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# NEWSLETTER

July 2022

## Whole School Update

As another year at Sandhurst Primary draws to a close, we would like to say a huge thank you to the children for all their hard work, support and friendship of each other. We are very proud of our lovely school and to be able to celebrate so many fantastic achievements.

From being great role models and buddies to our younger children, brilliant ambassadors on school trips and excursions, to fantastic end of year assessments and SATs results – the children have made us proud! Thanks must go to parents and governors for all their support – we could not do it without you. A special mention must also go to the Parents and Friends, who have once again picked up the reins and provided some fantastic opportunities for children and their families to enjoy, as well as raising lots of money to help us continue to provide the best that we can for all in our school.

The end of 2022 has been extremely eventful. In the last few weeks, our youngest children have visited the Rare Breeds Centre whilst our oldest children have been to Leeds Castle. This week, Year 6 put on an amazing show for us called 'Aladdin Trouble'. This was an open-air performance using our new outside stage and parents and families brought along picnics and blankets to create a festival atmosphere.



On an absolutely scorching afternoon, we also celebrated the upcoming retirement of our nursery manager, Angela Writer. Many of the school's children started their education journey at the nursery and we will all be sorry to see Angela leave.

Last week, Year 6 went to the Mission Church for their leaving service. Rev Ilva and Lyn welcomed us wonderfully and every child was presented with a Bible as a memento of their time at Sandhurst Primary School. Finally, we finished the term with an amazing Year 6 dinner on Monday evening and a lovely leavers' assembly outside on Wednesday.

We hadn't planned for the extreme heatwave that suddenly arrived, so an impromptu afternoon on a 'Slip and Slide' and lots of ice pops kept us all going. What a week!

We hope that everyone has a wonderful summer holiday, and we wish the best of luck to all of our school leavers. Keep in touch – we will miss you all. We will see everyone else back at school on Monday 5th September.



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## Potter Class Update

A poem for my amazing Potter Class – may you all continue to shine and be superstars in year 1.

The end has come so very quick—it's time to move along.  
The final days of Potter Class have been and now are gone,  
This year has been so wonderful; the time has gone so fast,  
We've learnt so much; had so much fun—the time's just whizzed right past,  
Enjoy your summer holidays and get some well-earned rest,  
To start the new year full of beans, prepared to be your best,  
Mrs Player is the lucky one—I am certain this is true,  
Because she gets to teach and spend the year learning fun things with you.

Well done, Potter Class – you should be extremely proud of all you have achieved during your first year at Sandhurst. I will miss you dearly, but I know you are more than ready for the challenges of Year 1!



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## Nightingale Class Update



I can't quite believe we are at the end of Term 6 and we are getting ready for the summer holidays.

What a fabulous and fun term we have had in Nightingale Class. The children have been fully immersed in our topic, learning all about the United Kingdom. They have done some brilliant map work and have enjoyed using the atlases.

Our wonderful trip to The Rare Breeds Centre was brilliantly linked to our science as we learnt about different animal classifications and their diets.

We have covered some tricky topic areas in maths this term, but the children have thoroughly impressed me with their ability to tell the time, as well learning about money and fractions!

In English, we have done some wonderful story writing. The children have really got in the swing of using adjectives and adverbs to describe actions in their stories which helps make their writing more elaborate.

Nightingale Class were fantastic on the Welly Walk—which was quite a distance for little legs. Thank you for all of your support and raising so much money. Of course, our school trip was just fantastic. The children were extremely well-behaved and everyone had a wonderful day out.

Thank you, Nightingale, for such an amazing year and I am sure that you will continue to shine in Darwin Class.



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## Darwin Class Update

What a fantastic last term Darwin Class have had! We have worked extremely hard and enjoyed our learning.

Darwin enjoyed their “Kings, Queens and Castles” topic this term. One particular highlight in art was creating castles with a moving drawbridge. The children planned, made and painted their castles over the course of the term and the outcomes were incredible. Darwin Class also enjoyed learning all about King Henry VIII and the fact that he had six wives.

In maths, Darwin have been learning about measurement which has covered various areas such as volume, weight and length. The children thoroughly enjoyed being hands-on by using different equipment to measure things.

We continued with our story, “Knight in Training”, and created some fantastic Big Writes. A particular favourite was writing a description of a spooky basement, as our two main characters bravely entered the basement in the castle. The children used fantastic descriptive language and I felt scared reading some of them!

Various extra-curricular activities Darwin enjoyed this term included the Welly Walk, the trip to Leeds Castle and some extra time in Windmill Woods. The children thrive on being active and it was great to see them all engage and enjoy these outings.

Thank you for a fantastic year, Darwin. We can't believe how grown up you all are and we will miss you next year. Have a great summer!



## Pankhurst Class Update

Pankhurst Class have had a fabulous Term 6.

In topic, we have furthered our knowledge and understanding of Kenya. The class thoroughly enjoyed using an atlas to locate Kenya and compare it to England. We made a list of similarities and differences, using photographs to help us. We also familiarised ourselves with the eight points of a compass and used them to help give directions.

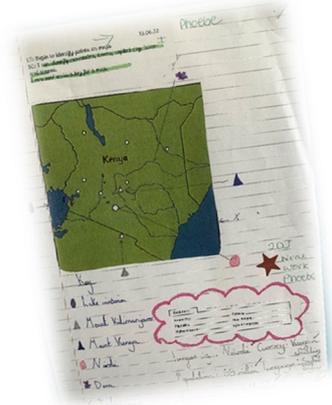
Our work in art has also been linked to Africa. We designed, made and reviewed African masks, using papier mâché.

Evolution has been our focus in science, and we have had some interesting discussions about inherited characteristics. We also investigated the evolution of the peppered moth. Do you know what caused its evolution? We investigated how many peppered moths we could collect with tweezers in two minutes.

We have even managed to squeeze in some gardening this term, and Mr Digby has been very impressed with the children's weeding skills!

I really cannot believe how fast the year has gone, but Miss Chandler, Ms Boriani and I have thoroughly enjoyed every minute. Thank you, Pankhurst!

Have a fun summer holiday!



## Shakespeare Class Update

As we come speeding to the end of another term and school year, I wonder where the time has gone. It has been another fun term in Shakespeare Class with the children enjoying lots of activities. We have also loved welcoming several new children to the class and having Miss Lawrance back after her maternity leave.

We have continued to work hard in all areas of the curriculum; continued with our book, "Journey to the River Sea" in English; learnt all about different types of maps and atlases in topic; and continued to learn all about human and animal evolution in science. We have also really enjoyed our swimming lessons at Claremont School and have made terrific progress over the term.

We were lucky enough to have good weather for our Welly Walk and loved our trip to Leeds Castle. We have also been enjoying some end of term activities: a final trip to Windmill Woods and a class party.

Thank you, Shakespeare Class, for being such a hard-working, fun-loving class – Miss Brinsley and I will miss you next year. Have a great summer!



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## Churchill Class Update

What an incredible last term we have had celebrating “The Class of 2022”. We have been super busy!

In addition to all the fantastic whole school events, and in amongst transition visits and taster days, we have also attended the Kent Police Open Day; put on a sensational performance of “Aladdin Trouble”; received Bibles at our Church leavers’ service; enjoyed great food, partied and danced away at our Year 6 dinner; had our very last Forest School session; and said our final farewells during our leavers’ assembly!

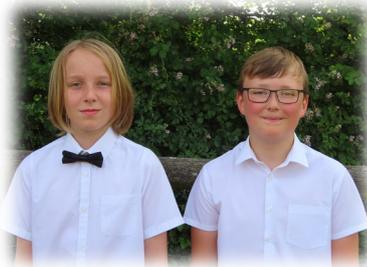


Churchill Class of 2022, it has been wonderful celebrating your Sandhurst Primary School journey. We would like to wish you all a wonderful summer and all the very best of luck in your new secondary schools. With all our very best wishes, from the Churchill Team.



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# Aladdin Trouble



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## Year 6 Dinner



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## Slip and Slide



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## Sandhurst P.T.F.A.

Another year has passed, and I would like to extend my thanks to all parents, staff and friends of our lovely school for the amazing support we have had this year. It has finally felt like we have been able to have a relatively “normal” year of fundraising, albeit having to make some last-minute changes to the Christmas events at the end of Term 2 when Covid struck.



The PTFA has managed to raise a fantastic amount of money over the year and we have been able to make an end of year donation to the school of £2,700 to put towards the costs of the new outdoor stage and KS1 play equipment. We are hoping to add to this donation early next year after some of our events in Terms 1 and 2. In addition, we have made further donations amounting to £600 for the following events:

Pancakes for the children on Pancake Day

Book bags for 2022 Year R intake

Flowers for Mother’s Day

Chocolates for Father’s Day

Decorations for the Year 6 dinner

End of Term Slip & Slide.

The support we have had at all our events this year has been overwhelming, especially when everyone’s finances are being stretched with the cost of living rising so much at the moment. The money we raise really does positively help the school, so thank you to everyone for supporting our events ... and buying back the cakes you all so generously made!

Looking forward to next year, Mrs Norman and I are very mindful about future proofing the PTFA and we will be looking for a group of people who would be willing to form a committee and run the PTFA going forward. If you are interested in being involved, please let us know; otherwise, there is a very real risk of losing the PTFA after next year. This would be such a shame for the school.

Wishing you all a very happy summer and looking forward to seeing you in September,

Sophie.



## Local News and Events



Wealden Pilates

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I teach you how to find your inner core through specific exercises.

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The Festival Theatre  
at HEVER CASTLE

heverfestival.co.uk 07379 488477

JUNE - SEPTEMBER

*"My children loved seeing live theatre and play in Hever Castle gardens after. The perfect day!"*

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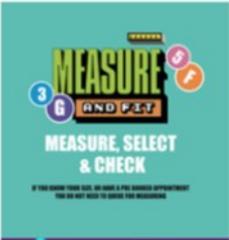


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*Clarks.*

## Dates for your diary

### Diary Dates 2022-23

	End of Term
21 <sup>st</sup> Jul	INSET Day – children not in school
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Day-children not in school
1st Sept	INSET DAY—children not in school
2nd Sept	INSET DAY—children not in school
5th Sept	Children back to school
15th Sept	School Photographer - Individual Photos
24th Oct - 28th Oct	October Holiday

## Term Dates 2022-23

### Term 1

**INSET** Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

Starts Monday 5th September 2022

Ends Friday 21st October 2022

**Holiday** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Term 2

Starts Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Ends Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

**Holiday** Monday 19th December 2022 – Monday 2nd January 2023

### Term 3

**INSET** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

Starts Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Ends Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Holiday** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

### Term 4

Starts Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Ends Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

**Holiday** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023– Friday 14th April 2023

### Term 5

Starts Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

**Bank Holiday** Monday 1st May 2023

Ends Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

**Holiday** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023

### Term 6

Starts Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**INSET** 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

Ends Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023

### **INSET DAYS**

1<sup>st</sup> September 2022

2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

