

NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 2 26th September 2025

Dear Sandford families

Thank you to all of those families who were able to join Mrs Momber Blake and I for our coffee sessions recently. It is really helpful to get to know all Sandford families so that I can build a picture of the school. It was also great to see lots of families at our Meet the Teacher event. We hope that the opportunity to visit the classrooms was useful.

We are looking forward to our school photo day on Monday. The children at Sandford always look so smart in their uniform so I know some amazing photos will be taken! Please see the email dated 23rd September for further details.

Finally, as we move into autumn please can all children ensure they have a coat in school. We do try to get the children outside during break times, even if there is a little rain, so knowing they have the appropriate outdoor wear is really helpful.

Have a lovely weekend,
Claire

Claire Pocock
Head Teacher

REMINDERS

- No toys from home to be brought into school.
- If a child needs a fidget tool in school, we will provide it. None should be brought in from home.
- Healthy snacks only for breaktime please!

CALENDAR DATES

29.09.2025 – Tulip School Photos
30.09.2025 – YR Parents – Phonics Presentation at 2.45pm
01.10.2025 – Redstreak Swimming
08.10.2025 – Y4 Multi Sport Festival
08.10.2025 – Redstreak Swimming
10.10.2025 – World Mental Health Day – wear Yellow!
14.10.2025 – Yrs 5&6 Primary Cross Country Championships at Sidcot School
15.10.2025 – Redstreak swimming
21.10.2025 – Braeburn Class trip to SS Great Britain
22.10.2025 – Redstreak swimming
24.10.2025 – INSET DAY!!!
27-31.10.2025 – HALF TERM

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CREW POINTS FOR LAST WEEK

	WORK		CONDUCT	
19/09	WEEK	TERM	WEEK	TERM
MILLIGAN	56	89	8	17
CARROLL	56	102	22	35
WILSON	48	71	17	28
ZEPHANIAH	49	84	18	28

CREW POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

	WORK		CONDUCT	
24/09	WEEK	TERM	WEEK	TERM
MILLIGAN	24	113	24	41
CARROLL	47	149	26	61
WILSON	18	89	20	48
ZEPHANIAH	39	123	24	52

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SEND at SANDFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are excited to announce that Sandford Primary will be continuing to be supported by the PINs 2025/26 programme which will be run by the NSPCWT forum. This will include additional training for staff on Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA), supporting children with transitions and further training on ADHD.

NSPCWT forum also run free training and coffee mornings for parents and carers, your child does not have to have an SEN diagnosis to attend these. Please visit <https://www.nspcwt.org/> for further information or check out their pages on Social Media.

NORTH SOMERSET PARENT CARERS WORKING TOGETHER

The Family Support Fayre

Wednesday 12th November 9am - 5pm Winter Gardens, Royal Parade, WSM, BS23 1AJ

For families of children aged **0-25** with additional needs and/or disabilities

Chat with over **70** professionals from across North Somerset

ACCESS TO THE RIGHT SUPPORT

70 professionals from across North Somerset

Take part in 6 training topics!

Connect with local leaders - Ask what matters to you!

Book tickets here!

FREE event for parent carers and professionals in North Somerset!

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Parent Communications – A Friendly Reminder

We'd like to kindly remind parents and carers of the best ways to communicate with the school.

If you have any questions, concerns, or would simply like to talk something through, the most effective way is to contact the school directly. Our number is 01934 852602 and our email is office@sandfordprimary.org. We're always happy to help and are committed to working in partnership with you to support your child's wellbeing and learning.

Whilst platforms such as WhatsApp or social media can be helpful for general parent-to-parent chats, they are not appropriate for discussing sensitive or school-related issues. Messages shared in these forums may not remain private and can easily be circulated more widely.

We respectfully ask all parents to take care when posting or commenting online. Please consider whether the information is accurate, necessary, and in line with the respectful and inclusive values of our school community. In some cases, sharing false or harmful information online can have legal consequences.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain a positive and respectful school environment

Class DoJo

This is the communication method of our Class Teachers. They will use this to let you know about activities happening in the classroom, and you can use it to directly talk to your child's teacher. However, please be aware that a message sent during the working day may not be responded to until the next day if the teacher is in the classroom teaching.

My Child at School (MCAS)

My Child at School is a Desktop website or an app that can be downloaded for free to a tablet or mobile phone.



Parents/Carers are requested to Sign up to the app to ensure you receive key information from school including messages about events, parents' evenings, school closures, regular weekly communications and termly newsletters.

If you access My Child at School via the app using the QR code or via the website [MyChildAtSchool - Login](#) and select Reset Password option:

A screenshot of the "PARENT LOGIN" page on the My Child at School website. The page has a blue header with the "my child at school.com" logo. Below the header, there are input fields for "Email" and "Password". A checkbox labeled "Remember Email Address" is present. A yellow button labeled "Reset Password" is highlighted, with a "Sign Up" link below it. At the bottom, there is a blue "Login" button. The footer includes the version number "v5.2024.9208.31131" and the text "Powered by Bromcom".

Enter the email address into the box and click send reset email. A password email will be generated and sent to your email. Please follow the steps to create a new password.

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Well done Sandford!!!



Sandford took part in the TT Rock Stars Back to School Jam and came first out of the Wessex Learning Trust schools! They scored a massive 645 points which is fantastic!

Some requests please...

Parking

Please do not use the main car park – this is for staff and visitors only. This includes at Breakfast and Afterschool Club times as staff may be coming and going and need to use the car park. Please also ensure that your child keeps to the designated path when walking into school, and out of the way of cars in the car park – we don't want any accidents! Please also ensure you park considerately on Dabinett Drive. We shouldn't be blocking driveways and houses, or be parking near the entrance to the road, for safety reasons.

Absence

Please remember to **call the school by 9:30am at the latest** if your child is going to be absent (unplanned). It is **extremely important** that we are informed of the reason for any absence as early as possible.

This is a **safeguarding requirement** to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our students.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

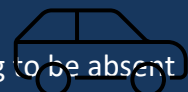
Appointments

If your child needs to be absent from school due to an appointment, please **provide evidence** of the appointment in advance by sending it through to the office – office@sandfordprimary.org.

This can be a letter, email or screenshot of the appointment which helps us maintain accurate records and supports our safeguarding procedures.

We kindly ask that, where possible, **appointments are scheduled outside of school hours** to minimise disruption to learning. However, we do understand that this is not always feasible and appreciate your efforts to keep us informed.

We thank you for your continued support.



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What's on in the community?

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!

AMAZING LEGO DISPLAYS

NEW 6 RETIRED LEGO SETS

BUILD CHALLENGES

ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES

CHARITY TOMBOLA

MILLIONS OF LOOSE BRICKS

PLUS SO MUCH MORE!!

WESTON BRICK FESTIVAL

25TH OCT 2025
HUTTON MOOR

MORE LEGO THAN YOU CAN DREAM OF

TUESDAY 28TH - FRIDAY 31ST

OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMPS

£20 PER DAY
EARLY DROP OFF £5

All abilities welcome!

Fun and professional sessions full of games, technical coaching and match play. 9am-12pm with early drop off option of 8am at Winscombe Tennis Club

Scan the QR code or contact Dominic at winscombetennisclubcoaching@outlook.com to book your slot

TOPSPIN TENNIS

MINECRAFT CLUB

Inspiring the next generation of coders and makers

Coding in Minecraft

This is fun monthly club where children learn how to make mini-games, automate builds, and change gameplay behaviour in Minecraft with code.

Suitable for children aged 8 - 12.

WHERE
Yatton Library
BS49 4HJ

WHEN
Saturday 18th October 2025
From 10:00am - 12:30pm

codingbug.co.uk

Email: info@codingbug.co.uk or call 07909226520

facebook.com/codingbug/

Pop Up Harvest Cafe

Saturday 11 October

10-Noon Churchill Methodist
BS25 5NG

FREE FUN! CRAFTS For Children & Adults

Stalls
Teddy
Bacon Butties
Tombola

In Aid of Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

FOR INFO EMAIL:
Churchillmethodistchurch@gmail.com

Churchill Methodist Church
churchillmethodistchurch.org

we ♥ CREATE! Sunday

Celebrating **PUMPKINS HARVEST & HEDGEHOGS**

Sunday 19 October
4-6pm @Churchill Methodist
BS25 5NG

THANKFUL. ♥ Fun for families
GRATEFUL. ♥ Nature Activities & Craft
BLESSED. ♥ Story & Songs
♥ FREE buffet tea

Churchill Methodist Church
Contact us:
churchillmethodistchurch@gmail.com
churchillmethodistchurch.org.uk

CHURCHILL BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Try us for FREE!

PLAY CHAT CRAFT SING

Mondays 09.00-11.30
6, 13 & 20 OCTOBER
@Churchill Methodist BS25 5NG

Friendly group, easy parking
Bright hall, lots of toys
Yummy snacks; cuppa & cake

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