



SANDWOOD NEWS



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Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been a very, very strange year for us all!

We were delighted with the wonderful report we gained from Her Majesty's Inspectors and that is credit to our all our stakeholders; our wonderful children, staff and families. Well done to you all!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Sandwood Staff for their wonderful commitment and hard work throughout these unprecedented times. I'm sure you will agree the remote learning and contact provided has been of a very high standard.

Thank you also to our very supportive Parent Council for their hard work and dedication to our school.

We would like to wish our P7 pupils every success for the future as they move on to the next stage of their life. We are sad that we have not been able to provide the usual activities for them, however hope that the transition materials provided by Rosshall Academy have assisted in them being more 'Ready for Rosshall'. We hope they will continue to flourish as the 'Sandwood Stars' they are.

We look forward to welcoming 45 P1 pupils in August. Again we are sad that we have not been able to provide the usual induction visits for our new pupils but hope they have found the virtual tour and other materials posted on the App and website helpful.

And finally, I want to thank you, our wonderful families for your support over this past year. We hugely value your commitment which enables us to continue to improve the experiences we offer our pupils.

I hope you all have a lovely summer break when it comes and we look forward to seeing you all when school recommences.

Kind regards

Fiona Donnelly

Headteacher



RECOVERY PLANNING FOR SESSION 2020-21

Please be re-assured we have comprehensive Risk Assessments and arrangements in place for next session.

Here is a brief outline of the measures we are putting in place.

Arrival at school and entry

- Hand sanitising stations will be available at main entrances and also located where appropriate for pupils. All persons entering/leaving the building should use the available hand sanitiser.
- Children should arrive no earlier than 8.45 - 9.00am
- Classes will have a designated entry and exit gate clearly marked with temporary signage and communicated to all parents.
- Areas for lining up will be clearly marked with class name and markings of 2m distancing.
- Playground areas are designated for specified classes.
- Parents/carers of P1-3 children only should only enter the playground. One adult per family is permitted. Adults should **not** enter the school building.
- Parents of P1-3 children should leave promptly after dropping their child to avoid large groups forming outside school grounds.
- Pupils will only use their designated stairway and door.
- Pupils will use hand sanitiser on entry and go straight to class. Their jacket and bag will be kept at their chair.
- Where groups are sharing the stairwells, exit and entry will be staggered.
- At end of day collection parents/carers should stand in designated areas.

Timing of school day

- Same timings for The Sands - Monday, Tuesday and The Woods - Thursday, Friday.
- 2 staggered breaks- 10.30- 10.45 & 10.55 - 11.10. Sfl workers will supervise in playgrounds with our Janitor. Each staff member will have a designated playground. Children will be encouraged to wash their hands before and after break times.
- 2 staggered lunch breaks 12.30 - 1.00 & 1.00 - 1.30 (packed lunches will be brought to class and placed on desks by catering staff). Lunches will be eaten (no sharing of foods) in classrooms to minimise movement of children. Class Teachers will oversee pupils eating for 15mins prior to outside break. Hand washing will be encouraged before and after. Catering staff will clean desks after pupils have finished.
- 3.15pm finish. This equates to 5 1/2 hours teaching a day.
- Children are allowed to bring school bags to school and can bring water bottles, however no refilling of water bottles is permitted (disposable cups will be available in classes.
- LCR - this will be planned in accordance with pupil need and is currently being discussed by GCC and we are awaiting further guidance.

Classroom Management

- Each teacher will plan out their teaching spaces to maximise physical distancing.
- For those classes where the pupil numbers are greater than the number of desks in a classroom, we have created

overspill classes adjacent to the main class with additional staffing allocated.

- Soap and paper towels will be available. Bins will be placed near the sink.
- A box of tissues will be in each class.
- Hand wash will be available in each classroom.
- Classrooms will be kept well-ventilated.
- Soft furnishings have been removed and the range of resources to be used has been reduced.
- Each child will have a work pack containing the items required for learning; these are not shared with other pupils.
- Children and teacher will agree the hand washing routine for the day for their group.

Movement around the school

- A one way system is in operation around the school to minimise contact between children.
- Stairwells have arrow signage showing an up/down route.
- Children will be reminded by staff of trying to avoid touching bannisters before embarking on stairs.
- Designated stairwells and doors in place for classes. Specified doors throughout the one way system will be wedged open to minimise contact with door plates/handles.
- Timetabled transitions for classes to move around the school are in place.
- An adult presence will ensure safe social distancing for toilets during breaks and lunch times. Only one child at a time allowed to leave teaching areas for toilets during teaching time. Staff will ensure hands wash before and after.
- Signage promoting hand washing in place in toilet areas.

Communication with parents

- We will continue to use Groupcall as a method of communicating to all parents/carers quickly.
- Groupcall will also continue to be used to send individual messages to parents, particularly if no telephone contact has been successfully made.
- Phone calls will be made by staff where required throughout the week.
- The school app, school website and Twitter and will continue to be used regularly alongside individual Glow email addresses to communicate with parents and minimise face to face contact where possible.

Outdoor Learning

- Teachers will be planning for outdoor learning as much as possible. This will be integrated into children's learning. On leaving and entering the school building children should wash hands.

We appreciate things will be challenging for all, however are hopeful that this will be a short term measure and we can get back to some kind of normality as soon as it is safe to do so. Thank you in advance for your understanding, compliance and co-operation with the new measures we have put in place

CLASSES FOR NEXT SESSION



P1 Owls	Miss Hughes
P1 Squirrels	Mrs Lidstone
P2	Mr Strain
P2/3	Miss Gillan
P3	Mrs Lynne Scott
P3/4	Miss Cooke
P4	Miss Grant
P5a	Mrs Cameron/Mrs Beck
P5b	Ms Howarth/Miss Anderson
P6	Miss Sturrock
P6/7	Ms Fisher
P7	Mrs Leeann Scott

Whilst your child has been allocated a registration class, each class will be split in two groups based on sibling groupings.

The groups are named: The **Sands** and The **Woods**

The **Sands** Group will attend on Mondays and Tuesdays.
The **Woods** Group will attend Thursday and Fridays.

The school will not be open to children on Wednesdays as this day the building will be deep cleaned.

Teachers who will support the blended learning approach for The Sands and The Woods children in classes that have larger numbers are
Mrs Shennan and Ms Murawska.
Miss Young and Mr Wilson will provide Nurture support.

CLOTHING GRANTS/FREE MEAL ENTITLEMENT

2020/21 application form is now available on www.glasgow.gov.uk
If eligible, please ensure you apply as soon as possible so paperwork can be processed ASAP.



SCHOOL UNIFORMS

A reminder that our uniform is as follows:

UNIFORM

White Polo Shirt (with or without school logo)

White Shirt

Purple Sweatshirt/cardigan (with school logo)

Black jumper / cardigan

Black Trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore

Purple / pink gingham summer dresses.

School Tie

All items of school uniform can be purchased from the Trutex shop or can be ordered online or through the school.

Our Parent Council are supporting the ordering of school uniform for the new session. If you wish to place an order you can do this in 2 ways:

- order through the Parent Council
- order online

ORDER FORMS

If you wish to order through the Parent Council, please contact Rosetta McFarlane by email or private message on facebook. **Deadline for ordering this way is 22nd June.** rosettamcfarlane71@live.co.uk You can email or private message Rosetta to assist you with this. You can collect a hard copy from Sandwood Primary School if required. Orders require to be received by the company 3 weeks before date required to ensure delivery, Rosetta will advise cut off dates for ordering. Uniform orders will be delivered to Rosetta who will arrange for these to be delivery or collection.

ONLINE ORDERS

You can place your order directly online at www.border-embroideries.co.uk
Please note that the prices for the online orders are slightly dearer as the order forms sent on by the Parent Council is classed as a bulk order and the company give a slight discount for this.
A delivery charge is applicable for home deliveries.
Online orders must be placed before the 20th July.

SESSION 2020-21

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES

1. Literacy-Raising Attainment in Reading & Writing
2: Assessment , Planning & Moderation
3: Health & Wellbeing – Recovery, Reconnection, Resilience
4: Skills for Life, Learning & Work

August

- Tuesday 11 August 2020 (Return date for Teachers)*Please note this may be subject to change
- Wednesday 12 August 2020 (In-Service Day)
- Thursday 13 August 2020 (Return date for the pupils)

Dates for your diary....

September Weekend

- Friday 25 September 2020
- Monday 28 September 2020

October

- Friday 9 October 2020 (In-Service Day)
- Monday 12 to Friday 16 October 2020 (October Week)

December - Christmas and New Year

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Tuesday 22 December
- Wednesday 23 December 2020 to Tuesday 5 January 2021 (Christmas holidays)

January

- Schools return on Wednesday 6 January 2021

February Mid-term break

- Monday 8 February 2021
- Tuesday 9 February 2021
- Wednesday 10 February 2021 (In-service day)

April - Spring Holiday (Easter)

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Thursday 1 April 2021
- Good Friday 2 April 2021
- Easter Monday 5 April 2021
- Schools return on Monday 19 April 2021

May

- Monday 3 May 2021 (May Holiday)
- Thursday 6 May 2021 (In-Service day)
- Friday 28 May 2021 and Monday, 31 May 2021 (May Weekend)

June

- Schools Close at 1.00 pm on Thursday 24 June 2021

WE HONESTLY DON'T KNOW WHAT SCHOOL WILL BE LIKE IN THE NEW TERM.....

.... but what we do know is:
We will make sure your children are:

SANDWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Safe
Loved
&
Educated

because we are Teachers and it's what we do.

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believe
achieve

Sandwood Stars

You are all Stars but here is a little 'snapshot' of some things our Sandwood children, staff and families have been doing during lockdown.

