



Sandhurst Primary School

Newsletter
Autumn Term
16th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very busy week here at Sandhurst, we now have our full complement of Reception pupils, the Nursery is filling up each day and all the children are really starting to settle. I did my first new Reception tour this morning, walking around school I was very proud of all your children. They were working hard, focused and loving their learning.

Today we have held a remembrance assembly in both halls to remember Queen Elizabeth 11, please don't forget that Monday has been made a Bank Holiday, so there is no school at all on Monday. We will see you all on Tuesday morning. The playground may be a little disrupted on Tuesday and Wednesday, as the remainder of our new playground equipment is being fitted, so please bear with us if we have to closed certain areas of the playground.

I will return to adding each Year groups learning from next week, teachers are still very busy ensuring all children are settled into their new classes. Thank you to all those that have attended the 'Meet the Teacher' meetings. We just have Yr 5 and Reception meetings still to go. We do have some items that have been left after the meetings, we have two black umbrellas and a pair of airpods. If you have lost these please see the office.

Autumn Fair (Saturday 24th 12-3pm)

Thank you for all the raffle tickets bought this week - great to see our new card readers getting lots of use (we will be taking card payments and cash at the fair next Saturday). We will be selling tickets morning and afternoon all next week - and plan to bring tickets and card readers to the nursery gate on Wednesday morning at 9am.

It's been lovely to see all the donations coming in for the fair. Here is a reminder of the main things we need for our circus themed fair next Saturday (24th):

Donations: Here are our most urgent needs!

- Bottles or treats for our luxury tombola
- Cakes for our tea room (bring in on Friday 23rd or to the fair)
- Cuddly toys for our soft toy tombola
- Chipped or unwanted plates, bowls, and mugs for our crockery smashing stall!
- Good condition toys, games, kids books for our toy stall
- Good condition school uniform for our second hand uniform stall

Donations can be brought in to our stall by the main gate at drop off or pickup every day next week.

Helpers - could you spare a couple of hours to help on a game or at one of our stalls - we are still at least 20 people short of where we need to be to run all of the games we would like to - if you can help please sign up at the school gate (morning or afternoon) or email sandallspta@gmail.com

Reception 2023 Tours

If your child is due to start Reception next September and you would like to join one of our Open Days before making your application, please visit our Website www.sandhurstprimary.lewisham.sch.uk to view the available dates. Please contact the school office with your preferred date in good time as spaces fill up fast.

Uniform and Water Bottles

We already have items in our lost property which are unnamed and so cannot be returned. Please, please ensure any item which can be removed by your child is clearly labelled. Please also name water bottles as they too can be misplaced.

Year 4 swimming

As was mentioned in the recent "Y4 Meet the Teacher" meeting, we have arranged for Year 4 to have their swimming lessons at Glass Mill Leisure Centre in Lewisham during the summer term. We will send out more information about your child's class arrangements nearer the time. We travel there by bus and TfL do not provide free Group Travel to schoolchildren travelling by public transport for swimming lessons. As you know, children under 10 can usually travel free without an Oyster card with their parent/carer. However, when travelling as a group, the same rules don't apply. We

would ask that you apply for a 5-10 Zip card for your child before next June. There is a one-off application fee. If you would like help with this payment, please contact Mrs Manso (admin@sandhurstprimary.lewisham.sch.uk).

Year 3 Freshwater Drama Workshops

An email has been sent home with information about the "Ages of Early Man" class workshops to be held in school on 11/10/22.

Girls Football

If any parents would be interested in helping to run the Girls football team on Saturdays from October we would absolutely love to hear from you? One dad has, very kindly, said he would be able to do it but would like another parent to help/support. If you are that person please speak to Mr Wilkes.

Yr 1 Mud Kitchen

Year 1 Everglades Class love using a mud kitchen in our outside area. However, at the moment it is a working progress and literally just a table! Is there any handy person who is able to help and possibly even build and create something wonderful for our children to use and explore? I have seen ones made from wood pallets before and know there are lots of talented parents out there! The children and I would be extremely grateful. If you are able to help please get in touch with Mrs Partleton via email svause.209@lgflmail.org. Thank you so much!

Polio Vaccinations

I wanted to inform you that Lewisham PCN partnership are now offering the Polio vaccination at their clinics on 17th 9-1 2-5pm, 21st 9-1pm and the 24th 9-1pm 2-5pm, Goldsmiths Community Centre, Castillon Road SE6 1QD_

Adult Learning Lewisham

One of our lovely parents works for Adult Learning Lewisham and they are really trying to promote their family learning classes this term. They are running lots of new interesting courses including music, rhyme, baby yoga, toddler cooking, arts and crafts and also some adult only parenting skills classes. I have attached a leaflet. Please do take a look.

Being a parent – enjoying family life

A message from this organisation

“Happy Friday! I hope you are well. Thank you for your help in sharing the Being a Parent-Enjoying Family Life project with your school. This is a gentle reminder that there is one week left for parents to sign up to the groups and we have 6 spaces still available. It would be fantastic if you could share again information about the project with parents and caregivers at your school.

Here’s some feedback from parents from our previous groups:

- There was a shift from me reading a book to actually feeling put in the situation where I could understand emotionally how it would affect my child
- The other big benefit of the course was the sense of solidarity, that other parents were going through the same issues, challenges and feelings - despite all being very different.

Parents & caregivers can register their interest

here: https://kclbs.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3luWeTjmKHZaKYC or contact me (ellie.baker@kcl.ac.uk) for more questions.

Lewisham Junior Orchestra makes its long awaited return this half term holiday, so come and join Lewisham Music for two days of exciting orchestral music making!

25 October, 9am-3.30pm and 26 October, 9.30am-4pm

Lewisham Junior Orchestra provides a great opportunity for young musicians to develop their instrumental skills and learn new arrangements under the expert leadership of professional cellist, Thibault Blanchard-Dubois, experienced Lewisham Music musicians, and this year we will be joined by some amazing musicians from London Symphony Orchestra.

Who is Lewisham Junior Orchestra suitable for...

Young musicians in Years 4 to 8 (inclusive) who play strings, woodwind, brass and percussion (tuned and untuned percussion) at Grade 1 standard and above (no formal grades required). Unfortunately, we are unable to accept piano applications.

Cost

£50 (£10 for young people in receipt of Pupil Premium or Looked After Children)

Places are limited so please click the button below to sign up ASAP!

SIGN UP THIS WAY

Local Youth Club

We have a local free youth club based in the Lewisham Irish Community Centre in Catford and they have space open for the new academic year.

They welcome children aged 8 years and over, from 4 pm to 7 pm during school term times.

Please find attached some information including our address and contact details, I have also attached a sign up for if anyone is interested.

Lots of different information in the newsletter this week. Please keep sending in those donations for the Autumn fair, keep adding your names to the volunteer list. I look forward to seeing lots of you there next Saturday. I hope you all have a good weekend, especially as we see such a historical period ending for us all on Monday. See you all on Tuesday.

Yours truly

Mrs R A Dove
(Headteacher)