

# SANDFIELD CLOSE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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**This week's news from Sandfield Close.  
What learning looks like in our school.**

## Eco and Environmental news from Sandfield Close

On Wednesday environmental education at Sandfield Close was showcased at the National Sustainable Schools Conference at City Hall. Mrs Dhillon gave a presentation about our Eco Club and involvement with Eco-Schools, our whole school approach to sustainability and environmental issues and our commitment to Food For Life. Delegates were impressed by the development of our outdoor learning space; our keyhole garden and vegetable patch; our commitment to walking to school and cycle training and our whole school approach to cooking and healthy eating.

Gr8 to see @AvenuePrimarySc Eco video, Mrs Dhillon told everyone how great Eco things are @SandfieldClose @SEEd\_Edu



On Thursday we welcomed a group of visitors, from Japan and Korea, who, having attended the Sustainable Schools Conference, came to Sandfield Close to see our environmental education projects for themselves. After a tour of the school and discussions with staff, they met with a group of our older children to gain their perspective on Eco-Schools and were most impressed by the confidence of our children and their ability to participate in the discussion.



Next week we are being visited by an Eco-Schools assessor as part of our Green Flag assessment. The visit will focus on a range of evidence about our whole school approach to environmental education.

## Have you heard about our herd?

On Thursday evening Mrs Dhillon and Miss Eames attended an awards ceremony at London Zoo with Dr Jane Goodall's Roots and Shoots. The children presented our recycling projects and were delighted to find that news of our ***Have you heard about our herd?*** project is spreading around the country. Meeting environmental campaigner Dr Jane Goodall in person made it a very special evening.



We are creating a special herd of elephants made from recycled milk containers. The elephants are all unique. We are using the herd to encourage recycling and to raise awareness of wildlife conservation and endangered species. Thank you to everyone who has already contributed an elephant. We are hoping that yet more elephants will arrive in school next week.

## Thank you for supporting World Book Day

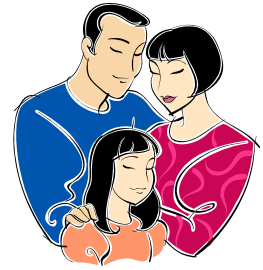
The school was very chilled and laidback yesterday with most children and staff wearing a combination of pyjamas, dressing gowns and onesies. Our 408 children were joined by hundreds of teddy bears and other cuddlies to mark World Book Day.



World Book Day £1 book tokens were sent home with the children and can be used for orders from the Schloastic Book Club magazine.

## Parent Teacher meetings

We will be holding Parent-Teacher meetings next week. Attainment updates are being sent home with the children today and give a snapshot of your child's current attainment against age-related expectations.



The school kitchen will be open 4.00-6.00pm on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March. Come along and sample some of our tasty lunch menus.

## Class group photographs on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March

Just a quick reminder that the photographer from Tempest will be in school next Wednesday to take class photographs. Please make sure your child is wearing their school uniform.

## Vote for Sandfield Close

Sandfield Close has been nominated for a community grant as part of the Tesco Bags of Help scheme. Voting closes on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March at the following Tesco stores: Granby Street Express, Humberstone Express, Belgrave Gate Express, Welford House Express, Melton Road, Hamilton Extra, Leicester Extra – Beaumont Shopping Centre and Evington Metro. If you shop at any of these Tesco stores this weekend, please vote for our school. The money will support our project to involve children in growing fresh vegetables and promoting healthy eating.



## I have a dream celebration for Year 5

On Wednesday Year 5 children attended a special event at De Montfort University to celebrate their achievements in the I have a dream programme which they have been working on with support from Kaine Management.

## Year 5 does Shakespeare

Year 5 are currently studying Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet. Today Year 5 left their uniform at home and arrived dressed in period costume. We even constructed a temporary balcony outside the Science mobile.



# Big Cook Little Cook...

## .... and a very big Thank you


Jody and Julie started another series of Big Cook Little Cook sessions this week, providing opportunities for parents and children to cook together. This is part of our ongoing involvement with Food For Life and our drive to educate children about healthy eating.



The cooking sessions are going well and we hope to be able to continue with them for the rest of the year. The cooking equipment: bowls, trays, rolling pins, jugs, microwave, knives, chopping boards, baking tins etc were purchased for the school by the Sandfield PTA. We are very grateful to the PTA for equipping us to run cooking sessions and we will make sure that we use the equipment to give all our children an opportunity to cook.



## Next week's lunch menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Special Mother's Day lunch menu 	Chick Pea & Potato Curry Rice & Naan  Savoury Vegemince Vegetable Pasta Bake  Tuna Pasta  Tiddy Yorkshire Puds Malted Baguette  Broccoli Florets Sweetcorn Mixed Salad  Auntie Dots Biscuit Iced Marble Sponge  White Bread  Milk Fruit Yogurt	Yellow Moong Curry Rice & Chapatti  Quorn Fillet Vegetable Curry  Sliced Gammon  Boiled Potatoes Steamed Rice  Green Beans Mixed Vegetables Mixed Salad  Cornflake Tart & Custard Plain Muffin  Brown Bread Pineapple/Gravy  Milk Fruit Yogurt	Kidney Bean & Sweetcorn Curry Rice & Naan  Cheese & Tomato Pizza Vegetable Moussaka  Jacket Potato Crusty Bread  Baked Beans Sweetcorn Mixed Salad  Fruit Medley Choc & Cherry Tray Bake  White Bread Milk Fruit Yogurt	Sprouting Moong Bean & Math Curry Rice & Chapatti Cheese & Vegetable Bake Quorn Louisiana  Battered Cod  Chips Tortilla Garden Peas Sliced Carrots Mixed Salad  Steamed Toffee Apple Sponge & Custard Ice Cream  Brown Bread Tomato Sauce/Vinegar  Milk Fruit Yogurt

**Hope your weekend goes according to plan.**