

Friday 29th November 2024



# Sandringham

## Infant & Nursery Academy

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Dear parents and carers,

The weather has continued to get colder over the last couple of weeks and I would like to thank you all for your support in ensuring children come to school each day with a named coat, hat and gloves. This makes such a difference in helping them stay warm and comfortable during outdoor play and learning.

Thanks to your feedback and the efforts of our SENCo, Mrs Sanghavi, we are pleased to share that she has arranged an online workshop with Mindworks Surrey, focusing on how to support children with anxiety. This will take place on Tuesday 3rd December from 9:30am to 10:30am and will be a fantastic opportunity to gain practical advice and strategies to support your child; please find details of how to register on the flyer later in the newsletter.

The lead-up to Christmas is always a busy and exciting time and we are kicking off our celebrations next week with the PTA Christmas Fayre on Wednesday! We are also inviting the children to wear mufti for the day – this can be normal home clothes or a Christmas-themed outfit. You will also see that the PTA have made a generous donation to ensure that every child can watch our Christmas pantomime free of charge this year on Tuesday 17th December—another example of the fantastic support they offer to every child at Sandringham. If you have not yet made your £5 donation for the fayre, please do so on the PTA website: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofsandringham/>.

In our assemblies over the past couple of weeks, we have been learning the Makaton signs for 'Good morning', 'Good afternoon' and 'How are you?' It has been wonderful to see the children engaging so positively with these and we hope they'll continue to use them around school and beyond.

Finally, an important request to please make sure you park safely and considerately at all times. We have had reports from local residents of dangerous parking from a minority of parents and carers and instances where neighbours' driveways have been blocked. Please help us maintain good relationships with our community by ensuring you always park safely, legally and respectfully.

Take care,  
Mr Lodge

### **Star of the Week and Core Values Awards**

A huge well done to all of these superstars for winning a Star of the Week or Core Values award!

#### **Star of the Week**

Leela, Oscar, Mimi, Poppy, Hudson, Kajus,  
Marwan, Harry, Alexander, Adwyn, Alana

#### **Core Values**

Ava-Rose, Katie, Anya, George, Amelia, Sophia,  
Reggie, Joshua, Jennifer, Reggie, Bodhi, Frankie





# General updates

## Attendance

Whole school target: 97%

Year-to-date whole school attendance: 95%

### Class groups' attendance:

Moles —95%

Hedgehogs — 91%

Squirrels — 96%

Owls — 97%

Rabbits — 97%

Foxes — 95%

## Diary updates:

### Autumn 2

Wednesday 4th December—PTA Christmas fayre (wear Christmas jumpers/mufti) **\*updated date\***

Monday 16th December—sponsored reindeer run for Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice

Tuesday 17th December—Christmas pantomime, sponsored by the PTA

Wednesday 18th December—YR nativity performance at Frimley Baptist Church (9am)

Thursday 19th December—YR nativity performance at Frimley Baptist Church (9am)

Friday 20th December—Christmas dinner for lunch (wear Christmas jumpers/mufti)

Friday 20th December—last day of term (1:10pm collection)

### Spring 1

Monday 6th January—first day of term

Friday 17th January—INSET day (academy closed to all children)

## Year 2 multi-skills competition

On Thursday 14th November, ten of our Y2 children took part in the first multi-skills competition of the year at Heather Ridge Infant School. They competed against children from Prior Heath and Heather Ridge in a range of different activities, including a relay race and an obstacle course. We are absolutely delighted that we came in first place and will be receiving the trophy next week! A huge well done to Esmae, Bodhi, Penny, Blake, Harriet, Hudson, Caleb, Lewis, Bodhi and Finn!

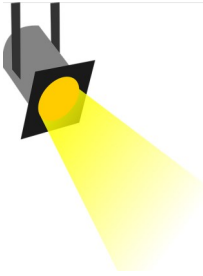


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# Spotlight on EYFS...



This week, the spotlight is on our **Nursery and Reception classes**.

In Nursery, over the past few weeks, we have been having a blast learning about fireworks and bonfire night! The children have been very crafty, using tissue paper and wood shavings to make their own firework collages. We also loved hitting paint with mallets to make a big firework display. Finally, the children made their own edible sparklers, which were very tasty! All of our learning has helped the children to explore different sounds, colours and celebrations.



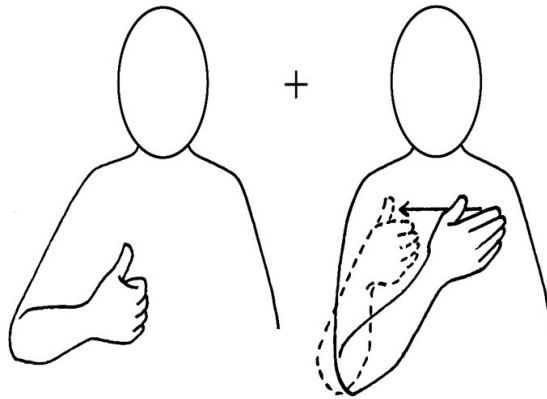
In Reception, we have settled into P.E. lessons with our coaches really well—everyone is really proud of us. We have been working hard on controlling our speed while moving in spaces and knowing where our bodies are. We love when we get to act as different animals and move like them during our warmups. We have also started practising for our Nativity and we can't wait to share it with you in just a few weeks!



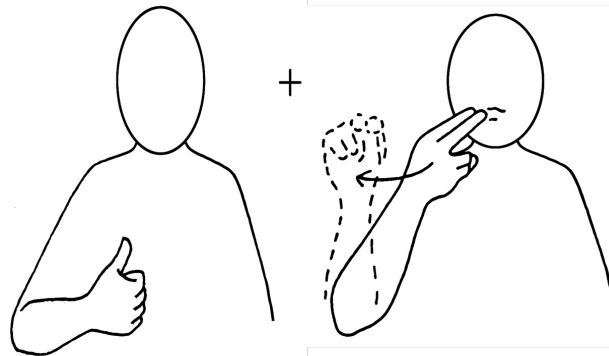


# Makaton signs of the week

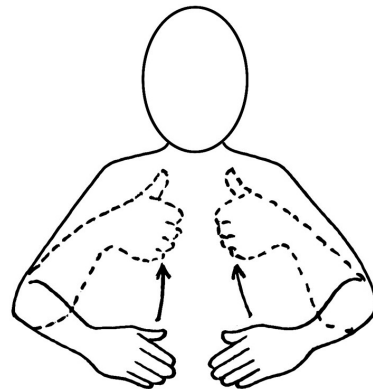
Over the last two weeks, we have started to learn Makaton across the school! We have learnt that Makaton is a language programme that combines the use of speech, signs and symbols and that Makaton helps people to communicate, build relationships, understand each other and develop language skills.



**Good morning**



**Good afternoon**



**How are you?**



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# New Attendance Rules!

There are new rules for unauthorised absences, whether this is due to holiday, irregular attendance, or otherwise. Don't get caught out!

# 1

**I'm a parent and I want to take my child out of school for a half or full day.**

Any absence must be recorded on an absence request form. The form enables us to communicate whether an absence will be authorised or unauthorised. Holiday requests will not be authorised. If your child will miss 5 school days, they will be given a penalty notice fine. The fine is **£80 per parent, per child, if you pay it in 21 days, otherwise it is £160.**



For each child a penalty is given...



**4 children & 1 parent = £320**  
Doubled to £640 if not paid in 21 days

**For a family of 2 parents & 2 children**



**£160 x2 = £320**  
Doubled to £640 if not paid in 21 days

**What happens if school suspects children are actually on holiday?**

Photos on Facebook?  
Foreign mobile dial tone?  
Other children talking about your holiday?  
Amazing sun tan?  
Home visit shows no-one at home?



Please don't be offended if we ask for evidence or mention these questions to you. We're required to do this to ensure a fair system!

# 2

**What about subsequent absences? Is it still the same penalty amount?**

**No, not anymore.** If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> leave of absence OR pattern of irregular attendance, which is unauthorised, then...

**2<sup>nd</sup> TIME**

**2 parents and...**  
1 child = £320  
2 children = £640  
3 children = £960  
4 children = £1280

**NO DISCOUNT FOR EARLY PAYMENT**

**3<sup>rd</sup> TIME**

A penalty notice fine **will not** be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court. A magistrate can fine each parent £2,500 for each child.

**1 parent & 4 children = £10,000**  
**2 parents and 4 children = £20,000**

# 3

**What about irregular attendance? Could I get a penalty notice?**

If your child is absent (or late after registers) for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks, and their absences are unauthorised, then the school is required to consider penalty notices / prosecution.



So, half a day here and day there could all add up to 10 sessions in 10 weeks. If unauthorised, then it would be a penalty notice. Remember, 1 day is 2 sessions (morning and afternoon).

# YES

# 4

**What are typical reasons given that won't be authorised?**

**Unless there are exceptional circumstances**

A family member's birthday  
Shopping for uniforms  
Inadequate clothing for school  
Child being used as a carer  
Problems with transport  
Visiting relatives abroad

Sickness of parent or sibling  
Sibling's school closed  
Refusing to attend, but able to  
Poor family organisation  
Family holidays  
No absence request completed  
Non-essential appointments

Where attendance is irregular, or historically poor, sickness absences may be unauthorised unless medical confirmation by a GP surgery is given.



**EVERY DAY COUNTS – ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW**

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### Is your child starting school in September 2025?

Ofsted  
Good  
Provider

We would love to invite you to visit  
Sandringham Infant and Nursery Academy!



Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2024 – 9:15am

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – 2:15pm

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024 – 9:15am

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – 2:15pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024 – 9:15am

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025 – 9:15am

Scan the QR code to book your place:



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**Mindworks**  
Surrey

**NHS**

Surrey and Borders  
Partnership  
NHS Foundation Trust

# Is your child struggling with anxiety?

Mindworks Surrey Children's  
Wellbeing Practitioners would like  
to invite parents to an online  
webinar on supporting my anxious  
child

**Tuesday 3rd December 09:30am-  
10:30am via MS Teams**

**Please register your interest by emailing  
[rxx.sabpcwpsw@nhs.net](mailto:rxx.sabpcwpsw@nhs.net) . Once registered you will receive a  
Teams invite to the session**





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## FAQs

- **What if I can't access the internet?** - Please contact your school SENCo who can arrange for you to join on a laptop from within school
- **What if I can't attend at that date and time?**- the webinar will be recorded, we encourage you to attend in person to be able to interact and ask questions, but if you are unable to attend please still register your interest and we can send you the recording via email.
- **I'm not sure if my child is anxious or my child is not anxious right now, should I still attend?** - Yes! We will be discussing what anxiety is, how it presents and how to support your child. The strategies are suitable to use now with any child anxious or not, or will be helpful in the future should your child develop anxiety.
- **I'm anxious about speaking or being seen on camera** - Whilst we would encourage you to interact as much as possible there is no expectation to share. We encourage you to have your cameras on but if you really feel you can not that is OK too. We would rather you are there to listen than not at all!
- **I can only attend for part of the session** - We would encourage you to put other distractions on hold for the hour where possible and attend the whole session to get the most benefit however if you need to leave please make us aware in the chat so we know you are safe and you can request a copy of the recording to catch up at a later date.

Find out more at  
[mindworks-surrey.org](https://mindworks-surrey.org)







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The Kite Academy Trust  
Kite Family Hub



## Family Support Worker

# Come & Ask sessions

### Come & Ask sessions

Our Kite Family Support Workers will be holding Come & Ask sessions fortnightly during the Autumn term. One-hour appointments are available every other Thursday morning between 9:00am and 1:30pm. During the Come & Ask session you will have the opportunity to share what the concern is, discuss it and look at ways to address the situation.

Sessions can focus on a range of topics that impact you and/or your child. This may include (but is not exclusive to) sleep patterns, routines, diet, child anxiety, parent anxiety, family finances, housing and your child's behaviour.

All appointments can be booked via Eventbrite using the link below.

Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2024
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2024
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Appointments can be held virtually through Microsoft Teams\*, by telephone or face to face.**

(\*You do not require a Microsoft account to be able to access this)

### Booking Link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/kite-fsw-come-ask-autumn-term-2024-tickets-964964243027>

The Kite Family Hub is located next to Mytchett Primary & Nursery Academy, Hamesmoor Road,  
Mytchett, GU16 6JB

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Parenting

Celebrating and  
Inspiring  
Children Who Do  
It Differently

Out of Hours  
ADHD  
Helpline

Schools  
ADHD Awareness  
Training

## Barnardo's Surrey Neurodevelopmental Services

**Are you a parent or carer in Surrey of a  
young person who presents with ADHD  
behaviours?**

*No diagnosis required to receive support*

**Our helpline is here to  
support you, no referral  
needed.**

**0300 222 5755**

*Free to call, press option 4*

**5pm-11pm 365 days**

**Our trained helpline practitioners are able to  
support with a variety of concerns.**

Sleep Concerns

Diet Concerns

Friendships and Bullying

Dopamine Seeking Behaviours

Routines

School Anxiety

Screen Time Limits

Connections with Family or

Siblings

Risky Behaviours



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## New Mindworks Neurodevelopmental Offer for Schools

### **Free workshop for Parents & Carers: Building Confidence - Identifying and Supporting Additional Needs**

A 5-week workshop held in your school to help parents and carers identify and support their children's needs.

Topics covered:

- Communication & Interaction
- Social, Emotional & Mental Health
- Cognition & Learning
- Physical & Sensory Need
- Navigating the System & Signposting to Support

Each session includes:

- 45 minutes workshop followed by tea/coffee and chat
- Practical activities and ideas that can be followed up at home
- Information pack with topic content, resources and signposting

For more information on hosting the workshop in your school, contact your local School Based Neurodevelopmental Practitioner:

Runnymede	Sarah Denton <a href="mailto:sarah.denton@eikon.org.uk">sarah.denton@eikon.org.uk</a>
Surrey Heath	BOTH
Waverley	Katy Winning <a href="mailto:katy.winning@eikon.org.uk">katy.winning@eikon.org.uk</a>



## CHRISTMAS IN FRIMLEY PARISH

### 8th December

Christingle Service - 4pm at St Peter's Church

### 15th December

Holy Communion with Carols - 10am at St Francis' Church

Advent All Age Café Church - 10am at St Peter's Church

### 17th December

Follow The Star Trail - 4.30pm at St Francis' Church  
*finishing in the church hall with hot chocolate and cake.*

### 21st December

Decorate the Church - 10am-12noon at St Peter's Church

### 22nd December

Nine Lessons and Carols by Candlelight Service - 4pm  
at St Peter's Church

### CHRISTMAS EVE

Relaxed Crib Service - 10.30am at St Francis' Church  
*A service designed specifically for children with  
additional needs and their families.*

Crib Service - 4pm at St Peter's Church

First Communion of Christmas - 11.30pm at St Peter's Church

### CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Communion - 8am at St Peter's Church

Christmas Celebration with Communion - 10am  
at St Peter's Church

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WINTER

30TH

NOVEMBER 2024

10AM-2PM

FREE ADMISSION  
LUNCH SOLD FROM 12PM

ST PETER'S  
CHURCH & HALL

FRIMLEY GREEN ROAD,  
GU16 7AQ

★  
FOOD

GIFT IDEAS

LOCAL CRAFTS

NORTH POLE POST OFFICE

CAKE



Safe



COME TO OUR NORTH POLE  
POST OFFICE AND WRITE A  
LETTER TO SANTA, RECEIVE A  
REPLY AND A PRESENT.  
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### Kite Academy Trust Term Dates & Holidays

2024-25

- Start of Term
- INSET Day
- End of Term
- Public Holiday
- Academy Holiday

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