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Dear all,

I hope you had a lovely weekend to finish a brilliant week!



Today I want to pass on my utmost admiration and pride to our new pupil leadership team. I want to applaud all Year 6 pupils who took it upon themselves to apply for the leadership team—and be so mature in accepting that, true to life, we don't always get the posts we apply for.

I cannot over emphasise how proud myself and the whole staff team are in the pupils below who stood in front of a hall full of their peers and spoke so eloquently to them as to why they should be their representatives. In a very close contest, our pupils voted for who they felt would best represent them for the rest of this academic year and I am delighted to announce:

Head Students:
Oscar C & Freya I

Deputy Heads:
Prithwish D & Akshara N

Prefects:
Hebe T, Immy J, Shailvi K & Nivya N

Congratulations to them and I know they will fulfil their roles brilliantly.

Wishing you all a wonderful week,
Take Care & Best Wishes
Mr D

PRIDE WINNERS

Caterpillars
TBC

Ladybirds
TBC

German
Janelle O.A.

Hedgehogs
Devansh M

Rabbits
Bonnie R



Hummingbirds
Arthur C

Kingfishers
Theo V

Robins
TBC

Swifts
TBC

Foxes
Ocean-Mai N

Otters
Thomas N

Owls
Arnika O

Giraffes
Zanetta V

Meerkats
Shaun B

Dolphins
Lincoln R

Penguins
Suri C

Turtles
William R

Diary Dates

OCTOBER
02/10/2023

Black History Month
Year 6 Residential Meeting—KS2 Hall
3:30pm

02/10/2023

Year 6 Team Bracknell Meeting—Dolphins
Class 3:30 pm

03/10/2023

Flu Immunisation Year R-6

04/10/2023

Harvest Festival

10/10/2023

Prospective Reception Parents Open
Day—9:00 am

11/10/2023

SLSA Meeting Online

17/10/2023 -

Travelling Book Fair

18/10/2023

Nursery & Reception Coffee Morning

18/10/2023

9:00 am—10:30 am

19/10/2023

SLSA AGM Online 8:00pm

19/10/2023

Kingfishers Class Assembly 9:00 am

Year 6—NCMP Heights & Weights

23/10/2023—27/10/2023 Half Term

30/10/2023

Prospective Reception Parents Open
Day—9:00 am

31/10/2023

SLSA Creepy Cupcake Competition

01/11/2023

Brairwick Photography – Individual
Photos

07/11/2023

Prospective Reception Parents Open
Day—9:00 am & 6:00 pm

08/11/2023

Cineworld Visit—Years 5 & 6

09/11/2023

Hedgehogs Class Assembly 9:00 am

09/11/2023

Cineworld Visit—Years 3 & 4

10/11/2023

Remembrance Day

13/11/2023

Anti Bullying Week

17/11/2023

Children in Need

17/11/2023

SLSA Festive Discos—TBA

20/11/2023 -

Year 6 PGL—Mill on the Brue

24/11/2023

22/11/2023

Prospective Reception Parents Open
Day—9:00 am

23/11/2023

Cineworld Visit— Years 1 & 2

28/11/2023

Rocksteady Concert to Parents 9:15 am

30/11/2023

Penguins Class Assembly 9:00 am

04/12/2023

Prospective Reception Parents Open
Day—9:00 am

04/12/2023

Year 5—Winchester Science Centre

04/12/2023

Parents Meetings 3:30 pm—6:30 pm

05/12/2023

Parents Meetings 3:30 pm—6:30 pm

06/12/2023

Parents Meetings—Turtles Class Only
3:30 pm—6:30 pm

06/12/2023

Year 1&2 Nativity 9:30 am & 2:00 pm

07/12/2023

Reception Christmas Concert
9:30 am & 2:00 pm

08/12/2023

Nursery Christmas Concert
9:15 am & 2:30 pm

08/12/2023

Christmas Jumper Day

11/12/2023

Year 3&4 Christmas Concert
2:00 pm & 5:30 pm

12/12/2023

Year 5&6 Christmas Concert
2:00 pm & 5:30 pm

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Santa Dance

15/12/2023 School Closes for Christmas Break 2:00 pm





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European Day of Languages

Last week we celebrated "European Day of Languages" by learning how to say "hello" in the world languages of our school and looking at where our families come from on our class maps. It was wonderful to see and hear so many different languages being spoken. Year 6 also dedicated their "Funky Friday" to languages with a flags quiz, greetings around the world, learning some Latin, looking at cognates and many other exciting activities!

We also had a special visit from two groups of Year 11 German pupils from Garth Hill College, who came in to teach German to Year 5 for the morning. It was wonderful to see some former Sandy Lane pupils looking very grown-up and continuing their language learning. We all really enjoyed the experience. Thank you to Mrs Bhutta from Garth Hill College for helping to organise this special event.

Frau Marshall





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SLSA



The poster is for the Sandy Lane School Association (SLSA) Annual General Meeting (AGM). It features the school's logo at the top left. The text reads: 'SANDY LANE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION', 'AGM Annual General Meeting', 'Everyone is welcome', 'GET INVOLVED & STAY INFORMED'. Below this, it states: 'All parents/guardians are invited to the SLSA AGM, a place to learn more about the SLSA, about how it serves the school community, and to bring any questions or suggestions moving into the school year. The SLSA are actively looking for new members, both general and committee and need attendants to vote in the new SLSA roles.' It then says: 'This is your opportunity to get involved and be heard.' The meeting details are: 'This years meeting will be held online WEDNESDAY 19th OCTOBER 8pm'. At the bottom, there is an illustration of many hands of different colors raised together, with the text: 'Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much'.

SLSA Meeting!

The next meeting of the SLSA will be held on Wednesday 11th October 2023, online. In the days before we will share the link for this in a Parentmail, on the Facebook page and in the SLSA WhatsApp group. If you would like to attend, just click on the link and join in.

The Annual General Meeting — AGM - of the SLSA will be held on Wednesday 18th October at 8:00pm online. If you would like more information, please email slsa@sandylanebracknell.com and we will be happy to answer any questions.

Welcome Back Picnic

A **MASSIVE** thank you again to all who attended the welcome back picnic, and to those that volunteered some of their time to make it a great event. We are counting our pennies and will let you know how much we raised as soon as we can, but we already know we created some great memories and hopefully made some new friends.

thank
you!



31st October 2023, we will hold a Creepy Cupcake Competition! All those budding bakers get ready, more information will follow soon.....

Bracknell Libraries

For the most up to date information regarding activities available at local libraries, please follow the link:

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKBRACKNELL/bulletins/36f3f40>



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Achievements

If your child has and any achievements attained outside of school—we would really like to celebrate them with you! Please email information and photographs to:

secretary@sandylanebracknell.com

Maisie—Robins Class

Maisie from Robins class took part in the Tudor Rise Festival in Fleet at the end of September with her character solo—The Ugly Duckling in Section A 7&8 years. She gained 1st place with a score of 86 marks.



This past weekend she competed with her Modern Solo in Section A 7&8 years old and she finished in 1st place with 88 marks (a personal best) AND qualified for the All England Dance Regional Finals in May next year

She also danced in the Junior 10 & under Character Trio section and although they didn't place this time, they danced beautifully for their first time out with "The 3 Good Fairies" from Sleeping Beauty—well done Maisie!!

