



Weekly Newsletter



News Story of the Week

Should mobile phones be banned in all classrooms?



Ministers have confirmed plans to ban the use of mobile phones in English schools and have released guidance for headteachers. The guidance is not statutory and offers schools different ways of introducing the ban. These include an order to leave all phones at home, handing them in on arrival, keeping them in inaccessible lockers or allowing pupils to keep them, on the condition they are not used or heard.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your experience of mobile phones and other portable devices. Do you use them at home or at school? Do you enjoy using them?
- Discuss with people at home your thoughts on the new guidance. Do you all agree that mobile phones should be banned in secondary school classrooms?

Well Done!



A huge well done to our Headteacher Award winners last Friday who enjoyed a hot chocolate with Mrs Bertram.

Our winners were Joseph & George (Reception), Mason (Year 1), Archie (Year 2), Archie (Year 3), Elsie & Benjamin (Year 4), Isaac (Year 5) and Emily & Max (Year 6).

All our winners showed our core value of Respect over the week.





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Blue Peter Badges



Well done to our Key Stage 2 children who received their Blue Peter book badges last week following on from their work at book club in Autumn term. The children worked hard to complete tasks such as book reviews, front cover designs, making bookmarks and reading to others to achieve this.



Year 6 PGL Residential Trip

Year 6 had a wonderful time at PGL two weeks ago. So many of them conquered their fears and wowed the instructors and Sandiway staff alike. We were so proud of them for working hard whilst having so much fun. They were praised many times for being one of the best groups PGL staff members have ever worked with. Well done year 6!

"It was great fun. There were so many things to do and the rooms (with heated floors) were great!" – Evie Y6

"I had a great time. The activities were really good and I especially like the indoor climbing and the food was really nice!"
Max CG Y6

"I had a great time at PGL it was heaps of fun and the food was really really nice! If you go be careful of the Giant Swing because the rope at the back will send you flying." Emily Y6





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This week the children have been enjoying their new reading area in the shelter!



Well done!

We are so proud of Thomas Limer from Year 3 who has also received his Bronze Award, the highest you can get in Beavers. Well done Thomas!



More Sporting Success!

Last week, I had the pleasure of accompanying an enthusiastic team of eleven athletes from years 5 and 6, to take part in the Weaverham Cluster Cross Country event, held at Weaverham High School.

With a total of 48 participants, Sandiway dominated the race from the start. George, Ethan, Will, William and Carter held the first 5 positions throughout the challenging 1 mile race with our other remaining runners following close behind. Freya took a fabulous first place in the girl's competition too.

The determination, enthusiasm and encouragement of each other filled me with pride as each team member crossed the line. Our success has now gained us a place at the Vale Royal Semi final. Good luck Sandiway!

Mrs Tucker





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World Book Day

Last week we celebrated World Book Day which was a great success. The children loved wearing their words and explaining what they meant. We welcomed author Straun Murray and he did a fantastic talk to years 4 -6. They were all completely spellbound listening to how he came up with his ideas.



3 Things to celebrate this week



- Celebrating the wonderful world of science through our Science Week here at Sandiway.
- The determination and enthusiasm of our Year 5&6 Cross Country Runners.
- Our Year 6 children who were wonderful ambassadors for the entirety of their PGL trip.

3 Things to remember



- Parents Evening Tuesday 19th & 20th March.
- Please can we ask that trainers are only worn on PE days.
- Don't forget to use your World Book Day vouchers and enjoy a lovely book!



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Dates for the Diary

Monday 18th March — Choir 3.20pm—4.20pm

Monday 18th March —Football 3.20pm—4.10pm

Monday 18th March —Class Photographs for Reception & Year 6 only

Tuesday 19th March — Netball 3.20pm—4.20pm

Tuesday 19th March & Wednesday 20th — Parents Evening

Wednesday 20th March —Art Club 3.20pm—4.20pm

Wednesday 20th March — Catz Club 3.20pm—4.20pm

Wednesday 20th March — Y3 Swimming

Thursday 21st March — Year 2 Forest School

Thursday 21st March - Friendship Club — 3.20pm – 4.20pm

Thursday 21st March – Gingerbread Socks—World Down Syndrome Day

Thursday 21st March—Tag Rugby 3.20pm—4.20pm

Friday 22nd March—Year 1 Trip to Eureka Science Centre