

# SANDRINGHAM NEWS

Nurture Enrich Inspire

Friday 6th November 2020



## Message from Mrs Money

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term. I hope that you all enjoyed some lovely family time last week despite the wet weather!

As you are of course aware we are now in a National Lockdown and Headteachers received guidance on 'schools opening' late on Wednesday afternoon. There are a few amendments to our risk assessment, however we are fundamentally continuing in the same way as we have been doing previously and the great news is that school is to remain open. Our breakfast club and after school club will also remain open and our strict cleaning, sanitising and hand washing regimes will continue to be paramount in keeping our school community as safe as possible. Please ensure that you read the parent update sent out today from Christine Dickinson as this includes further details on these most recent Government guidelines.

Thank you for wearing masks when in the school grounds and when speaking to teachers and office staff. Teachers are still keen to ensure that children see their smiley, welcoming faces and continue to be reluctant to wear face masks. However, without them I can't remain open so we have decided that from next Monday they will all wear visors at the start and end of the school day. This will strive to keep them safe whilst also ensuring that the children can see them properly! Thank you all for your support in this.

To ensure that drop off/collections are safe for us all please can I ask the following:

- Only one adult coming into school for drop/collections
- You wait until your allotted time to enter the school for drop/collection. If you are early please wait away from the pedestrian gates
- You don't congregate with other families in the line or in the car park
- Your children stay with you at all times when lining up. They are not permitted to play in the car park or on the grassy areas by the path
- You adhere to social distancing guidance with each other and staff at all times.
- Do not pass the drop off/collection points to approach staff
- Drop/collect promptly and wait until the end of the line if you wish to speak further with staff to prevent the flow of drop offs slowing. Staff will ask you to join them on the grassed area to ensure social distancing

But most importantly please can I ask that as a community we support each other. If you are struggling, need support or just want to talk to someone in these challenging times please reach out to us and to one another. Our school community is a family and supporting each other is what we do best... no one needs to feel alone at anytime but especially during the next few weeks.

If you haven't already watched our promotional video I highly recommend it to make you smile. It works for me every time! Please also share it with anyone who is looking for a school place for Reception next September.

You will find it on our school website under our school/explore our school.

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### PLEASE REMEMBER

#### SCHOOL DAY

Reception - 8.40 - 3pm

Year 1 & 2- 8.50 - 3.10pm

Friday - Reception: 12.45  
Year 1 & 2: 1pm

Nursery - as per your child's arranged sessions  
Please be prompt for drop off and collection but only join the line at your child's allotted time.

#### COLDER WEATHER

Please ensure that your child has a named coat, hat and gloves in school at all times during colder weather. They will also need named wellies in school so that they are allowed on the field.

#### NEW RECEPTION PHOTO

A photo of the new Reception children will be in the Aldershot News and Mail on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November. Don't forget to buy your copy!

#### INSET DAYS

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July  
1 further INSET date for the Spring term TBC



## Autumn Term diary dates

### Week of 9<sup>th</sup> November - Diwali week

Children will learn all about the festival of light and how families celebrate Diwali. If you are celebrating Diwali as a family it would be wonderful if your children came to school in traditional dress on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> for our class assemblies.

### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance

We will be holding a 2 minute silence across the whole school to acknowledge Remembrance day.

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need

Children are invited to come to school in mufti or Children in Need merchandise with a small donation towards the appeal if you would like to.

### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Magical Maths Week

Week full of exciting mathematical themed activities for all the children.

### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November - Flu immunisations

Please refer to email already sent.

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Reindeer Run in school event in aid of the Phyllis Tuckwell Trust. More information to be sent home on 18<sup>th</sup> November.

### Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December - Christingle celebrations and school Christmas lunch

More information to follow nearer the time.

### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December - National Christmas Jumper day

Children and staff to wear a Christmas jumper instead of their school jumper along with rest of uniform as normal. This will get us all into the Christmas spirit!

Reception Nativity - we are hoping that a Nativity in some form will still be possible but this will be dependant on Government guidelines nearer the time. We will keep you informed.

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas party day

Children to come to school in their party clothes for lots of fun and games in their year group bubbles.

### Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December - End of term

12.45 - Nursery and Reception  
1pm - Year 1 and Year 2

**Please note end of term timings are for ALL children.**  
**There will be no 'Friday club' on this date.**

## SCHOOL GOVERNORS

Thank you to the Year 1 and 2 Child Governors who have helped choose new resources for the school at their last meeting with Mrs Robinson.

Today I had the absolute pleasure of watching the children (from the classroom doors!) deliver their Child Governor speeches to their classes. They were all fantastic and we were very proud of them. Voting is for children only and results will be announced on Monday next week. This is not only a wonderful opportunity for children to gain confidence in speaking in front of an audience but also helps them gain an understanding of democracy.

Reception children will have the opportunity to take part in this election process on the next voting day in March 2021 when a new group of Child Governors are elected.



Socially distanced Child Governor meeting with Year 1 and Year 2

Year 1 children choosing new resources for our school



## CHILDREN IN NEED

This year we will be acknowledging the Children in Need fundraising appeal by inviting all children to come into school in their own clothes or children in need merchandise.

On Friday 13th November, children will learn about the background to this appeal and where any donations will be sent.



## SCHOOL FUND

Thank you to the 65 families who have already made their school fund donations. Without this fund we are unable to provide the lovely extra resources and experiences throughout the year so really do appreciate your support.

As per my letter regarding the school fund donations last years spend included;

- Whole school panto
- Road safety show
- Healthy carnival smoothie bar
- Theatre workshops
- Topic resources for babies, around the world, space, Chinese New Year, Victorians
- Maths resources
- Super scientist day resources
- Lego boxes for whole school
- Christmas art resources, party treats and gifts from Father Christmas