

This term has been a very busy and we are so proud of the sheer grit and determination that our children have shown since September. We would also like to thank all parents and carers for your continued support. This support means a lot and we will look forward continuing to grow and develop this in the New Year. Everyone at Sandhill would like to wish you a very happy and joyful Christmas with every good wish for the year ahead. We will reopen on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021**



**Christmas Performances:** All the Christmas performances are now on the school website - on the homepage. Thank you to our marvellous Mrs Wright for filming and producing these!

**Christmas Gift donation:** A huge thank you to the Moate family for their very kind donation of an X box 360 to school. We held a draw with all the names of children who have received a recognition award in each class. This was drawn by Georgia and Oliver in assembly and the lucky winner was Lucas in Barn Owls.

**Mrs Zdubek:** The sad loss of Mrs Zdubek has understandably left a huge gap in our school, that will be felt by everybody. The way that staff and children have supported one another has been incredible to see. Thank you to all your parents for your kind words of support and these have been greatly received by Mrs Zdubek's husband and family.



**Star of the Week Assembly**

**Stars of the Week - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Owlets	Jacob & Chester
Spotty	Oscar
Snowy	Teddy
Elf	Sofia
Tawny	Charlie & Alex
Sooty	John
Barn	Lola
Hawk	Caitlin
Eagle	Harrison & Callum
Star Award	Logan

**Stars of the Week - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

Spotty	Emily
Snowy	Summer
Elf	Mia Grace
Tawny	Joseph
Sooty	Maisie
Barn	Lucas
Hawk	Katelin
Eagle	Lainey
Star Award	Skylar

**Great School Attendance:** Great school attendance is so important. If children are not in school, they are not learning and are likely to fall behind. After the amount of time all children have missed from school, it has never been more important for every child to have the best attendance possible.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

**Safeguarding:** If you or your children have any safeguarding concerns, please remember that our Designated Safeguarding Leads in school are: Mr Hickey, Mr Haywood, & Miss Stoppard.

**COVID Update:** Since Tuesday 14th December 2021, any children aged 5 to 18 and any fully vaccinated adults, identified as a close contact of someone with Covid19, whether Omicron or not - should take a home lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating.

Adults not fully vaccinated (ie classed as 2 weeks after jab 2, currently) must still self-isolate for 10 days. If your child is identified as a close contact, they should take an LFD test each day for 7 days, ideally in the morning before school, and the result reported through the NHS online reporting system [https:// www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result](https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result)

School Holidays 2021/2022	
<b>Christmas Holidays</b>	Monday 20 Dec 2021—Monday 3 Jan 2022 School reopens Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
<b>February Half Term</b>	Monday 21 Feb —Friday 25 Feb 2022
<b>Inset Day</b>	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2022
<b>Easter Holidays</b>	Monday 11 April—Friday 22 April 2022
<b>May Day</b>	Monday 2 May 2022
<b>Inset Day</b>	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
<b>May Half Term</b>	Monday 30 May—Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022
<b>Summer Holidays</b>	School closes Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022

**Snowy Owls Parents Evening:** Snowy Owls parents evening will be rescheduled to Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January. A letter will be sent out in the new year for parents/carers to choose their preferred time.

## Pupil E Safety Challenge

**What would your child do if this happened to them?**

You are in an online game, where you can chat with others. You are talking to someone, when they ask if you want to chat outside of the game and whether you can swap WhatsApp numbers?

What should you do?

1. Say no thank you and tell your parents or another trusted adult that somebody has asked you to do this.
2. Do what they've asked. I've chatted to them online and they seem friendly?

