

Friday 15th December 2023



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Infant & Nursery Academy

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Dear parents and carers,

We have come to the end of our first term and what a busy term it has been! We have had visits from Father Christmas, attended our PTA Christmas fayre, completed the Reindeer Run, held this year's first set of parents' evenings and met lots of new prospective families in our Reception open mornings. I think we are all ready for a well-deserved break!

It has been lovely to welcome so many parents, carers, grandparents and relatives to see our Reception nativity performances this week. The children absolutely loved performing to the audiences and all sang so beautifully. We are all exceptionally proud of them and the hard work they put into this.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff at Sandringham who work tirelessly to ensure that the children receive not only the very best academic education but also pastoral care. We are exceptionally fortunate to have such a fantastic staffing team! Following the last couple of weeks' very cold temperatures, we must also pass our thanks to the premises team, especially Mr Cooper and Mr Stott, who have worked hard to ensure the site is safe for all of our children.

Another huge thank you must go to our PTA, who have run numerous events already this year, including our school discos and our Christmas fayre. Their vital work provides significant extra funding for the school every year and I am delighted to announce that they have already raised £1,900 for additional school projects!

I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas. Have a happy and healthy holiday; we look forward to seeing you all again on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.



Take care,

Mr Lodge

### **Star of the Week and Core Values Awards**

A huge well done to all of these superstars for winning a Star of the Week or Core Values award!

#### **Star of the Week**

Nelly, Harry, Nevaeh, Alexander, Mara, Alfie, Dexter, Rohika,  
Aarav, Cartis, Archie, Leo

#### **Core Values**

Caleb, Ariana, Samuel, Reevea,  
Harriet, Emery, Amaan





# General updates

### Diary updates:

#### Spring 1

Tuesday 2nd January 2024—start of term

Monday 8th January 2024—prospective Reception parent open morning (9:15am)

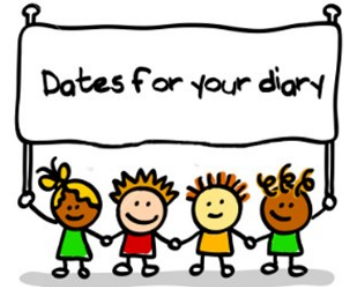
Tuesday 9th January 2024—Reception parent coffee afternoon (2:30pm)

Monday 15th January 2024—INSET day (Nursery and academy closed to all children)

Thursday 1st February 2024—parent information afternoon (2:00pm)

Friday 9th February—Sports for Schools athlete visit and workshop (further details to follow)

Friday 9th February 2024—end of half term



### Staffing updates

We are delighted to inform you that, from January, Mrs Dee Hughes will be working with us as our Executive Head Teacher at Sandringham. Mrs Hughes has already spent time at the academy and is looking forward to working more closely with us in the new year.

We are sad to share the news that Mrs Roberts has made the decision to leave Sandringham after the Christmas holidays in order to further develop her expertise in supporting children with SEND in a more specialist setting. Mrs Roberts has been a valued member of our staffing team since 2017 and, although we are excited for her to further her career, we will miss her. We wish her all the very best in the future!



### Attendance

**Whole school target: 97%**

**Year-to-date whole school attendance: 95.9%**

#### **Class group attendance:**

Moles —94.6%

Hedgehogs — 96.5%

Squirrels — 96.6%

Owls — 95.1%

Rabbits — 95.9%

Foxes — 96.1%





# Out of school achievements

Sienna recently achieved her stage 1 learn to swim swimming badge. She has worked really hard to get it and loves her swimming lessons. A huge well done for your amazing achievement, Sienna!

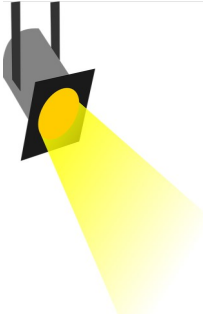


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# Spotlight on KS1...



This week, the spotlight is on our **year 1 and year 2 classes.**

Year 1 have been learning all about painting. We started off learning about the primary colours and how two of these could be mixed together to make secondary colours. We then extended our learning to find out about the colour wheel and how some colours are harmonious and some are complimentary. We are also slightly changing the layout of our classrooms after Christmas, so that everyone can see the board when they are sat at their tables. When we work in groups, we will move our tables together and when we do circle time and drama activities, we will move the tables to the side of our classroom so that we have lots of space!



In year 2, we have been learning about light and what it means to different religions of the world. We have learnt about Hanukkah, Diwali and Christmas and how light is represented in different ways for each of them. The children have been able to make some fantastic links about the similarities and differences in each of these religions!



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# Sandringham

## Infant & Nursery Academy



**Is your child starting school in  
September 2024?**



**We would love to invite you to visit our fantastic  
Infant & Nursery Academy!**

This will include a welcome presentation from our  
senior leadership team and a tour of the school.

**Please book your space via the QR code:**



**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 – 9:15am**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – 9:15am**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – 9:15am**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – 1.30pm**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – 9:15am**



**Don't forget, if you are applying for a place in Reception for September 2025, the deadline for applications is  
Monday 15th January 2024.**

If you live in Surrey, you can find further information about school admissions and apply online here (<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions>) or you can call 0300 200 1004. If you live in Hampshire, you can find further information about school admissions and apply online here (<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions>) or you can call 0300 555 1377.



# Sandringham

## Infant & Nursery Academy

### Kite Academy Trust Kite Family Hub

### Transition Support Videos

A pre-recorded workshop for parents and carers,  
offering practical advice and strategies to support children to  
prepare for school transitions

This is a three part workshop:

- Part 1— Introduction/general information regarding transition
- Part 2—Transition to Infant/Primary School
- Part 3—Transition to Secondary School

These practical strategies focus on preparing children for transitions (i.e. moving to a new year group or school) but will be transferable to other changes and periods of transition children may face



The recordings are available on our website and can be accessed by clicking on the links below:

**Part1**

[https://kiteacademy.sharepoint.com/:v:/s/homelearning/EYmUIXxHMchKtRYireC7xhsB10jO\\_UymT\\_cIMjYkYIIIRg?e=Vh1gul](https://kiteacademy.sharepoint.com/:v:/s/homelearning/EYmUIXxHMchKtRYireC7xhsB10jO_UymT_cIMjYkYIIIRg?e=Vh1gul)

**Part2**

<https://kiteacademy.sharepoint.com/:v:/s/homelearning/EaKXCXsEevFLvQr2vOzeYkiB9rkk8JvKUP1L7MY9hISD7Q?e=UEU0kF>

**Part3**

<https://kiteacademy.sharepoint.com/:v:/s/homelearning/EVTTACQF-15DobQx-FHLkOQBLgpuWQHvrk5aebG81uLk1A?e=pM9kMT>

If you have any further questions on transitions or would like to discuss anything else, please contact us on: [fsw@kite.academy](mailto:fsw@kite.academy)

You can also book onto a Come & Ask session, which is a one hour appointment that can be held face to face, over the phone or virtually. Please email our team on [fsw@kite.academy](mailto:fsw@kite.academy) and we can arrange a convenient date and time

The Kite Family Hub is located next to Mytchett Primary & Nursery Academy, Hamesmoor Road, Mytchett, GU16 6JB



# Sandringham

## Infant & Nursery Academy

### Kite Academy Trust Term Dates & Holidays

2023-2024



**September 2023**

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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**October 2023**

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**November 2023**

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**December 2023**

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**January 2024**

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**February 2024**

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**March 2024**

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**April 2024**

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**May 2024**

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**June 2024**

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**July 2024**

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- Start of Term
- End of Term
- Academy Holidays
- Inset Day
- Public Holiday
- Kite Academy Trust Holiday

Please note: Additional INSET days are to be added