

# SANDFIELD NEWS



November 2018

## Headteacher Message

### Snack Sales

At Sandfield, each class has a snack sale which takes place on a Wednesday after school. Parents of the class bring in donations of food which is sold at the snack sale to all parents in the playground at the end of the school day.

Donations include cakes (homemade or shop brought) and in the past have also included popcorn, fresh fruit kebabs, homemade biscuits.

The funds raised from the sales are divided with 10% going to charity (chosen by the Junior Leadership Team for each year), 40% to the class and 50% to the school. The class money is used to offset against the cost of class trips and the purchase of extra-curriculum activities that can not be met by the school (i.e. cooking, DT etc). The remaining amount helps with the purchase of larger items for the school and last year £1850 was used to help with the cost of the low level trim trail area.

### Medical Appointments

I have been noticing that more and more children are being taken out of school again for non-emergency medical appointments. Routine dentist and doctor appointments must be made for after school or in the school holidays. For any appointments that have to be made in school time (e.g. hospital appointments), please ensure that a small yellow absence request form is completed, these are available from the office foyer and a copy is on the school website. The school also requires proof of any appointments made, please ask your doctor or dentist for this.

### Parents Evenings

I would like to say a huge thank you to all parents and carers that attended Parents Evenings this month. The feedback was extremely positive and your comments are very useful in helping the SLT steer the school forward. Please can I remind those parents that were unable to attend that you will still need to make an appointment directly with your child's class teacher to discuss progress and next steps.

### Christmas at Sandfield

The school diary is packed over the next 3 weeks with lots of exciting events taking place, including the Christmas Fair, KS1 Nativity, whole school Christmas lunch and ending in the wonderful Carols by Candlelight at Grace Church in Chertsey Street on the last day of term. We hope you are all able to attend as many of the community events as possible, the pupils in the choir and Key Stage 1 have been working very hard to make this time of the a wonderful celebration.

Kindest regards  
Mr Kirkham



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## Dates for Your Diary

### Monday 3

Jolly jars and donations for the Christmas Fair in from today  
07:45 Planet Soccer Gym Club  
15:15 Art and Craft Club  
15:20 Homework Club - Years 2 to 6  
15:25 RGS Multiskills Club

### Tuesday 4

07:55 Sports4Kids - Hockey  
08:30 Year 6 Trip to the Science Museum  
8:30am-5:30pm  
13:30 Swimming Lessons for Year 2 & Year 3 Pupils  
15:15 Guildford Shakespeare Drama Club  
15:15 Le Club Francais  
15:15 Sport4Kids - SK4 Football Academy GIRLS

### Wednesday 5

Deadline for Pupil's Decorations (homework) to be brought in (red and silver only)  
07:55 Sport4Kids - Netball  
13:30 Year 6 Trip to the Royal Grammar School 1:30pm-4:00pm  
15:15 Sport4Kids - SK4 Football Academy BOYS  
15:15 Mavericks Martial Arts  
15:15 Snack Sale: EYFS & Year 1

### Thursday 6

Mufti Day for the Christmas Fair  
07:55 Sport4Kids - Tag Rugby  
14:45 KS1 Birthday Assembly with Mrs Whiting  
**17:00 Christmas Fair**

### Friday 7

Christmas Dinner Order deadline  
07:55 Sports4Kids Dodgeball Club  
08:45 Coffee Morning for all Sandfield Parents and Carers  
13:15 Year 4 String Scheme  
15:15 All Star Choir  
15:15 Sport4Kids - Cross Country KS2



### Late Children

Please can we remind all parents that children who are late in the mornings and late being collected from school at the end of the day must be signed in or out at the office.

### Office Hours

The school office is open to parents from 8:35am-3:45pm every day apart from Friday when we close at 3:30pm.

If you need to report a child's absence or that they will be late, please telephone the main school number on **01483 566586** or email the school office at [sandfieldmail@sandfield.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:sandfieldmail@sandfield.surrey.sch.uk)

The uniform shop is open on Thursday mornings from 8:35am-9:00am. Alternatively, you can order any available items online.

### School Opening Times

The main school gate (York Road entrance) opens at 8:35am each day. The bell rings at 8:45am and any child that is late must be escorted into the school office to be signed in.

## Meet the Staff

### Mrs Helen Holloway - Year 1 Class Teacher

I love living here in Guildford with my family . I have worked with children (and families) in a variety of settings here in Surrey and in London. Having previously worked in Early years I am really enjoying teaching your children here at Sandfield in Year 1. We have an exciting year ahead and I am looking forward to continuing on this journey with your children (and you).

### Mathematics at Sandfield - Maths Lead Simon Godber

Over this term we have been developing a more child-friendly approach to our teaching and learning in maths.

Our pupils are using many manipulative resources to support their number work. So for example, they will use Numicon or multilink to represent a number sentence. These resources have been proven to help children become more fluent and confident when working with number. Our teaching now reflects this progression by giving the children exposure to fluency, problem solving and reasoning within the same lesson alongside a bank of resources.

### The Role of the Home School Link Worker—Lucy Lidstrom

I have been at Sandfield for just over a term now and have really enjoyed getting to know the school community.

I grew up in Surrey, and after spending some years abroad, teaching and Travelling, I moved back to Godalming.

I have worked in the SEN department at Surrey County Council for the last 14 years, so am now really enjoying being back in a school environment.

As a HSLW I work with parents and other agencies to support families; aiming to reduce current stressful situations, prevent future difficulties, improve attendance and punctuality and promote positive behaviour. I have also completed my ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) training. I am using my knowledge from this to enable the children I work with to be happy and secure when at school, so that they can access the many opportunities available to them in the most effective way.

I am in school on the following days should any parent or carers like to book an appointment to see me:

Monday 9:00am-12:15pm

Wednesday 8:30am-3:15pm

Thursday 8:15am –12:15pm

Friday 8:30am-12 noon.



## Surrey County Council Admissions Policy Consultation 2020-2021

Surrey County Council is consulting on:

- proposed changes to admission arrangements for some community and voluntary controlled schools for September 2020
  - the admission arrangements for all remaining community and voluntary controlled schools for September 2020
  - Surrey's relevant area - this is the area within which schools must consult on their admission arrangements
- Full details of the consultation and the changes being proposed are available at:

[Surrey Says \(www.surreysays.co.uk\)](http://www.surreysays.co.uk)

The changes being proposed are as follows:

1. **Furze Field Primary School** – reduction in published admission number for Reception from 60 to 58
2. **Wallace Fields Junior School** – change to the points used to measure each child's nearest school and home to school distance so these will be calculated according to the nearest gate for either Wallace Fields Infant or Wallace Fields Junior school rather than just those for Wallace Fields Junior School
3. **Criterion 2 for children with an exceptional social/medical need** – provision for children previously in state care outside England to be given priority within this criterion

The consultation will run until **Monday 19 November 2018**. Anyone wishing to submit their views should complete an online response form. Alternatively paper response forms are available by telephoning the Surrey Schools and Childcare Service on 0300 200 1004. Please note that only response forms which are fully completed with the respondent's name and address will be accepted.

After the closing date, responses will be collated and presented to Surrey County Council's decision making Cabinet on 29 January 2019. Its decision will then need to be ratified by the full County Council on 5 February 2019. Once determined the final admission arrangements will be placed on Surrey's website at:

[www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions).

## School Information and Reminders

Please can we remind everyone that deadline for pupil's decorations for the Christmas Tree that was set for homework is the morning of **Wednesday 5th December 2018**. Please remember that these must be in red and silver only.

**Year 4 and 6 Residential Instalments - due on or before 30th November 2018**

**Christmas Dinner Order deadline - 7th December 2018 at the latest - no late orders**

**Thursday 6th December 2018 - NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS TODAY**

Mufti Day - Thursday 6th December - children can come to school in their own clothes and bring wine and chocolates for the fair.

We would like to say a huge thank you to you all as the PTA fund has enabled us to buy enough new headphones and splitters for both key stages. The children will be delighted and these will definitely help to support their learning. Thank you!



## Message from the PTA

### Christmas Fair news!

You may have noticed on Facebook that our **Sandfield tea towels** have been delivered. They are brilliant! So many talented children have contributed to making them & they will make lovely Christmas presents or parents, grandparents, carers...anyone, really! They will be on sale at the fair, so please make sure you get yours...once they're gone, they're gone.

All of the entries to the **Stars competition** are now hung up in the Learning Lab & they look beautiful. The Senior Leadership Team will be awarding prizes for the most creative stars at the fair - we wish everyone who has entered good luck!

We have some very exciting **raffle prizes** this year, including vouchers for hotels, meals & shopping, hampers, theatre tickets & bottles of fizz! Tickets will go on sale next week in the playground - please make sure you're 'in it to win it'!

Starting on Monday 3rd December, you can bring in your **wine & chocolates** for the grown-ups tombola, and your **Jolly Jars**. Both of these stalls are always really popular, & they rely on your donations to stock them. There will be collection boxes in the foyer of the KS2 building.

Your donations also make a huge difference to the Refreshments stall. We would love as many parents as possible to **bake (or buy) a nut-free cake**. Please bring them in on Thursday 6th December.

As always, **we need plenty of volunteers** to make the fair a success; loads of fun for the children & a good fund raiser for our school. The sign-up sheets are now in the office & you can also comment on Facebook if you're unable to get into the office. **Please consider giving a little of your time**, whether ahead of the event, at the fair, or afterwards. Every little really does help & it won't happen without you!

Finally, at the fair you will be able to pay in cash or buy tokens. We will do our best to have plenty of change on every stall but we'd strongly advise you to **bring plenty of coins!** A couple of the stalls will be cash only - importantly, the prosecco stall will be!

Many thanks  
Ashley, Sophie and Fran



### JUNIOR SKILLS CAMPS at Guildford HC

**HAVE SOME SERIOUS FUN WHILE PUSHING  
YOUR HOCKEY TO THE NEXT LEVEL**

During school holidays we offer fun-filled junior camps with challenging skills, drills and games coached by double-Olympian **Dan Fox** and other top coaches. Each holiday we offer one or two days for all ages and abilities plus a focused afternoon session for age 14+ at a more intensive level for the older, stronger players wishing to really push themselves. For current dates and more information please visit the junior pages of our website at [guildfordhc.com](http://guildfordhc.com)

GKs welcome to all sessions!



Fortitude also run dedicated GK camps at Charterhouse School - check the website for upcoming dates and further details: [fortitudehockey.com](http://fortitudehockey.com)



## Community News

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