



LABURNUM

PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWS

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MESSAGES, FEEDBACK AND REFLECTIONS FROM THE HEAD

It has been another fantastic week in school with all classes settled and working hard. Myself and the staff have been very proud of the children's positive attitude and engagement in learning since we returned from the summer break. All children are rising to the challenge that a new school year and new learning brings. We have had a number of visitors in school this week, including members of the executive team from Advantage Schools. It has been a pleasure to show them around school and visit classrooms, with many comments about the calm and purposeful learning environments and positive engagement in play at break and lunchtime.

CLASS BRIEFINGS

You will have received either today or receive on Monday a class briefing document for your child's class. This has important messages and reminders about school expectations, but also includes information specific to your child and their class, including visits we expect to take the children on and reminders about homework expectations. If you have any queries after reading through it, please contact your child's class teacher.

COMMUNICATION

As you know, there are multiple lines of communication available to all parents (Class Dojo, drop-off and pick-up, the school office, email etc.). To help you to know who to ask when you need help or have a query we also have a Communication Policy that sets out expectations and who to contact for a variety of situations. If you need it, the communication Policy is available on our website – I have created a link to the page [here](#).

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Almost all children are wearing the correct school uniform – a uniform we can be really proud of. We always receive positive comments about how smart our children look and as you know our uniform is incredibly hard-wearing. We do expect all children to wear the correct uniform at all times, including black shoes (not trainers) on normal uniform days and school jumpers/fleeces or plain navy jumpers on PE kit days unless there is a specific reason that this needs to be varied. Please contact us if you have any issues in obtaining the correct uniform and we will do our best to help.

COVID-19

It appears that local levels of COVID-19 are increasing. The latest guidance on those who have symptoms of COVID-19 are below, with full information on the NHS website: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/>

What to do if you have symptoms of COVID-19?

You may be able to [look after yourself at home if you have COVID-19 or symptoms of COVID-19](#).

Try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if you or your child have symptoms and either:

- have a high temperature
- do not feel well enough to go to work, school, childcare, or do your normal activities

You can go back to your normal activities when you feel better or do not have a high temperature.

If your child has mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or mild cough, and they feel well enough, they can go to school or childcare.

TESCO TOKENS



You will be aware that we have been one of the chosen organisations in the current blue token collection at Tesco in Sandy, Potton and Shefford. We have been in store for July, August and September – as we approach the end of September, we would really appreciate any last minute token voting in aid of our Forest School and Wildlife area!

AWARDS AND CELEBRATIONS WEEK ENDING 15th SEPTEMBER 2023

ATTENDANCE TARGET 97%

Beech	95.5%	0 late marks
Elm	97.3%	1 late mark
Cedar	95.8%	1 late mark
Chestnut	98.5%	0 late marks
Willow	98.4%	2 late marks
Sycamore	96.7%	0 late marks
Oak	97.7%	2 late marks

THE GOLDEN MILE



This week the Golden Mile trophies were awarded to:

EYFS & KS1

KS2

Elm

Chestnut

HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK



309



288



310



293

WEEKLY CLASS C.A.R.E.S AWARD CERTIFICATES

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APPLE	BEECH	ELM	CEDAR
C - Theodore A - Arvin R - Ella E - Amelia S - Hutton CARES - Freddie	C - Delilah A - Demi R - Finley E - Daisy P S - Ella CARES - Ruby	C - Alivia A - Dakota R - Bella E - Jack S - Toby CARES - Brody	C - Phoenix A - Nathaniel R - Teddy E - Austin S - Leo CARES - Jacob
CHESTNUT	WILLOW	SYCAMORE	OAK
C - Alex A - Frankie R - Millie E - Joshua S - Sophia CARES - Amelia D	C - Jenaya A - Jake R - Alfie E - Jerry S - Lacie-Mai CARES - Paula	C - Joseph A - Leo R - Sophia E - Camden S - Lilly V CARES - Evie	C - Regina A - Edvinas R - Ella-Mae E - Wayne S - Mia CARES - Bobby

WHOLE SCHOOL CARES AWARD



September

Thursday 28 th		School Harvest Assembly & The Need Project food collection
Friday 29 th	8:45	FLS MacMillan Coffee Morning – Dining Hall

October

1 st – Mon 31 st		Black History Month	
Mon 2 nd – Thursday 5 th		Y5/6 Bikability Level 1&2 Combined	
Tuesday 3 rd		Pupil Individual and Family Photographs	
Monday 9 th	9-10:00am	Apple (N) Class Parent Session Drop-in Chestnut (Y3) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Apple Classroom Chestnut Classroom
Tuesday 10 th	9-10:00am	Elm (Y1) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in Oak (Y6) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Elm Classroom Oak Classroom
Wednesday 11 th	9-10:00am	Willow (Y4) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in Beech (YR) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Willow Classroom Beech Classroom
Thursday 12 th	9-10:00am	Sycamore (Y5) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Sycamore Classroom
Friday 13 th	9-10:00am	Cedar (Y2) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Cedar Classroom
Monday 16 th	3-3:30pm	Pupil books available for Parents/Children to view together (books also available for in-school Parent/Teacher Meetings)	Classrooms
Tuesday 17 th		Parent/Teacher Meetings	Virtual and in-school appointments available
Wednesday 18 th		Parent/Teacher Meetings	
Wednesday 18 th		Y6 Visit to Cambridge Museum of Zoology & Fitzwilliam Museum	
Friday 20 th		School Closes for Half Term Break	
Monday 30 th		School Opens for Autumn 2	

November

Monday 6 th		Reverse Advent Calendar Begins	
Friday 10 th		Pupil Flu Immunisations Reception – Year 6	
Mon 13 th – Fri 17 th		Anti-Bullying Week	
Friday 17 th	All Day	Children in Need 2022	
Tuesday 21 st	10:00- 11:00am	Nursery 'stay and play' session (January admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom
Thursday 23 rd	1:30- 2:30pm	Nursery 'stay and play' session (January admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom

December

Wednesday 13 th	9:30am 2:30pm	Reception Christmas Production Reception Christmas Production	School Hall School Hall
Monday 18 th	4:00pm	Whole School Carols on the Playground	Playground

January

Thursday 4 th		School Opens for Spring Term: Reception-Y6 Pupils return to school Nursery 1:1 New Parent & Child Meetings	
Friday 6 th		Nursery Pupils return to school	
Friday 19 th	All Day	Y6 Young Voices	The O2 Arena, London

February

Friday 9 th	All day	CHUMS Shine Bright, Wear Bright	
Monday 5 th	9-10:30am	Oak (Y6) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Oak Classroom
Tuesday 6 th	9-10:30am	Cedar (Y2) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in Sycamore (Y5) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Cedar Classroom Sycamore Classroom
Wednesday 7 th	9-10:30am	Elm (Y1) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in Chestnut (Y3) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Elm Classroom Chestnut Classroom
Thursday 8 th	9-10:30am	Apple (N) Class Parent Session Drop-in Beech (YR) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Apple Classroom Beech Classroom
Friday 9 th	9-10:30am	Willow (Y4) Class Parent Lesson Drop-in	Willow Classroom
Monday 12 th	3:00- 3:30pm	Pupil books available for Parents/Children to view together (books also available for in-school Parent/Teacher Meetings)	Classrooms
Tuesday 13 th		Parent/Teacher Meetings	Virtual and in-school
Thursday 15 th		Parent/Teacher Meetings	appointments available
Friday 16 th		School closes for half term break	
Monday 26 th		School opens for Spring 2	

March

Thursday 7 th		World Book Day	
Tuesday 12 th	10:00- 11:00am	Nursery 'stay and play' session (April admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom
Thursday 14 th	1:30- 2:30pm	Nursery 'stay and play' session (April admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom
Friday 15 th		Red Nose Day	
Thursday 28 th		School closes for Easter Break	

April

Tuesday 16 th	School Opens for Summer Term: Reception-Y6 Pupils return to school Nursery 1:1 New Parent & Child Meetings
Wednesday 17 th	Nursery Pupils return to school

May

Monday 6 th	May Day Bank Holiday: School Closed
Mon 13 th -Thurs 16 th	Year 6 Statutory Assessments (SATs)
Mon 20 th	SCARF Life Education Visit to Laburnum
Friday 24 th	School closes for half term break

June

Monday 3 rd	School opens for Summer 2		
Wednesday 5 th	Yr 5/6 Faith Tour, Queens Park, Bedford		
Mon 3 rd – Fri 14 th	Year 4 Multiplication Check window		
Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week		
Tuesday 25 th	10:00-11:00am	Nursery 'stay and play' session (September admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom
Thursday 27 th	1:30-2:30pm	Nursery 'stay and play' session (September admission children/parents by invite)	Apple Classroom

July

Friday 12 th	Annual Pupil Reports to Parents	
Monday 15 th	School Sports Day (Times to be confirmed)	
Weds 17 th - Thurs 18 th	Class Transition Days (Children in new classes)	
Friday 19 th	2:20pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly School closes for summer break



BEDFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL

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EARLY SPEECH AND LANGUAGE SUPPORT

EARLY ADVICE SESSIONS

IF YOU'RE NOT ALREADY KNOWN TO THE SERVICE AND YOU WOULD LIKE AN INFORMAL DISCUSSION ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S SPEECH AND LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT, YOU CAN REQUEST A 15 MINUTE ADVICE SESSION VIA TELEPHONE CALL. PLEASE FOLLOW THE QR CODE FOR MORE DETAILS AND CRITERIA:



[HTTPS://BIT.LY/47U8BLI](https://bit.ly/47U8BLI)

HELP YOUR CHILDS UNCLEAR SPEECH

A WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR CHILD'S PRONUNCIATION OF SPEECH SOUNDS. DATES AND TIMES ARE AVAILBLE ON OUR WEBSITE. PLEASE FOLLOW THE QR CODE FOR MORE DETAILS AND CRITERIA:



[HTTPS://BIT.LY/3Kv5WAP](https://bit.ly/3Kv5WAP)

CHATTERTOTS

A SET OF WORKSHOPS TO SUPPORT PARENTS/CARERSTO HELP THEIR CHILD'S EARLY LANGUAGE SKILLS.SUITABLE FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN AGED 18MONTHS- 3 YEARS OF AGE. PLEASE FOLLOW THE QR CODE FOR MORE DETAILS AND CRITERIA:



[HTTPS://BIT.LY/3G58PPN](https://bit.ly/3G58PPN)



[HTTPS://WWW.CHILDSPRECHBEDFORDSHIRE.NHS.UK](https://www.childspeechbedfordshire.nhs.uk)



**COME & PLAY
JUNIOR HOCKEY**

**SHEFFORD & SANDY
HOCKEY CLUB**

If you're interested in playing, please contact Jade Gravell on jade.gravell@yahoo.co.uk or visit www.sheffordandsandy.com for more details.

  



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Shefford Majorettes



Shefford Majorettes train on a Tuesday from 18:30-20:15 during term time at the STMA, Shefford, Beds.

Girls aged 4-18 are welcome; no prior experience necessary.

Please email us to book a taster session.

We perform throughout summer at local carnivals, fetes and fayres. For all booking enquiries please contact us via email.

'I love that everyone encourages each other to achieve to the best of their ability, and the trainers and committee have always made it welcoming. We're like one big family and friends for life.

-Mia, 13 year's service

Shefford Majorettes



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SANDY SKATEPARK JAM 2023



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District 7000



PRIZES
MUSIC
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COMPETITIONS

SAT 16TH SEPT
12-4:00

SKATE | SCOOT | BMX

HOAX

DEEZ NUTZ



DOMINATOR



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SUNDERLAND RD, SANDY
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NEWS RELEASE

FROM

SANDY TOWN COUNCIL

24.08.23 for immediate release

Sandy Skatepark Jam Anniversary: Saturday 16th September 12 – 4pm

After the success of last year's event, Sandy Town Council is excited to invite the whole community to come along to the Sandy Skatepark Jam anniversary on Saturday 16th September, between 12-4pm.

The event will include music, rider demos, competitions with prizes, Pecoro selling pizza, ice cream van etc. We would love everyone to bring some friends along and enjoy a great afternoon at our brilliant skatepark. People of all ages and abilities are welcome - whether you use a skateboard, BMX, scooter or just want to come along and watch the action whilst enjoying the great atmosphere.

We are taking this opportunity to engage with users of the skatepark (particularly youth) and get their opinions on how the skatepark is currently being used, what they love about it, and how the facility could be improved for them. We are looking for young people and users to take ownership of their skatepark and represent it by reporting issues, keeping communications with the Council, and sharing images of use to upload to our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/SandySkateparkProject/>

We want to ensure that our skatepark is a safe and enjoyable place for all and so the event will also focus on how we can prevent crime and antisocial behaviour in our community generally and at this exciting facility particularly. Grand Union will be joining us on the day, alongside the Police (depending on their duties) community and representatives from the Town Council who will be available to answer questions and engage with attendees to listen to what they have to say. The Skatepark is located at Sunderland Road Recreation Ground, Sandy, Bedfordshire, SG19 1RQ.

Join our Facebook event and show your support:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/130163713421014/>

We look forward to seeing you there!

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