

Sandford Primary School

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Dear Parents

As the term draws to a close, we wanted to express our thanks for your support over the year. We fully appreciate the busy organisational and logistical requirements of being a parent!!! We are extremely proud of our school and everything we have enjoyed and achieved over the year; your children make our school what it is and we hope they feel as proud as we do.

Farewell Year 6!

It is with sadness that we say farewell to our Year 6 pupils today. It has been a pleasure to see them grow and develop over the years into the accomplished young people they are. We wish them all the very best as they transition to Secondary School and hope they look back on their time at our school with fondness and special memories. You've got this, Year 6 – aim high and follow those dreams!

Staffing Updates

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Bryony Durnell to the Sandford team in September. She will be joining Mrs Zoe Stevens in Ashton Class for two days a week. We are also delighted to share that Miss Donna Sommers-Burrows and Miss Kerrie Durkin will be covering Mrs Chloe Davis on maternity leave after the October half term.

We look forward to introducing everyone to our Sandford family in the Autumn and I know they will be made to feel welcome by us all.

Summer Projects

We are thrilled to share that we are going to be painting our school hall over the summer holidays! The first step in improving this area of the school with the small amount of funds that we have.

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We are looking to acquire some soft chairs for our foyer, and are sending a plea to our families if you know of any businesses that may be disposing of used furniture that may be suitable for us. Please contact the office if you can help in anyway. Thank you!

Sandfest

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTFA for organising our annual Sandfest, despite the challenging weather conditions! It was a huge success and thank you to everyone who supported us.

<u>Useful links</u>

- Please find a link to the end of year Wessex Learning Trust newsletter with lots of Sandford news! https://wessexlearningtrust.co.uk/newsletters/summer-2023
- Please see a support pack for families from the Wessex Learning Trust attached...
 'We have collated some activity ideas and family days out, a lot of these are free or inexpensive giving you plenty of ideas for staying busy this Summer.'
- Free Family Maths Toolkit | Resources for Schools, Parents & Carers (nationalnumeracy.org.uk)

 Designed to encourage discussion between children & their parents or carers, the family maths toolkit also help children to see how maths connects to real life.

Reminders

Key dates for September -

Monday 4th September: INSET Day (staff only attending)

Tuesday 5th September: School open to pupils for the start of Term 1

Thursday 28th September: PTA Quiz night Thursday 19th October: Term 1 ends

www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk

Friday 20th October: INSET Day (staff only attending)

May we also offer our thanks to our wonderful staff, who have worked tirelessly again this year to deliver superb outcomes for your children. We sincerely wish them a restful holiday when it arrives.

Finally, it was a pleasure to read each and every report, and we hope your children feel as proud of their hard work and achievements this year, as we do.

Many thanks for your continued support this year, and I wish you a restful and relaxing holiday when it arrives.

Kind regards

Mrs Lorna Richardson & Miss Angie Stevens Executive Headteacher / Head of School





