



News Story of the Week



Y5 Bikeability

Year 5 have had a great time working towards their level 1 and level 2 Bikeability award this week. The children have learnt how to complete safety checks on their bikes, manoeuvre in and out of small spaces and learn hand signals. Once they had achieved this, the children went out into Sandiway village to put their learning into practise. Well done, Year 5!

Deaf Support Network Assembly

This week, we welcomed Lisa, Amber and Beth from the Deaf Support Network in Northwich into assembly. Lisa shared her story of what it is like to be deaf and taught us some new signs. She shared the positive aspects of being deaf and wants to raise awareness of deaf issues. Hopefully, the ladies will be running an after school club here at Sandiway in the Summer term so look out for information about that in the coming weeks!

Poster Competition

Local children are being invited to tap into their imaginations for a **poster competition** linked to **Deaf Awareness**Week. Deaf Awareness week aims to increase public awareness of Deaf issues, people and culture, emphasizing the positive aspects of deafness, encouraging social inclusion and raising awareness of the organisations locally and nationally that support those who are deaf.

We are asking the children to **design, draw and colour** what they think being deaf aware is. Each overall winner will receive a prize and the winning entries will be featured in our community road show and local paper and social media.

Please return your competition entries to **Miss Burns** by **Thursday 28th March** with **your name and age** on. Miss
Burns will then send them on to the **Deaf Support Network**.



Menu updates

When we return after half term, we will be on Week 1. Mark has enhanced our menu and we will be offering a 3 week menu moving forward. Please see attached. This information will also be uploaded to the website and pre-orders will be available from Saturday 17th February.

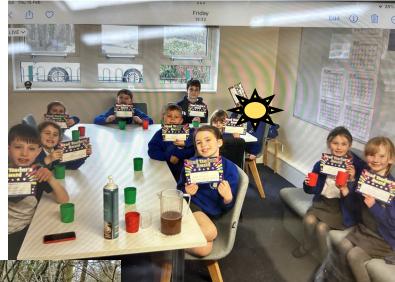




Well done!

Our Head teacher's awards this week for showing Respect were earned by:

Elsi and Kaia (Reception) Charlie and Zayne (Y1), Lilah and Harry (Y2), Amelia and Alice (Y3), Eilidh (Y4), Noah (Y5) and Callum (Y6)



Cheshire Forest School

What a fantastic half-term Year 4 have had in forest school with Mrs Rogers from *Cheshireforestschool*. The children have learnt lots of life long skills. They have learnt all about fire safety, whittling, teambuilding and a whole range of different skills. They have really enjoyed their time embracing the out-

doors and connecting with nature. The children have also thoroughly enjoyed getting muddy, messy and roasting marshmallows, hot chocolate and popcorn all cooked in the outdoors. A huge thank you and well done to both Mrs Rogers and Year 4.

Mr Graham: Year 4 Class teacher



Cricket

What a fantastic time KS2 have had this half-term in our Cricket PE lessons. This Cricket Program has been offered to us by Chance to Shine, a renowned National Cricket Charity. A huge thankyou to Kerry Hartnett at Cheshire Cricket for all of your wonderful work at Sandiway Primary. The children have learnt and practice lots of new skills as well as improved their sportsmen ship and teamwork skills. We are delighted to collaborate with Oakmere and Northwich Cricket Clubs, who are actively seeking to expand their girls' section. They are eager to recruit local girls and provide them with opportunities to play cricket outside of school. If interested please see information attached in the newsletter.





Communication

We thought a reminder of our lines of communication would be useful for you. Information about school news and the running of school can be found on the school website, in email correspondence and on our school newsletters.

Members of staff are situated at the gates/doors during morning drop off, should you wish to speak to someone or give a quick message for the class teacher. Teachers are then more readily available to talk at the end of the school day.

At the end of the school day, if there is anything of particular note to inform parents of, this will be done via a phone call or an email.

If your child has been in receipt of first aid for a head bump, parents will be informed via an email from admin.

Below summarises a few of the more common scenarios that you may find helpful.

Scenario	How to communicate with school
My child is ill	A phone call to the school office on 01606 883298 before 8:45 and leave a message on the absence line.
I would like to inform my child's class teacher of something (for example question, concern, change to routine)	Email school admin. They will inform the class teacher who will get in touch with you as soon as possible. admin@sandiway.cheshire.sch.uk
I have a concern regarding my Child that I would like to discuss with the class teacher (for example Special Education Needs. behaviour, friendship issues, bullying, changes in homelife).	Step 1: Ring the school office to make an appointment with the class teacher. Step 2: Meet with the class teacher Step 3: Arrange via the school office to meet With the Deputy or Headteacher.
Changes to my child's daily routines (e.g. dentist appointments, change in adult picking up)	A phone call to the school office or email to admin@sandiway.cheshire.sch.uk
Club Rock—booking and cancellations	Bookings made online via School Spider (See communication sent out by Mrs Segrott) for adhoc bookings. Cancellations (24 hour notice please) the-club@sandiway.cheshire.sch.uk
My child needs to be given medication.	Bring the medication to the school office and complete paperwork.
Medical needs have changed	Step 1: A phone call to the school office Step 2: Arrange a meeting with Mrs Tucker our medications lead teacher.





PE Days

Children will need to wear PE Kits on the following days next half term please. Mr Ault will be working with Reception, Year One, Year Four and Year Six.

Reception	Monday and Thursday
Year One	Thursday and Friday
Year Two	Wednesday and Friday
Year Three	Wednesday (Swimming continues) and Thursday
Year Four	Monday and Tuesday/
Year Five	Monday and Wednesday
Year Six	Tuesday and Thursday

Homework

As we approach half term, formal homework will not be set this week. We strongly encourage you to keep up with reading and Times Tables Rock Stars (Years 2 to 6) over the break. Homework will be set again on Thursday 29th February.

Forest School

Year Two will start Forest School on Thursday afternoons after the half term holiday. Please see attached information with regards to what to wear!

And finally....First Aid

Last week a number of staff members (teachers, teaching assistants, club staff, admin and midday staff) completed training in Emergency First Aid and Paediatric First Aid. This included how to administer CPR, deal with bleeds and

choking amongst other conditions. All members of staff involved worked hard over several evenings to gain their qualification. This bolsters our knowledge and ability to provide support should the need arise. Many thanks to our providers, Cheshire First Aid Ltd.

Have a fabulous half term and we will see you on Monday 26th February 2024!!

