



SANDWOOD NEWS



June 2026

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our Teaching Staff, Pupil Support Staff, Catering Staff (special thanks for the wonderful lunches they have provided to our school), Clerical Staff, School Crossing Patrol Officers, Cleaning Staff and of course our Janitor for all of their hard work, support and enthusiasm throughout this year. 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 hope they will continue to flourish as the 'Sandwood Stars' they are.



We are saying a sad farewell to Mr. Gunn and Ms. Amy Scott (LCR) and wish them well in their future ventures. We will miss their valued contributions to Sandwood Primary.

We welcome back Mrs Flanagan who is returning from maternity leave.

We would like to wish Mrs Blair, our Principal Teacher in the LCR, a very happy and healthy retirement. Throughout her career, Mrs Blair has shown unwavering dedication to supporting children, families, and colleagues. Her kindness, professionalism, and commitment to education have left a lasting impact on our school community. We thank Mrs Blair for her years of service and wish her a long, happy, and well-deserved retirement.



We congratulate Mrs Deans who will take up her post in August as LCR Principal Teacher on Mondays and Fridays.



Huge congratulations to Mr. and Mrs McKean and big brother Finn on the birth of their son/brother, Rory. We look forward to meeting Rory soon.



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, on Wednesday 12th August. Please check our School App for any updates on return arrangements.

Kind regards
Fiona Donnelly
Headteacher



CLASSES FOR NEXT SESSION 2026-27



P1 Owls	Mrs Devine
P2 Squirrels	Mrs Shennan/Miss Anderson
P2	Mrs Brydon
P3	Mrs Brierley
P4	Mrs Smith
P5/4	Mrs Gavan/ vacancy
P5	Mrs Lidstone/Mrs Flanagan
P6	Mrs Leeann Scott
P7/6	Mrs Hanif/Mrs Beck
P7	Mrs Lynne Scott
Nurture	Miss Young

CLOTHING GRANTS/FREE MEAL ENTITLEMENT

2026-27 application form is now available. If eligible; please ensure you apply as soon as possible so paperwork can be processed ASAP. This has a significant effect on our staffing allocation, so we urge you to apply if you are entitled.



Currently all children in Primary 1 to Primary 6 receive Universal Free School Meals, however this **does not** include free breakfast club. From August all children in Primary 1 to Primary 7 will receive free school meals, again this **does not** include breakfast club. Pupils who meet the eligibility criteria and apply for Free School Meals (FSM) will be entitled to free breakfast club. If you do not make a FSM application for your child and they attend breakfast club, you will be charged £2 per

day via your Parent Pay account. If you think you may be eligible for FSM/Breakfast club, to avoid unnecessary charges please apply online on the GCC website at [Clothing Grants/Free School Meals - Glasgow City Council](#). Please contact the school office should you require any additional information.

SESSION 2026-27 **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES**

1. Progress – Reading and Writing
2. Wellbeing – P.E., Attendance, Connected Learning
3. Inclusion – Meta Skills, Equalities, Drama



P7 LEAVERS' CELEBRATIONS

Our P7 Leaver's Celebration took place on the evening of Thursday 11th June, and a great time was had by all!

The P7 Leavers' Assembly and Prizegiving will take place on Friday 19th June at 1:30pm.

UNIFORM

We are delighted to see most of our pupils wearing uniform.

We are keen to see our whole school reflecting Sandwood through the wearing of uniform.

Details of where to purchase the uniform is noted below.

Ordering / Delivery

- Online – click and collect - Orders are taken online at www.aspireacademyglasgow.com
- Purchase from shop.

On P.E. days pupils can wear clothing suitable for this activity e.g. shorts, tracksuit bottoms etc. We would welcome these being in school colours and encourage pupils to wear the school P.E. shirt where possible.

Aspire Academy have updated their website to ensure that the Sandwood school profile is easily accessible and that the layout is simple and straight forward for parents to navigate.

This can be accessed @ Sandwood Primary Archives - Aspire Academy



At Sandwood Primary School, we have a dress code and strive to have every child in school uniform.

Our Supplier is:
<https://aspireacademyglasgow.com/school/sandwood-primary/>

Details below:

UNIFORM DETAILS

White/Black Polo Shirt (with/without school logo)
Purple/Black Sweatshirt/Cardigan/Fleece

Black jumper/cardigan (with/without school logo)

Black Trousers, shorts or skirt
White Shirt

School Tie*
Tartan Pinafore/Skirt
Purple/pink summer dress

For PE:
Black Jogging trousers

Gym T-Shirt



Victoria Thomas
Customer Service Team
Aspire Academy/Aspire Me

Tel: 0141 611 4000



Office Suite 1/1, 21 Glasgow Road, Baillieston, G69 6JT



20% PRELOVED UNIFORM FROM APPARELXCHANGE

51 Cadogan Street, G2 7HF or online
www.apparelXchange.co.uk

Please see the attached blog which might be a useful read for some;
<https://apparelxchange.co.uk/blogs/default-t-blog/primary-1-starting-school-this-summer>

School Term Dates 2026-27

August

- Monday, 10 August 2026 (Return date for Teachers & In-Service Day)
- Tuesday, 11 August 2026 (In-Service Day)
- Wednesday, 12 August 2026 (Return date for Pupils)

September

- Friday, 25 September and Monday, 28 September 2026 (September weekend holiday)

October

- Friday, 9 October 2026 (In-Service Day)
- Monday, 12 to Friday, 16 October 2026 (October Week)

December - Christmas and New Year

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Friday, 18 December 2026
- Monday, 21 December 2026 - Monday, 4 January 2027 (Christmas holidays)

January

- Schools return on Tuesday, 5 January 2027

February mid-term break

- Monday, 15 February 2027
- Tuesday, 16 February 2027
- Wednesday, 17 February 2027 (In-service day)

March

- Friday, 26 March 2027 (Good Friday)
- Monday, 29 March 2027 (Easter Monday)

April - Spring Holiday

- Schools close at 2.30 pm on Friday, 2 April 2027
- Monday, 5 April - Friday, 16 April 2027 (Spring Break)
- Schools return on Monday, 19 April 2027

May

- Monday, 3 May 2027 (May Holiday)
- Thursday, 6 May 2027 (In-service day to coincide with elections, but may be subject to change)
- Friday, 28 May 2027 and Monday, 31 May 2027 (May Weekend)

June

- Schools Close at 1.00 pm on Friday, 25 June 2027.



Sandwood Stars



Congratulations to:

P1: -

Albie Richford – learned how to do stepovers at football.

Ellie Nicol – is learning to swim.

Rhys McEwan – learned how to do different tricks at football.

Jessica Henderson – has started swimming lessons.

Ariana Crawford – can put her head under water at swimming lessons.

Maddison Paton – won 5 awards at dancing.

Freya Watt – scored a goal at football.

Lewis Mulligan – scored 2 goals at football.

P2: -

Lochlan Hosie – got a blue card from football.

Ruby Bhandari – completed level 1 at gymnastics.

Jamie McMichael – moved up to level 2 at swimming.

Christabel Opoko Tweneboah – moved up to level 3 at swimming.

Ella Clark – moved up to Seals at swimming.

Sophie Kalkowska – moved up to level 4 at dancing.

Ava Henderson – moved up a level in gymnastics and dancing.

Nicole He – moved up to level 2 at dancing.

P3/2: -

Copland Richford – won a medal at his football club.

Alfie Felton – learned to ride a bike without stabilisers.

Mila Crawford – received a certificate for moving up a level in gymnastics.

Eilidh Warnock – learned how to do a back bend in gymnastics.

Kayden Watt – has learned how to do no hands on his bike for 20 seconds.

Isabella Bruce – can now do a handstand.

Leah Gaffney – learned how to do a kick over from a bridge in gymnastics.

Oscar Will – learned how to do a front flip on a trampoline.

P3: -

Esme McEwan - took part in a gymnastics show

Julia Robinson - joined a gymnastics club and learned to walk on bars

Lucas McConnell- got a trophy at football

Innes Quigley- played in a football tournament in the Netherlands

Eilidh McAllister - took part in a dance show



Ayesha Shezhad- managed to achieve a head spring

Rosie McGimpsey- won a medal in Brownies

Zack Miller - played with Parkvilla FC in a big stadium for the league

Seren Watson - won a medal for showing resilience in wrestling

Areeba Amjad- joined a new reading club

P4: -

Ella Wright – her dance class won at a show.

Rocco Norwood – starred in a music video.

P5/4: -

Angus Ball – was awarded the most improved Rugby player at his club.

Sham Shanin – was making cookies by herself at home.

Lori McDonald – has been improving her drawing skills.

Daryl Robertson – won a football match and got an assist.

Lacey Stewart – competed in a dance show in front of 2,000 people.

Leeann McGurk – has been chosen for a main part in a panto

Charli Team – is going to the dance world cup in July.

P5: -

Jack Cameron – played in a Rugby tournament.

Isla Brennan – mastered a Triple Ariel in dancing.

Cayden Gallacher – joined FC United, Paisley Juniors Football Team.

Bethan Clark – moved up a gymnastics level.

Cora Barclay – won a gold Taekwondo medal.

Dylan Lee – has upgraded climbing levels.

Carys Murray, Bethany Clark, Grace Henderson, Isla Brennan – performed in a dancing show together in Paisley.

P6: -

Liam Curran– won a gold medal at the pairs bowling competition.

P7: -

The Girls' Football team– won the Glasgow Schools.

Mahire Negash– won the overall cup at Super 7's.

Taylor Ingram– won gold for the long jump.

