#### SANDFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



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#### EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER'S WELCOME



#### Dear families

Despite the inclement weather we have experienced of late, we haven't let it spoil our fun and we have been busy enjoying ourselves with lots of lovely activities at the start of our term. A big thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising the Halloween Film night and to those of you that supported it. It was also lovely to see so many of you at Winscombe's Fireworks night last Friday and I hoped you enjoyed the show as much as I did.

Since our last newsletter, we have said a temporary farewell to Mrs Davies as she begins her maternity leave and have warmly welcomed Miss Durkin and Mrs Sommers-Burrows into Braeburn Class until Mrs Davies returns.

We are really grateful to those of you who completed the parent survey at our Parents Evening sessions before half term and we will be feeding back your responses and our reflections soon. It was extremely useful and heartening to receive your feedback.

Finally, the children and I were marking Remembrance day in our school assembly yesterday, and I wanted to share the exemplary behaviour and respect they demonstrated, which left me feeling an extremely proud Executive Headteacher. Thank you.

Kind regards Mrs Richardson

#### **REMINDERS**

Children in Need is next Friday! See editorial for more information about this fun day!

When parking in Dabinett Drive, <u>please</u> park far enough down the road so as not to cause congestion. Let's keep everyone safe!

Entries for the PTA Christmas Fayre 12 Days
Competition must be returned to the school office by
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November (see letter home on 9<sup>th</sup>
November)

#### CALENDAR DATES

16.11.2023 KS1 Multiskills Festival (letter

1.11.23)

17.11.2023 BBC Children in Need

24.11.2023 Deadline for music lesson

applications (letter 7.11.23)

1.12.2023 PTA Christmas Fayre

4.12.2023 KS1 Nativity (VIPs only)

5.12.2023 KS1 Nativity

7.12.2023 KS1 Nativity

11.12.2023 Christmas Pantomime

12.12.2023 Christmas Jumper Day

12.12.2023 Christmas Dinner

14.12.2023 KS2 Carol Service

15.12.2023 End of Term 2

18.12.2023 INSET Day

19.12.2023 INSET Day

20.12.2023 INSET Day

4.1.2024 Start of Term 3

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#### **CREW POINTS FOR LAST WEEK**

|           | Work | Work | Conduct | Conduct |
|-----------|------|------|---------|---------|
|           | Week | Term | Week    | Term    |
| Milligan  | 45   | 45   | 13      | 13      |
| Carroll   | 49   | 49   | 17      | 17      |
| Wilson    | 54   | 54   | 15      | 15      |
| Zephaniah | 71   | 71   | 31      | 31      |

#### **CREW POINTS FOR THIS WEEK**

|           | Work | Work | Conduct | Conduct |
|-----------|------|------|---------|---------|
|           | Week | Term | Week    | Term    |
| Milligan  | 44   | 89   | 22      | 35      |
| Carroll   | 45   | 94   | 28      | 45      |
| Wilson    | 40   | 94   | 26      | 41      |
| Zephaniah | 35   | 106  | 19      | 50      |



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#### **CREW AWARDS**

Congratulations to the following pupils on achieving their Bronze Award:

Milligan: Luca P, Harry H

Carroll: Ava C, James V, Seren T

Wilson: Harvey P, George C

**Zephaniah:** Freddie L, Toby B



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#### **Governor Vacancy**

Every Wessex school benefits from local knowledge and skills through our governing bodies, all of whom work effectively with the Wessex Trust Board.

We at Winscombe and Sandford have an opportunity for someone to become a governor of our schools. We are very keen to see what skill sets people can offer and invite applications. No school experience is particularly needed. Your role of a governor would be to support school leaders with your skill set and be the checks and balances, helping the Trust Board ensure that we get the best for our young people. Training will be given by the Wessex Central Team.

If this interests you and you wish to give something back to your community, please download the application form from the Wessex Learning Trust website

https://wessexlearningtrust.co.uk/vacancies/governor/ and send it to the school email address for the attention of Mrs Hill-Adams by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Many thanks

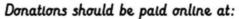
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On Friday 17th November, we will be having a non-uniform day to raise money with the donation of £1, or whatever you are able to give. Please make your clothes as bright and colourful as possible — lots of colours and spots and jazzy patterns!



https://www.justgiving.com/page/sandford-1697533801032?utm\_medium=fundraising&utm\_content=page%2Fsandfor\_ d-1697533801032&utm\_source=copyLink&utm\_campaign=pfp-share\_

There will be a Crew challenge in the afternoon to try and earn your Crew some extra playtime — get practising your 'bearpees'!

Over the week, there will be a **design competition for KSI** (bandana) and KS2 (t-shirt), with the winning design chosen by the School Council on Friday.

There will be lots of other fun 'Pudsey' related activities throughout the day in your classes too.









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#### **EVERY CHILD NEEDS CHRISTMAS**

Some of you may remember that years ago we were involved in a local charity that aimed to provide Christmas gifts to local families who were highly unlikely to be receiving gifts otherwise. Many of us supported the charity by buying a gift from a complicated list, wrapping it ourselves and had to distribute it.

We have been asked if we are able to support them again this year **AND IT IS SO MUCH EASIER!** 

There is a QR code attached to the poster below and which will take you directly to a wish list on Amazon (the list is also available at <a href="https://amzn.to/2MBcjRL">https://amzn.to/2MBcjRL</a>) It just takes a couple of clicks to purchase a gift from list which will be despatched directly to the organisers ... how easy is that?!

Any help will be gratefully received and you will truly be making a difference to children on our doorsteps who are enduring really difficult family situations.





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### Remembrance Sunday 12 November 10.50 am

Service for all, children welcome







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