easter Fayre Raffle / Tombola prizes Chocolate and any teddies you may no longer need.

Easter Fayre- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 -4.30pm.

Please note: **All** clubs will still run on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March.

## Philippines Committee

Our link with the Philippines Hezekiah project is still going strong. Our new committee is hoping to raise money to support the day-day running of the project.

We are holding a boot fair for the children at lunchtime on the **30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> March**. We are asking for donations of good quality toys/games/teddies and books etc. to be brought into school from the **20<sup>th</sup> March**.

All children will be able to attend the boot sale. Prices will vary between 10p - 50p.

## Clubs

A new club list will be sent out in the next couple of weeks for Terms 5 & 6.

We have a lot of outside agencies come in to school to run various clubs and it is vital that clubs are paid for in the first week of term.

Unfortunately due to recent non-payment of clubs, if payment is not received by the second session you r child will no longer be able to attend that club.

## Sports Days

Some dates for your diary - further information will be sent out nearer the time.

20<sup>th</sup> June - Reception & KS 1

21<sup>st</sup> June - Yr3/4 Sports Day

22<sup>nd</sup> June - Yr5/6 Sports Day

## Baby News

We are very excited to announce that Mrs. MacIntyre our Reception class teacher is expecting her first baby in the summer. Congratulations on Mini Mac !