



# SANDHURST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Newsletter-13/9/19

### This Week

It has been lovely seeing so many parents and carers at all the 'Meet the Teacher' meetings this week. We have a two more to go next week. We have also welcomed all our new reception and nursery pupils this week. They have all settled really well. I have just completed the first prospective parent tour and I cannot tell you how proud I was of all your children. They were all so focused and really enjoying their learning. This does not happen without the support of all the staff and you too, so Thank you.

We have been working on new updated reading record books for yr 3, 4 and 5. They are due back from the printers any day and then we will launch them with the children.

Now the children are used to where they enter and exit the building I would like to ask parents and carers of classes who exit down the ramp by the dining hall to please move back. You are all coming so close we have a bottleneck. Please move right back so the teachers can bring the children all the way onto the playground. Thank you.

As you know, I love how children stay and play at the end of the day, but they must be supervised. The children are your responsibility at the end of the day. They must not climb on the roof of the Fruit Hut please, it is not safe. We have opened up the Memorial Garden for quiet activities, please be respectful of this space and not let your children climb on the sculptures. Thank you

We have been kindly donated some money to give music lessons to children who might not be able to afford it. We are working with Maxine Haffner to set up a programme. If you are in receipt of Free School Meals and feel you could support your child with music practise please see the office.

### A Few Reminders from the Office

Please could I remind all our parents and carers that:

- Our term dates are available on our website
- You need to report your child's absence before 9.00 am either by phone/email or parentmail
- If you change contact details (including email) please notify the office but also remember that you will need to update your details on parentmail yourselves
- Please try and arrange doctor's and dental appointments outside of school hours
- There should not be any nut products in packed lunches
- Finally, if you are eligible, or believe you could be eligible, for Free School Meals please do apply as soon as possible. If you need help with this please see me.

### Children with Medical Needs

We have a large amount of children in school at the moment who are without their required medication. If your child's medication has expired and you have received a reminder to replace it from Mrs McDuell, please could you do so as soon as possible. Please ensure prescription labels are attached and that they are handed in directly to the school office, not to class teachers or teaching assistants.

### Clean Air for Children Protest Sat 21 Sept 3-4pm (A message from one of our Governors)

Clean Air for Catford are organising a family-friendly protest, with parents and children calling on Lewisham Council to make reducing air pollution around schools a top priority. Arrive at Corbett library (Torridon Rd) before 3pm – if you are interested there will then be a march to the centre of Catford, where there will be speeches including from Janet Daby MP and Lewisham's Young Mayor Adam Abdullah. An arts and crafts session (to create protest placards etc) will be taking place in the library beforehand, from 2-3pm.

The more parents and children who join, the more likely the Council will be to take action quickly. Our children's lungs need you! Please tell us you're coming on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/clean-air-for-children-protest-tickets-70793847303>

### Welcome Fair - Saturday 28 September

We still need some volunteers to help at the Welcome Fair. We have split the day into 12-2pm and 2-4pm, and would love help for a bit before and after to set up and tidy away. If you can do part of that time, do let us know as every little helps. The stalls that still need helpers are:

Tea and cake stall - 2 people

Bouncy castle - 1 person

Face painters (any help, of any length of time)

Gate collection (stand with a bucket and take people's entry money) - 2 people.

Stocks (help kids throw wet sponges at their parents) - 1 person

Beat the Goalie (take a turn trying to save goals) - as many people as fancy it! If you fancy yourself as a bit of a goal keeping god, come and test your skills against the kids.

If you can fill any of these roles please leave your details with the office, email us at [info@sandalls.net](mailto:info@sandalls.net) or find us on Facebook (Sandalls Friends of Sandhurst School). This is the bare minimum we need to run stalls, the more we have, the easier it is.

### Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion (6 September to 3 November 2019)

We have signed up with Aldi to help us win some PE resources for our school.

Every time you spend over £30 in any Aldi store you'll receive a Team GB sticker. Take your stickers to school to help complete our poster. Once complete with 300 stickers we'll send the poster back to Aldi to receive an exclusive sports kit and to be in with a chance to win £20,000 for our school.

### Let Me Play

When sorting your childcare for September please don't forget we can offer wrap around care from 7:45am until 6:00pm with the combination of our Breakfast Club and Let Me Play After School Club. We have a new Let Me Play banner on our fence.

### Attendance

Attendance will remain a key priority for us this year. This week attendance overall was 95.6%. This is already below our target of 97%. A huge well done to Ukulele Class with 100% attendance this week. Generally we are doing really well but we still have a few families who really need to improve. I am also receiving too many holiday requests. Holidays must be taken in holiday time. Requests for travel will only be granted in real extreme family circumstances. Please support us in this. Thank you.

Parish Church of St Andrew,  
Sandhurst Road, Catford, SE6 1XD

**MOVIES &  
MUSICALS**

with the  
**Bromley Concert Band**  
*The Friendly Band!*

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
7.00pm

Audience participation

Come dressed as your favourite  
character from a film or musical  
Prize for best adult and best child

Refreshments available during interval  
No ticket required - just turn up. Collection on Exit

### Pupil Premium

If you are in receipt of benefits such as universal credit, your child may be entitled to free school meals or subsidised/free school trips. Please apply online at <https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/student-pupil-support/free-school-meals-and-extra-support-for-your-child>. It's very easy to check and we receive funding for your child too.

### Flu Vaccinations

All children in school from Reception to Yr 6 will be eligible for the flu nasal spray this year. Our allocated day is Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November. I have attached a letter from the NHS explaining to parents that you will register on line this year. The NHS will send us a unique number for our school to enable you to register. As soon as we receive that number, I will forward it to you all. We also have some posters to go up to explain what you need to do.

**PLEASE CHECK DATES-NEW  
DATES ADDED-THANK YOU**

## **Dates – Autumn 2019**

16/9/19	Yr 4 Meet the Teacher Meeting – 9:15am – Lower Hall
17/9/19	Yr 2 Meet the Teacher Meeting – 9:15am – Lower Hall
18/9/19	Yr 2 Trip – Horniman Museum (Bongo and Didgeridoo Class)
19/9/19	Yr 2 Trip – Horniman Museum (Castanets Class) African drumming workshop
20/9/19	Photographer in – Individual photographs
28/9/19	SANDALLS WELCOME FAYRE
2/10/19	Bikeability – Dr Bike in all day
3/10/19	Gamelan Trip – Royal Festival Hall
7/10/19	Bikeability – Yr 5 (24 pupils)
8/10/19	Yr 3 Trip – Creekside Environmental Centre (Bowie Class) Photographer in – Individual photographs
9/10/19	Yr 3 Trip – Creekside Environmental Centre (Ska Class) 9:10am – Yr 6 Secondary application support – Mrs Dove’s Office
10/10/19	Yr 3 Trip – Creekside Environmental Centre (Abba Class) 9:10am – Yr 6 Secondary application support – Mrs Dove’s Office 3:15pm - Yr 6 Secondary application support – Mrs Dove’s Office
11/10/19	Yr 3 Trip – Creekside Environmental Centre (Jazz Class)
15/10/19	Yr 5 Production to parents – 9:15am – Lower Hall
16/10/19	Open Evening – Individual parent/ teacher meetings
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18/10/19	<b>BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM</b>
28/10/19	<b>BACK TO SCHOOL</b>
4/11/19	Yr 2 Trip - Fire Station (Didgeridoo Class)
6/11/19	Yr 2 Trip – Fire Station (Bongo Class)
8/11/19	Yr 2 Trip – Fire Station (Castanets Class)
11/11/19	Reception & Yr 6 Height and Weight Measurement Programme Life Bus arrives (all week)
13/11/19	Yr 2 Great Fire of London Workshop
18/11/19	Yr 5 Trip – Science Museum
19/11/19	Flu vaccinations – Whole School
3/12/19	Yr 5 Trip – British Museum
6/12/19	Sandalls Christmas Fayre
10/12/19	KS1 Carol Concert for Parents – pm
11/12/19	KS1 Carol Concert for Parents – am Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
12/12/19	Carols by Candlelight – KS 2 Choir – 7:00pm
17/12/19	Yr 3 Nativity Production – pm
18/12/19	Yr 3 Nativity Production – am Class Parties – pm
19/12/19	St Andrew’s Church Service – pm <b>BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS</b>
6/1/20	<b>RETURN TO SCHOOL</b>