# 7th June 2024





# Newsletter

## **Dates for your Diary**

Town Sports - 12th June

Break The Rules Day - 14th June

Sports Day – 24th June (Morning KS2 & Afternoon Reception & KS1)(Parents invited)

Year 6 Transition Days - 25th & 26th June

FOWS Summer Festival "Wheelockstock" - 28th June 5.30-8pm

Whole School Rock Kids - 8th July

Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 22nd July at 9am (Parents invited)

Wheelock's Got Talent - 23rd July

# Break The Rules Day

Forest School and Eco Club are raising money for a mud kitchen, hammocks and new shrubbery for the children to enjoy. These groups are holding a 'Break The Rules' day where the children can break any of the seven rules listed on the poster in exchange for £1 for each rule broken. Please don't feel obliged to take part in this, it is not compulsory but will be lots of fun seeing which rules are broken.



#### Class News

# Penguins and Puffins

A super week in Reception. We have been writing about the Whale from our new text 'The Storm Whale.' We are great at using out phonics to segment to spell and are trying really hard to remember our finger spaces. In Maths, we have been subitising and have started to use the rekenreks to support our number sense. In our Big Wide World theme, we have been learning about sea creatures. We have sorted animals based on where they live and talked about different habitats. We have also been creating more detailed drawings of sea creatures. Keep up the great work, Reception!

## Goldfinches and Woodpeckers

Woodpeckers and Goldfinches have had a great week. We have enjoyed the start of our new text in Literacy - The Last Wolf by Mini Grey. The 'Wanted' posters in our classroom sparked lots of discussion about why the wolf needed to be found. The story then gave us some more clues! We have focused on using verbs and adjectives to write simple sentences to form a poem.

In Maths we have been counting in 2's and 10's and looking at how objects or pictures need to be in equal groups to be able to do this. Please have a go at home to count in 2's to 20 and in 10's to 100. Next week we will be counting in 5's.

In Geography we have used our knowledge of the local area alongside going for a virtual walk around Wheelock using 'Streetview'. This was so much fun and we were very impressed at the children's ability to direct us to different landmarks. We have then talked about the difference between human features (e.g. Houses, shops, pubs, canal) and physical features (e.g. River, woodland). We quickly looked at a photograph of Shanghai - a city in China. We will be comparing Wheelock with Shanghai next week. We would like the children to do their own research about Shanghai and share what they have found with the class next week.

Next week is the 'Phonics Screening Test'. The children have worked so hard and we are proud of all of them. Please complete the final test at home this weekend that will come home today. The children will not see this as a test as they are very used to the activities and know what is expected.

#### Owls and Robins

Welcome back to the summer 2 term. We have had a productive week in Year 2.

In literacy, we have really enjoyed immersing ourselves into our new book, 'Rosie Revere Engineer'. We have been exploring the vocabulary used within it and using this within our own writing.

Also this week, we have started a new computer unit about displaying data in different graphs - we enjoyed creating a pictogram about transport as our first task. In whole class read, we have created our own alliteration titled stories based on 'Fantastic Mr Fox'. We really enjoyed being creative with words and coming up with some funny titles. In RE we have started to explore and understand Judaism. We discussed why trust is important and the beliefs that Jews follow.

Have a lovely weekend.

# Sandpipers, Swans and Kingfishers

In Waterbirds this week, we have been carrying out some brilliant practical science - searching for the habitats for minibeasts throughout the environment of the school grounds - the most populous minibeast being the woodlouse - a relation of the shrimp!

We are still telling the time in maths but have included a.m. and p.m. months, years and durations of time - ask the children if they can tell you how long until the next bus arrives!

In Literacy, the children have begun to discover all about the amazing work of Jacques Cousteau and his amazing invention: The Aqua Lung - this will lead us onto writing about our own incredible inventions.

We have been learning about the weather in French and beginning to design electrical systems in Design and Technology. It has been a busy week first week back. The children showed great respect to the people who sacrificed themselves 80 years ago on D-Day in our special assembly.

Great work this week Waterbirds!

# Eagles, Hawks and Kestrels

We were delighted to welcome the children back after half term this week.

During maths, the year 6 children have been looking at translations and coordinates. They have been reading one and four quadrant grids. The year 5s have been working on decimals. They have been adding, subtracting and looking at place value.

In literacy, we have been planning our survival guides. The children have identified which survival techniques they will describe such as building a fire, creating a survival tin and how to make different shelters.

In science, the children have used electrical equipment to create different circuits to explore different voltage levels. In history, we have looked at evacuees and women during World War 2. IN PSHE, we focused on self-image and how we must ignore negative thoughts about ourselves. We had great fun playing rounders in the sun on Thursday.

Year 6 enjoyed having chats with the high schools on Wednesday afternoon. They are excited to start their transition process in a couple of weeks.

On Thursday, we took part in the DDay 80 celebrations. Mrs French led us in an extremely informative assembly.

What a great week - have an even better weekend!

#### **Praise**

**Reception & Key Stage One** 

Class	Name	Reason		
Penguins	Clara	For her super sentence writing!		
Penguins	Amelia	For her super effort in Phonics!		
Puffins	Edie	For fantastic sea creature drawing and listening carefully to instructions.		
Goldfinches	Harrison	For reading clearly and confidently in our DDay80 Assembly this week.		
Goldfinches	Harley	For reading clearly and confidently in our DDay80 Assembly this week.		
Woodpeckers	Toby	For being a good friend and supportive talk partner this week.		
Woodpeckers	Albie	For some good discussion about 'our loca area' and spotting the physical and human features.		
Owls	Arthur	For being a fantastic addition to the Owls classroom.		
Owls	Amber	For her hard work and her perseverance with presentation and handwriting.		
Robins	Lucas	For being a responsible learner and member of Robins.		
Robins	Will	For showing perseverance this week.		

**Key Stage Two** 

Swans	Jack	For aspiring to be an independent and self- motivated learner and writer in maths. Brilliant! Well done!
Swans	Louie	For showing outstanding contributions within classroom discussions. Excellent!
Sandpipers	Ella	For a brilliant attitude this week and showing a mature approach to all of her lessons!
Sandpipers	Rufus	For showing excellent listening skills in PE and Science this week – well done!
Kingfishers	Ethan	For an outstanding attitude to his learning recently. His dedication to his Maths work is fabulous, and there has been great improvement in handwriting since half term.
Kingfishers	Lewis	For being a fabulous friend and always looking out for others.
Kestrels	Murray	For demonstrating a superb attitude whilst at Stanley Head - he explored all activities with a positive and 'have a go' attitude!  Well done!
Kestrels	Amelia	For scoring the winning half a rounder in PE and really trying her best during our game. Well done!
Hawks	Luis	For showing interest and enthusiasm in our WW2 topic with a fantastic collaborative presentation!
Hawks	Seb	For showing interest and enthusiasm in our WW2 topic with a fantastic collaborative presentation!
Eagles	Oliver	For always showing a great attitude in all lessons.
Eagles	Oskar	For fantastic teamwork in lessons this week.

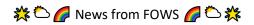
The Hive	Eddie	For being a helpful member of the Hive	
		team	
The Hive	Ella	For being a kind friend to others.	

## The Hive

This week the children have had a fun week playing outside and enjoying team games. The tyres have been a favourite part of their play, as have the tables that have been used as dens.

Indoors we have seen some creative robots made from the Meccano and some exciting Lego creations.

## **FOWS NEWSLETTER**



FOWS Presents 'Wheelockstock'!

We invite you to our first ever music festival on Friday the 28th of June 5.30-8pm.

Wristbands, raffle tickets and tokens are now available to purchase through our website! <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wheelock/index.cfm?event=Shop">https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wheelock/index.cfm?event=Shop</a>

There will be live music and entertainment, free activities, food and drink as well as summer fair classics such as tombolas, games and crafts!

In order to get the whole music festival experience, we are selling wristbands for entry which cost £3 each. However, you can get a free wristband if you qualify for one of the following:

- Are 4 years old or under (no wristband required)
- Can volunteer during the event for at least 30 minutes. Please select a volunteer wristband while purchasing (email fowscontact@gmail.com¹ to let us know your availability)
- Are performing during the event or chaperoning a young performer. Wristbands available through your group leader (1 chaperone per performer)
- Are a free school meals family your complimentary wristbands can be collected from school reception.

Your wristbands may be pre-booked to avoid queues and then collected from a FOWS member after school the day before the event, the afternoon of the event OR you can just pick it up on your way into the event! Don't forget to buy your raffle tickets for our grand draw at the same time! <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wheelock/index.cfm?event=Shop">https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wheelock/index.cfm?event=Shop</a>

The event will have lots of activities included for your wristband as well as the evening entertainment but food and drink vendors will accept card/contactless and all other stalls will be token only as usual.

SEN families will be invited to enter the event 30 minutes early and you can collect your wristbands from the staff/volunteer who greets you (If pre-booked). More info will follow.

If you have any questions at all or would like more information about volunteering, please message me (Lisa Sumner) or email fowscontact@gmail.com<sup>2</sup>

Thanks!
Kind regards,

Lisa Sumner

Chairperson

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## Free School Meals

Please find below the link to apply for Free School Meals. If you do qualify for this it covers lots more than just the school meals therefore it may be worth taking a look.

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/school-meals/free school meals.aspx

### Summer Menu

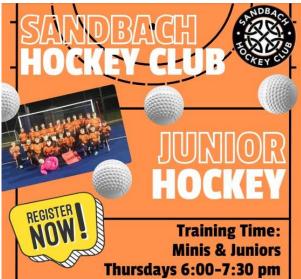
Dates	Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/C: 15.04.2024, 29.04.2024, 13.05.2024, 10.06.2024, 24.06.2024,	Main Choice	Chicken Goujons served with Diced Potatoes & Vegetables	Cheese & Tomato Pizza served with Wedges & Vegetables	Sausages served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	All Day Breakfast	Fish Fingers served with Chips & Vegetables
	Vegetarian Choice	Veggie Fingers served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Pizza served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Sausages served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	All Day Vegan Breakfast	Vegan Dippers served with Chips & Vegetables
08.07.2024,	Jacket Potato	Tuna	Beans	Cheese & Beans	Tuna	Beans
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	Dessert	Lemon Cake or Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Mousse or Fresh Fruit	Cake or Fresh Fruit	Ice Cream or Jelly or Fresh Fruit	Flapjack or Fresh Fruit

Dates	Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W/C: 22.04.2024,	Main Choice	Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables	Pasta Bolognese served with Garlic Bread & Vegetables	Roast Turkey served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Chicken Burger served with Chips & Vegetables
06.05.2024, 20.05.2024, 03.06.2024,	Vegetarian Choice	Vegan Hot Dog served with Wedges & Vegetables	Vegan Meatball Tomato Pasta served with Garlic Bread	Vegan Fillet served with Roast Potatoes, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegan Sausage Roll served with Mash, Vegetables & Gravy	Vegetable Burger served with Chips & Vegetables
17.06.2024, 01.07.2024,	Jacket Potato	Cheese & Beans	Cheese	Tuna	Cheese	Cheese & Beans
15.07.2024,	Sandwich	Tuna	Ham	Cheese	Tuna	Chicken
	Dessert	Shortbread or Fresh Fruit	Jelly or Ice Cream or Fresh Fruit	Marble Cake or Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Crunch or Fresh Fruit	Muffins or Fresh Fruit

# **Community News**







Join us at Sandbach with our Mini and Juniors training, the fun starts from Year 3 to Under 14 on Thursdays!

If you're wanting to give this try, our 3 free sessions for new players are perfect for you.



Summer Hockey training begins on Thursday 6th June 6-7pm, please contact Adam at sbhockeyjuniors@gmail.com<sup>4</sup> if you would like further information.

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# **Open Morning**

For Year 4 and 5 Parents and Carers
Saturday 6 July 2024
9am - 12 noon



Headteacher's talks 9.30am and 11am

Guided tours and lots of games and activities to enjoy!

We are proud of our ambitious school community where students are at the heart of our values.







Please note that buses are available to transport children to and from Sandbach High School who live in the following areas:  $\frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ 

Alsager, Arclid, Betley, Brereton, Church Lawton, Congleton, Coppenhall, Crewe, Haslington, Hassall, Hough, Madeley, Malkins Bank, Middlewich, Northwich, Rode Heath, Rope, Sandbach, Scholar Green, Shavington, Smallwood, Sydney, Willaston, Winsford, Winterley, Wychwood Park. Public transport is also available to/from areas not listed abo



# **Open Evening**

For Year 4, 5 and 6 Parents and Carers

### Thursday 26 September 2024 5-8pm

We warmly welcome you to experience our amazing school in action. Where futures are shaped and opportunities are endless. Come and be part of our magic.





## Parent Workshop Helping Children Manage Worries and Anxiety

