

Sandown Primary School and **Nursery Newsletter**

Nov 2022

Privacy Notices

We have updated our privacy notices. These can be found on the school website

www.sandown.school

Diary

November 2022

7th - Influenza Vaccinations -Rec-Y6

7th - Open afternoon for **Prospective Parents (Reception** 2023) @ 1.15pm

8th - Open afternoon for **Prospective Parents (Reception** 2023) @ 1.15pm

10th - Open afternoon for Prospective Parents (Reception 2023) @ 1.15pm and 4.00pm

12th - FOS Firework Display

December 2022

1st - Reception Nativity Performance (pm)

2nd- Reception Nativity Performance (pm)

7th - Nursery Christmas Concert - 2-2.30pm

14th - Christmas Dinner

16th - Last day of Term 2

17th- 2nd Jan - School Holidays

January 2023

3rd - Inset Day - school closed

4th - Start of Term 3

February 2023

10th - End of Term 3 13th-17th School Holidays 20th - Start of Term 4

March 2023

24th - Inset Day 4 - School Closed

Headteacher

This school year feels better than ever and already it is time to welcome prospective parents ready for next September. Through our ongoing hard work, we know that our school is one of the most popular in Hastings and this is down to our community working together to build the best education and opportunities for the children. The more our families get involved with their children's learning, sports and enrichment activities, the more our children feel valued and listened to. Let's all make it a priority this term to meet our children at the end of the day and talk to them about the best thing they have learnt today. Why not come in and volunteer in the school or maybe it's time for you to think about returning to work. This is something we can support you with.

Wellbeing and Mental Health

Natalie is our Me and My Mind practitioner and she works with children who are learning that worrying is something we all do sometimes. Some children may have 1:1 sessions and others may work in a group. Natalie uses a low intensity CBT approach to give families strategies to manage their mental health. There is a referral and screening process to choose which children can work with Natalie.



Play Equipment for Early Years

We are very happy to share our new Outdoor Play Equipment with you. This project means that our youngest learners can enjoy all of the 7 Areas of Learning both inside and outside. Thank you to Mr.J and Andy our site team for all of their support over the summer to get this wonderful area open.













Nursery

The children have been superstars as they settled into the nursery routine over term 1.

Our older children have got underway over in the Saplings pre-school room where they will be getting ready for their transition into school over the year.

From term 2 please make sure the children arrive with appropriate clothing for the colder weather, we free flow throughout the day in all weather so winter/ wet weather coats are a must.

We look forward to another exciting term where our theme is Once upon a time.

Friends of Sandown

Are you able to spare some time to help /join our wonderful Friends of Sandown team? They desperately need some volunteers to enable them to raise funds by putting on various events such as the Firework display on Sat 12th November, Buy a gift and Santa's grotto as well as the successful Colour Run in the summer.

Without more volunteers, unfortunately the FOS team will not be able to continue!

Meetings are held on the last Thursday in every month 3.30-4.00pm. Come and meet some of the team at Parent Time on a Friday 2-3pm or message FOS on dojo for more information.

Sat 12th November



PE & Sports News

Our Sandown Football Tournaments we hosted at our school were a great success last term. We had 236 fixtures of football played across yr 3-4, yr 5-6 mixed and yr 5-6 girls. A total of 23 schools across the Hastings & Rother District attended and nearly 60 children from Sandown were lucky enough to participate in the tournaments. Thank you to FoS for supplying refreshments for each day.







This term during PE lessons children will be learning Dance and fundamental movement skills with a focus around developing their Social skills.

Can you please ensure your child has the correct PE kit on their days with their name clearly labelled in their hoodies. And a reminder that no jewellery should be worn in PE lessons.

Cross Country is the next large event and is scheduled for 10th November at 1:15pm.

Attendance

Hopefully you all know me already?!! If not, I am Miss Fraser. I am not a new face to the school, I have been here for many years.....

From term 2 I am taking on a new role as the new Attendance Officer. Please report any absence by 9.15 am on the first day of absence by:

- * using Class Dojo to message 'Attendance'
- * phoning the Attendance line on 01424 436983 option 1
- * emailing: attendance@sandown.school

Please feel free to contact me or come see me at the gate, I will be happy to support and help in any way I can. I look forward to working with you all in a very different role.

Essential Skills



We will be working on our Teamwork and Speaking skills this month. Teamwork is about working with others in a positive way and taking responsibility for completing tasks. This links to home learning and reading every night.



Speaking clearly so that others can listen and understand what we are saying is a skill that we all need daily.

Online Safety

A great way to start positive family conversations about online safety is to agree clear expectations and create a Family Agreement.

Click on the link for ideas to ensure a happy, harmonious household! Family agreement | Childnet