



Sneyd Green Primary School Newsletter

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“Together we make a difference”

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

We are extremely delighted and very grateful to inform you that we have been nominated by the Premier store on Milton Road to receive a donation on behalf of Making a Difference Locally Ltd and we are hoping to use these much needed funds to improve our playground area further.

What a fantastic response we had to our Harvest Festival collection, we collected £428.57. Thank you to everyone who contributed, the money will be donated to Oxfam to help with their many good causes.

As you all know one of our pupils, Alisha Madeley, had her hair cut and raised approximately £360.00, this has been donated to the Little Princess Trust.

We are developing a child's Achievement Board in school for events that your child has taken part in out of school. If your child has received an award or raised funds for charity we would like, if at all possible, some information and a photograph of this and we will then display this on the board.

A reminder to all who drop off and pick up children from our premises, that we are a smoke free zone and we do not permit smoking of any sort at any time on our premises.

Nursery/Reception Admissions—September 2017

Can we remind all parents who have children that require a Nursery or Reception place in September 2017, that you are able to complete an application form online at www.stoke.gov.uk/admissions. The closing dates are Nursery - 31 January 2017 and Reception - 15 January 2017.



Sneyd Green PTFA Firework Display

Thank you to all who attended the Firework Display at our school. This was another very successful community event organised by our PTFA. We would like to thank everyone who attended and hope you enjoyed it (despite the cold) as much as we did.



**51ST
SMALLTHORNE SCOUT
GROUP IS RECRUITING**

BEAVER SCOUTS 6 - 8 YEARS OLD

CUB SCOUTS 8 -10 YEARS OLD

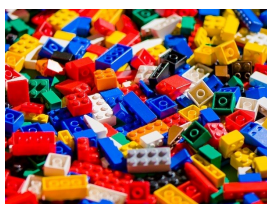
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School Clubs

We are looking to extend our range of clubs for younger children. Do you have any old Lego which you no longer need, to assist us in setting up a 'Construction Club?'



Any contributions will be gratefully received. Thank you.

Sneydie Stay and Play

Sneydie Stay and Play has started for the new term on Thursday mornings from 10.00am to 11.30am in the Sports Hall. It is a playgroup for children under 5 years where they can have lots of fun playing, learning and interacting with other children. There is a £1.00 per session charge and everyone is welcome.





ATTENDANCE

The whole school target for attendance this year is **96%**. Our whole school attendance is currently;



96.0%

It is extremely important that children attend school everyday. Any absence does affect the children's learning.

Did you know;

If your child has 96% attendance it equates to 10 days off during the year

If your child has 90% attendance it equates to 19 days off during the year.

If your child has 80% attendance it equates to 38 days off during the year.

If a child's attendance is at 90% throughout their primary school life this equates to **133 days** or **4 months** off school. Please support your child and encourage daily attendance.

ARRIVING LATE FOR SCHOOL

We still have a number of pupils who are arriving late for school. We continue to monitor the lateness of families and continue to be concerned about the number of late arrivals. Please help your children to achieve their best by ensuring that they are in school for the start of their lessons. It is vital that children arrive at school on time, every day ready to learn. Please be reminded that the school doors open at 8.45am. Thank you for your continued support.



HEADLICE



We have had reported cases of head lice in school. Please check your child regularly so that we can eliminate these unwelcome visitors. It is best to fine tooth comb your child's hair with conditioner so that the eggs can be removed as well. Doing this just once is not effective and needs to be repeated daily until you are sure they have gone. Thank you for your support.

DINNER MONEY

As you are aware, it is very important that children's dinner money accounts are kept in credit. However, there are currently a small amount of accounts which have a negative balance.



It does not matter how small the arrears may be, the school have to pay for any unpaid meals out of the school budget each month.

Regardless of how much your arrears are, we will continue to send messages, make phone calls and send letters until the arrears are paid as this is the procedure in school.

SPORTS

Our rowing team represented the school at the Kings Hall, both teams came 3rd and were presented with their medal by the Lord Mayor.



Well done to all the children who took part in the Burslem cross country race at Sneyd Green. Lauren Guderis was our first girl back, she came 2nd out of 76. Ashton Bennett was our first boy back coming 20th out of 95. Well done all !

Well done to the football team, who took part in the Burslem Football Tournament.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please make a note of the following dates for your diary:

- Monday, 14 November 2016 ~ Nursery Open Evening
- Thursday, 17 November 2016 ~ Deadline for photograph orders
- Thursday, 19 November 2016 ~ Parent Forum 9.00am
- Wednesday, 23 November 2016 ~ Parent Forum 6.00pm

