



SANDWOOD NEWS



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Dear Parent/Carer,

We have had a busy start to the year. Our 42 new Primary 1 pupils are settling well and we welcome 4 new pupils to other stages throughout the school bringing our school roll to 327.

We are in the process of sourcing a new Photography company. Dates of when school photos will be taken will be intimated when we have agreed on the provider.

We are awaiting guidance to find out if Parents' Nights will be able to take place as usual in October.

A reminder of our Vision and Values:

Our Vision

To promote a nurturing, inclusive ethos with high expectations, where everyone has the right to achieve, be respected, valued and celebrated.

Our Values

Resilience
Effort
Success
Positivity
Equality
Caring
Teamwork

Dream

Believe

Achieve Together

As always, if you require any further information please don't hesitate to contact the school.

Kind Regards
Fiona Donnelly
Head Teacher



Health Spot!

BIKES



In the interest of Health and Safety, all children who travel to school by bicycle **must** wear a safety helmet. No Bikes or scooters are to be ridden in the playground.

DAILY MILE

All classes are participating in this activity daily. The Daily Mile is beneficial for pupils' cognition and wellbeing.



SEPTEMBER WEEKEND, INSERVICE DAYS AND OCTOBER WEEK

The September Weekend holiday is Friday 24th September and Monday 27th September. The October week holiday is Monday 11th October – Friday 15th October (inclusive). Please note the Inservice day is Friday 8th October.



BREAKFAST CLUB 8AM-8:45AM

All pupils enter via the main door by 8:15am. P3-P7 pupils will be escorted to their playgrounds at 8:45am where there is adult supervision. P1 & P2 pupils remain in the Dinner Hall until 9am.



LUNCH/BREAKFAST CLUB PAYMENTS

If your child is in P5, P6 or P7 and is not entitled to free school meals – please note that until parent pay is up and running we are accepting cash only in the Dinner Hall.



ABSENCE

Our School's Absence Monitoring Procedures help to ensure the safe arrival of all pupils. Parents are required to inform the absence reporting line before 9.30 that their child is unable to attend. Parents will be contacted by text or phone call if their child is absent and no information has been received. If you do not wish to be contacted via text message, please inform the school office. Text messaging is also very useful when keeping parents informed and up-to-date with school events and activities.

Absence Reporting Line - **0141 287 0039**.
www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence

LABELS

Please ensure all your child's belongings are labelled as there has been a lot of items misplaced recently. Although as a school we endeavour to assist the children with looking after their belongings, please note it is not the school's responsibility if items go missing.



RAINY DAYS

Unfortunately we are not able to permit early entry at 8.45am to the school in wet weather due to Coronavirus Guidelines. Please ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for the weather and reduce time waiting in playground. At breaks and lunches we will endeavour to have our children outdoors as much as possible, even in light rain. In the event of heavy rain / inclement weather pupils will have indoor breaks / lunches in their own classrooms supervised by staff.



ALLERGY AWARE

We strive to provide a safe learning environment for all our pupils.

We have a growing number of pupils who have allergies to specific foods and due to this we are becoming a NUT AWARE SCHOOL.



We are asking all members of the school community for their help in minimising the risk to these children by:

- Avoiding giving children nuts or nut products in their packed lunches (Please note that some chocolate spread contains nuts).
- Avoiding giving nuts or nut products or snacks/bars containing nuts for break time snacks.
- Avoiding supplying the school with cakes or food items containing nuts for sales or events.
- Avoiding sending containers such as cereal boxes for Design & Technology / Art lessons into school which may have contained produce made with nuts.

In addition, all nursery, primary and secondary schools in Glasgow follow the Better Eating, Better Learning Policy. This policy emphasises "Good nutrition leads to good learning."

In line with this policy the school is unable to accept birthday cakes to share with classes.

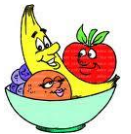
Also, there is a health and safety risk when cakes are brought into be shared, as we are not able to account for the ingredients in the cake, and could therefore unknowingly give a product to a child to

which they are allergic (such as gluten, strawberries, eggs).

Please be reassured your child will be made to feel special when it is their birthday and the class teachers will ensure that all birthdays are remembered and celebrated accordingly.

There will of course be times for celebration for other events within the school and these will also be in line with Glasgow's 'Better Eating, Better Learning ' Policy.

As we are a healthy eating school, a reminder that no chocolate, sweets or fizzy juice is permitted and as an ECO school and due to Covid-19 restrictions we ask that all children bring their own water bottles filled from home each day. Usually children have the opportunity to refill their bottles at lunchtime from our 'Refresh' water units, however as per H&S guidance presently refilling of water bottles is not permitted.



We do not allow children to share snacks due to allergies that may be present. Children who forget or do not have a snack will be issued a piece of fruit by the school.

SELF-ISOLATION



Should your child require to self-isolate during the current pandemic, there are activities available on the **Classes** section of this app and on our Website under **Homelearning during Covid-19**. Please contact your child's class teacher via seesaw to ensure you are kept up to date with class work.

HEALTH AND SAFETY



Once again, I appeal for your co-operation on the matters below.

- In order to ensure the safety of our pupils we ask all our children to use the pedestrian gates for entering and exiting the school grounds. The car park is extremely busy with transport for the Language and Communication Resource and staff vehicles. We are becoming increasingly worried with the volume of traffic, both pedestrian and vehicular in this area that a serious accident/incident may occur.
- Can we also remind parents that the drop off area in front of the school is for school use only and is to provide safe access for the transportation of our pupils who attend our Language and Communication Resource. Only parents that have an agreement with myself due to disability issues are allowed to access the car park for pick up and drop off purposes.
- Gates to the school ground will be locked at 9.15am until 2.45pm. This is to prevent unknown adults being in the school grounds during the school day.
- Please note, no dogs are allowed in the school grounds at any time.
- Finally, Glasgow City Council's policy is that there is no smoking anywhere within or immediately outside the school grounds.



SCHOOL COMMITTEES

Committees	Teaching Staff Member/s	Support for Learning Staff Member/s	SLT Member
Pupil Council			Mrs Donnelly
Reading	Mrs Shennan Mrs Scott	Ms Storey	Mr Strain
EAL	Miss Cooke		Mrs McDade
Fairtrade	Mrs Devine	Mrs Hunter	
HWB	Mrs Lidstone	Mrs Webb	Mr Wilson
Equalities	Miss Hughes Mrs Beck		
Digital Literacy	Mrs Brierley		
Road Safety/JRSO	Miss Sturrock	Miss Duncan	
Rights	Mrs McKean	Mrs Begg	
British Sign Language & Makaton	Miss Stewart Mea Anderson	Miss Robertson	
Inclusive School	Miss Young		Mrs Wallis
Lfs (Eco)	Mrs Brydon		Mr Strain
Developing the Young Workforce (DYW)	Miss McLaren		
STEM	Mrs Scott		

Every child will be part of a committee.



.....to our newly elected House captains.



Scots Pine	
House Captain	Alicia Bryce
Vice Captain	Kayden Newlands
Lime	
House Captain	Karleigh Gilmour
Vice Captain	Aimee Docherty
Willow	
House Captain	Kayla MacDonald
Vice Captain	Carson Hosie
Rowan	
House Captain	Lauren Took
Vice Captain	Saif Shamarri



Sandwood Stars

Congratulations to:

P1a & P1b:-

All our P1 boys and girls for settling so well into Sandwood Primary School.

P2:-

Helena Flint – won a gymnastics certificate.

Maddison McPhee – won a medal for tap dancing.

Ty McMillan – achieved skipping at boxing.

P2/3:-

Holly Scobie– started dancing lessons.

Ayla Crompton – learned how to do a forward flip on the trampoline.

Ty McMillan– started boxing lessons.

Max Piggott– started football training.

Cody Oliver - started football training.

Breagha Quigley– learned how to ride her bicycle.

Casey Walker– started swimming lessons.

P3:-

Ella Kettle– won a trophy at gymnastics.

Samuel Begg– earned Player of the Week at his football club.

Maddison McPhee– won a silver medal for her dancing exam.

P4:-

James Donald– did a football trick.

Elena Nicol – can now ride her bike.

Zoey Skelly– received a certificate from a care home for making a poster at Rainbows. The poster was displayed in the care home

Alfie Docherty– won a trophy for being one of the best in his football training course.

Nadia More– learned how to sew with a needle.

P4/5:-

Emilia Paul– is learning how to ride a bike without training wheels.

Emma Wright– learned how to swim.

Zoey Rai Pettigrew –learned how to swim.

Maya Glately– learned how to swim.

Abigail Moody– is learning a new song at Glee.

P5:-

Sophia Pymont-McGregor – won 75m sprint in her running club.

Charlie O'Hara – was awarded 'Best Goalie'.

P6a:-

Orla Wilson- joined a Theatre .

Ben Marshall – joined Taekwondo.

P6b:-

Cameron Fleming– was awarded 'Mand of the Match'.

Callum Dallas – started a badminton club.

Lucas Law – was awarded '@player of the day' at football.

P7a:-

Dalton Jenkinson – achieved a red belt in Taekwondo.

Lewis O'Brien – joined Victoria Park Football Club.

Carson Hosie– is the top scorer for Partick Thistle Football Club.

Calvin Brodie– scored on his debut for Victoria Park Football Club.

P7b:-

Chanelle Coats– joined a trampolining club and can now do a back flip.

Ayla Hawley– got into the Cheer Team.