

Weekly Newsletter



News of the Week!

This week our Year 6 children and our wellbeing ambassadors delivered our Picture News assembly. The focus of the assembly was on the theme of this year's Children's Mental Health Week: "Know yourself, grow yourself." The children thought about how learning about our world can help us to learn more about ourselves. Perhaps you could think together about what makes you happy and what makes you sad, what you enjoy doing and what you don't enjoy doing.

The wellbeing ambassadors are also running a competition across the school to design a poster/ picture/ poem (anything goes really!) about mental health and wellbeing. It could be a picture of a healthy lunchbox, a poster of mindfulness techniques or a poem about being unique. All entries are to be handed in by Wednesday 12th February. Prizes will be awarded in the following celebration assembly.



Sleep Awareness Month



This month marks the very first Children's Sleep Awareness Month.

If you need any support or information regarding sleep strategies please see the below information which comes from The Sleep Charity, they provide helpful advice on healthy sleep habits for children. There is also the Teen Sleep Hub (<u>https://teensleephub.org.uk/</u>) for older children, which offers great guidance for those starting to develop more independent sleep routines.

We all know how important sleep is for children's learning, behaviour, and overall well-being. Raising awareness could help families better understand the impact of good sleep habits and provide support for those who may be struggling.

Weekly attendance w/c 27.01.2025 Reception— 94.64% Year 1 – 98%

Year 2— 98% Year 4— 98.62% Year 6— 92.8% Year 1 – 98% Year 3— 97.93% Year 5— 96.67%

Well Done News

Congratulations to Lily in Year 6 for her horse riding achievements. Lily received first place at the Summer Championships. Well done, Lily!



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PTA Forthcoming Events

What: Silver Smarties Fundraising

When: 15th - 23rd February

What: Children receive a Smarties tube from the PTA and then refill it collecting loose change in exchange for helping parents in the holidays. There's a prize for the class who collects the most! How to Book: No booking is necessary

What: World Book Day

When: All day Thursday 6th March

Suggested Donation Per Child: £5 What: Dress up as a favourite book character and hunt for Wonderlicious Golden Tickets. One bar (or alternative entry) per child is included unless extras are purchased. Additional in-class WBD Activities supported by Teaching Staff. Extra Bars may be available to buy after school on 6th and 7th March. How to Book: www.cognitoforms.com/SandiwayPTA/ WorldBookDay2025

What: Bingo and Bhuna Night hosted by Taxi Mike

When: Friday 21st March 7-11pm Where: St John's Church Hall Cost per Ticket: £10 includes Bingo book and a plate of curry Who: Adults only but the whole village community How to Book: <u>https://www.cognitoforms.com/</u> SandiwayPTA/BingoAndBhuna

What: Easter Disco

When: Wednesday 2nd April Times: KS1 4-5 and KS2 5:15-6:15 Cost: £5 Where: Sandiway School Hall How to Book: <u>https://</u> www.cognitoforms.com/SandiwayPTA/ EasterDisco2025

To confirm our next PTA Monthly meeting is the evening of 13th February, if you want to join virtually, details will follow.

Hot Chocolate Friday!

Well done to Jules (Rec), Arizona (Y1), Betsy (Y2), Erin (Y3), (Y4), Darwin (Y5), Noah H (Y6), Jack (Office), Noah R & Thor (Mr A's Club) and Vanessa and Margot (Club) who all won Headteacher Awards for showing respect and Sonnie for Attendance on Friday 31st January.





Athletics

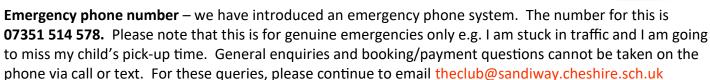
Last Monday, 22 Year 5 & 6 children represented the school brilliantly in the Sports Hall Athletics event at Weaverham High School. We came 2nd (by only 2 points) and each and every child gave 100% in all the events that they took part in and cheered each other on in the races. Well done to all.

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Club Rock News



Club Rock Summer Club – by popular demand our Summer Club will return. To allow us to assess demand for this, please could you complete the following survey: <u>https://forms.gle/r5Gf93gZBWbzddAd8</u>. This will close on Monday 24th February. Please note this is a survey only and does not constitute a booking. We will communicate with you once bookings on IPAL are available.

End of half term party – We will enjoy our end of half term Valentine's themed party with a treat tea on Tuesday 11th February next week. If your child leaves at 4.30pm and you wish to extend their booking to stay for tea, please email me ASAP to let me know <u>theclub@sandiway.cheshire.sch.uk</u> and I will update your booking.

IPAL - Making payments using the TFC voucher system on iPAL

Further to the letter sent out recently regarding IPAL payments using the TFC voucher system on IPAL, please ensure you are aware of the following steps before making your payments.

1. **Top Up HMRC Account**: Please ensure that you have sufficient funds in your HMRC account before making a payment. It is essential to top up the account prior to making the booking and making your payment, so the payment can be processed. By clicking 'Pay by Gov Tax Free,' as below, you then don't need to send the payment from your TFC account as IPAL will request payment on your behalf.

2. **Use of TFC Code Reference**: When making the payment, **you must include** your Childs unique TFC code as the reference in the "Reference" field. The payment will not be processed without this reference.

3. Already made payment before entering the information on IPAL? If you have already initiated a payment from your TFC account before entering your information into IPAL, to reconcile your account please click, 'pay by voucher or other methods' and select TFC as you would have done historically, as below.

Thank you Liz Segrott—Club Rock Leader

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