



Welcome to the last newsletter of this school year, I can't quite believe it's that time already. Lots of our children will be moving on to their reception classes soon and this half term staff will be supporting children for this important transition. It's our aim to provide all our children with a life long love of learning and the strong foundations they will continue to build on as they move through their school journey. We hope that our children and families have created lots of lovely memories of their time at Sandy Lane Nursery and Forest School with friendships made for life, and will always look back on their time here with fondness.

goodbye
AND
goodluck
ON YOUR
NEXT
adventure

I would like to thank all the parents, carers, staff and governors for their support of the school this year. Together, as a Sandy Lane family, we all work hard to make our school the best that it can be for the benefit of all our children. If your child is leaving us in September please keep in touch, we love to hear how everyone is getting on at 'big school'. For parents of children who are returning, we know you will continue to work with us next year on our journey to maintain our outstanding nursery. There are lots of ways you can become more involved with the work of our school, joining our Friends of Sandy Lane Parent and Carers group, volunteering with jobs for the classroom, in the office, forest school or with gardening. If you are interested in any of these activities please have a chat with me on the door at drop off or collection.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer break when it arrives and look forward to seeing some of our families back with us in September. Marcia Head teacher

Nursery Activities

Garden Room, Sunshine Room and Rainbow Room 'big question' for this half term is

'How have we changed ?'



Sandy Lane Summer Festival



Due to the success of this last year we have decided to hold this event again for our end of year and leavers celebration. We are having our very own festival and we want you to join us. **Parents are invited to join their child throughout the session.** We have **music, bouncy castle, fairground games, ice cream, face painting** and much more. Bring along a picnic and enjoy the fun! There will also be a free raffle for you to take part in.

A form will be sent to you via our School Spider app in the next couple of days for you to register your attendance. Unfortunately we are not able to allow siblings to attend.

SAVE THE DATE—WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY during session time

ATTENDANCE

Thank you for trying to ensure your child attends nursery every day. I'm delighted to share that overall attendance for each room was over 90% last half term. **GOOD ATTENDANCE = GOOD PROGRESS**

IMPORTANT REMINDER

We are a **healthy eating** and 'nut free' school. Please **DO NOT** send your child to nursery with any items that contain nuts or chocolate spread. We also encourage parents to send in a healthy packed lunch. Page 3 of this newsletter shows where you can find lots of ideas for healthy lunchboxes.

Suncream

Please remember to apply sun cream to your child before they arrive at school.

If you feel your child will need more sun cream applying throughout the session, we will require you to bring a new bottle of cream into nursery which is clearly labelled with your child's name. It is advised that a very high factor is used on children.



Please do not forget to indicate via Tapestry that you give consent for staff to apply sun cream in your absence.

Termly Payments

The charge for this payment can be found on the school website under the 'Parents' then 'New Starters' tabs. Some families choose to pay for the **full school year**, most pay **termly**. Charges for the Summer term are **£16.00 for children attending 15 hours and £32.00 for those that attend for 30 hours**. These charges are based on ALL parents/carers paying the amount due. Your payment is a contribute to the cost of snack and little extras for every child such as birthday and Christmas gifts, celebration food and parties, special visitors coming into school etc.



Please make your termly payment via our school spider appl **Details of how to upload this are available by posters dotted around school or by looking on our website.** You will receive a message as a reminder when payment is due. **All payments are due by the end of the first week of each new half term.**

Nursery Uniform

You may wish to consider purchasing a school t-shirt or sweatshirt. These can be ordered and paid for using our School Spider App. You will be notified when your order is available for collection from the office.



LATE PICK UP CHARGE

If children are collected late this impacts on staffing.

Late pick-ups will be charged at £5 per 15 minutes and is payable on the day.

Nursery places for September 2024

Do you know any families with children who will be 2 or 3 years old soon and are looking for a nursery place from September? If so please encourage them to register for a place at Sandy Lane by contacting the office in person or by ringing **01925 623640**. Please spread the word to friends, family and neighbours about all the wonderful things we do. As parents and carers of children already attending you are the best people to share with others just what a special place Sandy Lane is.

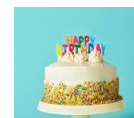
If you are returning to us in September and think you may be eligible for 30 hours free childcare please let us know as soon as possible. If you aren't eligible but would be interested in paying for additional hours please speak to Louise or Janet in the office



Happy Birthday to You. Children:

Albert, Nova-Lee, Harvey, Louie, Niyah, Alexei, Olivia J, Paige C, Maisie C, Olivia H, Arlo-James, Matej K, Maya-Maria, Aria Theo J, Jan K, Barney, Elijah, George J, William, Arthur-James Evie, Cora.

Staff: Jo, Louise, Marcia, Jen, Tegan, Bev, Nikki C



Songs and Rhymes for this half term.



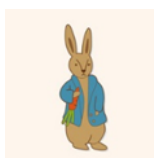
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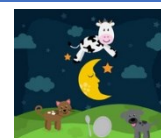
Humpty Dumpty



Miss Polly had a dolly.



Peter Rabbit



Hey Diddle Diddle

School Holidays

School will close at the end of the day on Friday 19th July 2024 and re-open on Wednesday 4th September 2024

Being Healthy



Healthy Eating—Throughout this year our school has actively promoted being healthy and healthy eating as part of our school improvement. Parents and carers of children who attend for 30 hours have been given support and advice on healthy suggestions for lunchboxes, We hope you have enjoyed the recipes we've shared on Tapestry too .

Our website contains lots of information on how you can maintain a healthy lifestyle through physical activity, healthy eating, supporting mental health and well being and good oral hygiene. This information can be found under the 'Parents', 'Keeping Healthy' tabs. There you will also find the link to a range of eBooks and activities which invite children to become familiar with a range of vegetables which we hope will encourage them to want to eat them. Here's the link

<https://www.seeandeat.org/>

Cooking Together is a great website where you can sign up for a link to receive healthy recipes ideas to cook meals from scratch. You will receive 2 recipe ideas a week and they **see & eat** even give you a shopping list of the ingredients needed. Register using the link below



<https://cooktogether.betterhealth-healthierfamilies.co.uk>

Tooth brushing — Last term we launched our tooth brushing programme where children have taken part in a range of activities as they learn about the importance of good oral hygiene. Those who attend for 30 hours have been



Portion sizes for young children are also very important and we know many children can be put off from trying food if there is too much offered on their plate. The British Nutrition Foundation has produced guidance on appropriate sized portions and the range of food recommended for young children can be found using the link below

www.nutrition.org.uk>toddlers-and-pre-school

supported to brush their teeth at nursery whilst others have received a toothbrush and paste to use at home. The Community Dental Service has produced some helpful guidance on how you can support your child with tooth brushing at home.

<https://communitydentalservices.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/12-Top-tips-for-teeth.pdf>



If you have any questions or would like support with any aspect of 'being healthy' please speak to your child's key worker who will be happy to help