



Newsletter 24th October 2019

Harvest Festival

Thank you for all your generous donations to Baldock and Letchworth Foodbank.


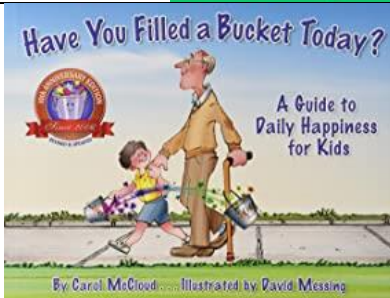
Once again, we feel so grateful to have such kind, caring people in our school community. Well done to all the children for their singing, reading and dancing. Many people have commented on what an uplifting service it was. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work in preparing the assembly and to Mrs Bowden for leading singing practise.

Remembrance

On Friday 8th November we will be going to the church to perform our remembrance assembly. Please join us for this assembly at 10.45am. Please leave the pews in the main body of the church for the children to sit on.

In the front office we have a selection of poppies and other items which can be purchased. All money raised will go the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Assemblies this week:

Monday	We talked about everyone being an individual and the fact that different people are good at different things. Nobody is good at everything but ever body is good at something.	
Tuesday	We talked about the importance of kindness and the fact that we all have a 'bucket' which gets full when we are ki8nd to ourselves and others. We talked about treating people the way we want to be treated.	
Wednesday	We talked about the fact that over 1 billion people will be celebrating Diwali or the Festival of Lights over the next few days. We watched a film about Diwali celebrations and then we did a quiz. We scored 5/5. https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/15451833	
Thursday	Singing assembly	
Friday	Celebration assembly with parents	

Our Garden and Produce Stall

We don't have a great deal growing in the garden at the moment, but we do have a small greenhouse in which we are cultivating some herbs in pots. There is currently cress on the table and after half term we will have some coriander and parsley ready. If you have any small plastic plant pots at home that you would like to donate, they would be gratefully received. We also have lots of parsley and sage growing in the garden which you are very welcome to come and trim (for a small donation) before or after school. We had real success with our sunflowers this year and we have Sandon Sunflower Seeds available at the front desk in return for a small donation.

Recycling

Thank you so much to all of you who are bringing recycling to school to help raise school funds. So far Louise Crankshaw has sorted and packaged many kilos of recycling and we are awaiting a cheque for an amazing £427! A huge thank you to Louise and her family for turning their garage into a recycling centre in order to benefit our pupils.

Sport News



Netball Festival at St Francis

Well done to all our children who played in this festival. They played some good netball and improved their knowledge of the game.



Girls' District Football Tournament at St Mary's School, Baldock

All our girls tried their best and improved as the tournament progressed. They tried out different positions and increased their knowledge of the game. They showed excellent sportsmanship throughout and represented our school positively – well done girls!

Half-term

All the staff at Sandon JMI School hope you have a safe and restful half-term. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 4th November to continue with the excellent learning that has been going on this half-term.



Thank you everyone who booked a spot at the FOSS Quiz Night next month. Unfortunately, due to lack of interest, we have had to cancel this event. Any money paid will be returned shortly after half term. We hope to be able to reschedule for some time after Christmas.

The Halloween disco is very much on though! This Friday, directly after school. £3 to get in, which includes a drink, hot dog and biscuit to decorate. Infants will need to be supervised, and everyone needs to be picked up at 4.30pm. Costumes are welcome but not compulsory!

Diary Dates

October

Friday 25th : Halloween Disco – 3.15pm – 4.30pm (see FOSS page)
: Last day of half term

November

Monday 4th : Y6 Height, Weight and Measures (School Nurse)
Thursday 7th : 1.30pm to 5.30pm – District Basketball Tournament at Highfield, Yr 5 and 6
Friday 8th : Remembrance Service at the Church 10.45am
Tuesday 12th : 3.30pm to 5.45pm - Boccia Festival
Wednesday 13th : Y3 & Y4 Netball v St Frances (away), after school - team tba
: FOSS Meeting
Thursday 14th : Nasal Flu – All years
Thursday 14th : Netball vs Hartsfield (away)
Friday 15th : Individual School photos
: Children in Need (Cake sale after school)
Monday 18th : Netball vs Lordship (home)
Thursday 21st : U9 Festival at Highfield – Times TBC
: Travelling Books (Book Fair) arrives at school for 4 days
Friday 22nd : 3pm to 4.30pm – Girls' Swimming Gala at St Francis
Monday 25th : Netball vs Lordship (away)
Thursday 28th : Rapid Fire Cricket at Fearnhill – Time TBC
Friday 29th : Christmas Jumper Sale

December

Tuesday 3rd : Trip to Panto at Hertford Theatre (1pm – 4.30pm)
Friday 6th : Mums' and Dads' Stall for pupils
Saturday 7th : Village Christmas Market
Tuesday 10th : 3.45pm to 5.45pm - U11 Zone Basketball at Knights Templar
Wednesday 11th : 2pm – Whole School Performance to family and friends
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Thursday 12th : 6pm – Whole School Performance to family and friends
Friday 13th : Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 18th : Nativity at the Church – 9.30am (changed from 19th Dec)
Wednesday 18th : Christmas Dinner Day
Wednesday 18th : Governors' meeting – 7.30pm
Thursday 19th : Christmas Movie Night (3.15pm – 4.30pm)
Friday 20th : Carols for the village
: End of Term (1pm finish)

Please see the school website for more dates throughout the year www.sandon.herts.sch.uk