



Sandhill News



A **MASSIVE THANK YOU** to the families that have started to send their 'From Tech 2 Talk' activities in to us; everybody looks like they have so much fun! If you have completed some our challenges and haven't yet sent them in to school, the dedicated email address for this is Sandhilltalk@ecmtrust.co.uk .

From Tech 2 Talk

What is From Tech 2 Talk?

Each half term, children will receive 6 activities for them to complete at home with their families. These activities can be completed in any order at any time during that period.

Any child that completes an activity over the half term will receive a participation certificate. One boy and one girl from each class will be selected as the **Tech 2 Talk Champion** for each half term, receiving a prize.

Parents simply need to talk a photograph to evidence they have completed that activity and then email it to our dedicated Tech 2 Talk email address.

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At the end of each half term, families will be invited to take part in an end of half term crafting competition, bringing their entries into school to be judged by the school council.

The activities chosen for this are:

<p>Autumn 1</p> <p>Pumpkin Carving Autumn 2</p>	<p>Spring 1</p> <p>Design and Create Own Chinese New Year Animal Mask Spring 2</p>	<p>Summer 1</p> <p>The Great Sandhill Bake Off Summer 2</p>
<p>Christmas Tree Decoration</p>	<p>Eggstravaganza</p>	<p>Make your own Musical Instrument</p>

Turn over for more information on your 6 challenges for this half term!



The Retreat

We now have an additional room open at dinner time where children can socialise with their friends in a quieter environment away from the hustle and bustle of the playground. This is open daily between 12:15pm - 1pm.

School Organisation and Routines

Class	PE Session 1	PE Session 2
Nursery – Carle Class	Monday (indoor)	Friday (indoor)
Reception – Waddell	Monday (indoor)	Friday (indoor)
Year 1 – Donaldson	Tuesday (outdoor)	Wednesday (indoor)
Year 2 – Tomlinson Class	Thursday (outdoor)	Wednesday (indoor)
Year 3 – Seuss Class	Thursday (outdoor)	Friday (indoor)
Year 4 - Dahl Class	Wednesday (outdoor)	Friday (indoor)
Year 5 – Rowling Class	Monday (outdoor)	Tuesday (indoor)
Year 6 – Morpurgo Class	Tuesday (outdoor)	Thursday (indoor)

All children in school will be involved in PE each week. All children will require an indoor (Black shorts & White t-shirt) and outdoor (hoody & joggers) PE kit as well as suitable trainers or pumps. Outdoor sessions will only take place if the weather is suitable for this first half term; after October, both sessions will be indoor.

Playgroup

Miss Stoppard will be running a playgroup session every Tuesday (starting at 9am) for any families that wish their children to socialise with other young children. Please speak to the office for further details.

Autumn Activities

Here are the outdoor learning activities, which can be completed at any point over the Autumnal season.

Please email sandhilltalk@ecmtrust.co.uk with any photos or videos from the challenges you complete.

Please label the email in the subject box:
Class - child's name - A/B/C/D/E/F (activity)

A - Bark Rubbing

Choose a bumpy tree with interesting bark. Place the paper against the trunk and rub the crayon over the paper to make a print of the bark pattern.

Encourage your child to experiment with different trees, and then look at the bark rubbings to see how they compare.

B- Acorn Sculptures

Go out into the local environment and collect acorns.

Be imaginative and create mini sculptures based on animals, people or characters.

Can you add twigs and other items to enhance your sculpture?

C- Leaf Art

Go out and collect leaves in the local environment. Arrange the leaves into different shapes and patterns.

Try to make your pictures as imaginative as possible. Can you make your favourite character?

D - Den Building

Find your nearest woodland areas and build a den or build it in your garden. Use sticks, leaves- anything you can find!

At home, you could use blankets, cushions, bedding,

E - Conker Decorating

Collect conkers and give them a glow-up! You can paint spiders, eyeballs, pumpkin faces or any other spooky things onto your conkers.

F - Scavenger Hunt

Go out into the local environment and take our checklist. How many of these things can you find?

Take a photo of you out in the environment collecting your different items.

Events Taking Place at Sandhill this half term

Event	Date	Time (AM/PM/ full day)
Roald Dahl Day	Friday 13 th September	All Day
Year 3 Class Trip	Tuesday 17 th September	All Day
EYFS Hearing Screening	Tuesday 17 th September	PM
Year 4 Class Trip	Wednesday 18 th September	All Day
'Jeans for Genes' Day	Friday 20 th September	All Day
European Day of Languages	Tuesday 24 th September	All Day
Year 5 Bikeability Week	Monday 30 th September	All Week
Black History Month	Throughout October	N/A
Nasal Flu Vaccinations	Thursday 3 rd October	PM
WMHD: Wear Something Yellow	Thursday 10 th October	All Day
Parents' Evening - Session 1	Monday 14 th October	3:30pm onwards
Parents Evening - Session 2	Wednesday 16 th October	3:30pm onwards
School Council Halloween Disco	Thursday 24 th October	After School
INSET DAY	Friday 25 th October	ALL DAY
INSET DAY	Monday 4 th November	ALL DAY
Children Return to School	Friday 5 th November	N/A



We are so proud of you all!

Stars of the Week

Friday 20th September:

Milly, Ayla, Zak, Violet, Lydia, Alfie

Friday 27th September:

Ronnie, Mason, Harrison, Georgia, Teddy, Relda, Sienna, Oliver