



Weekly Newsletter



News of the Week!

In the news this week

Nike has revealed a new type of powered shoe, called Project Amplify, which uses small motors to boost a person's walking and running movement. The shoes are designed to reduce tiredness and make everyday movement easier, especially for those who need extra support. Nike says the aim is to help people stay active, independent and mobile in their daily lives.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Explain and share your thoughts with someone at home about the new shoe design.
- > Do you believe everyone should be allowed to use the same technology, or should some things be only for people who really need them?
- > Can you think of other technologies designed to make life easier? Which do you use?

Sporting Success

As shared in last week's Newsletter, last week saw the culmination of the first competition pathway of the academic year as 6 teams represented their clusters at the Vale Royal u11 Girls Cup Final - this year's event involved over 250 girls playing and a further 24 officiating events. This, coupled with the Lionesses showing the way again in this summer's Euros, made it a great time to show our support for the Equal Access campaign in our area.

Leading on the pitch is one thing but the Lionesses have continued their campaigning role off it. Their support for the Equal Access campaign has had an impact on decisions about the new national PE & School Sport Partnership Network and have influenced the upcoming enrichment framework, which is expected to strongly advocate equality of opportunity when it is released (next term).

The Lionesses journey is a powerful display of determination, resilience and togetherness.

We are delighted to share with you that our participation of the 2025 Equal Access Survey has led to us being awarded the Equal Access Award. This is a truly superb achievement! We are incredibly proud of the work our school is doing to reduce inequality and this is another example of the strong values we demonstrate every day.

We look forward to receiving our trophy soon!



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Early Help Navigator

This week we had a visit from Jo Mander who introduced us to this new service. Please do have a look to see how they could potentially help and support your family. There is a more detailed attachment alongside this newsletter. If you would like to find out more, Jo will be in school between 9 and 10 am on Thursday 27th November. Do join her for a cup of tea and a chat!

This opportunity is running alongside our SPOTTS coffee morning. Kathryn Alexander will be at school between 9:15 and 10:15 to meet with parents and carers. SPOTTS stands for Sensory Processing Occupational Therapy Support and work with children who present with specific sensory needs. Again this is a great opportunity to speak to the professionals first hand. Please let Mrs Forsyth know if you will be attending.



Early Help Navigator Service

We know life isn't always easy. Sometimes you don't know where to go for help. You may need a bit of advice or support, or simply a friendly face to chat to about something that's bothering you.

Early Help Navigators are here to help



Scan this QR code for details of drop-in sessions in your area, or to request an appointment.

Visit: www.livewell.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/services/5751 or phone 0151 556 8378

We can:

- Provide help, support and advice with family life
- Be a listening ear
- Signpost you to local and national support
- Help you fill out forms
- Attend GP appointments with your family
- Provide food and baby bank referrals

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The Ark

Just a little reminder that the Ark Café is open every Friday. If you have time, it is an ideal meeting place at the heart of our local community, literally opposite school. The cakes are delicious! Just to be aware the final Friday before Christmas is 12th December.

The Ark Café
Norley Road, CW8 2JX
Open Fridays 9am-2pm
10am-2pm in school holidays



Mud mud mud!

As you may have seen we have been cordoning off areas of the playground that are particularly muddy at this time of year. We are asking children not to use the field or golden mile to reduce the amount of mud being brought into school. If you could support us in adhering to this before school, we would much appreciate it as you will in turn be making our lovely cleaner, Julie's life a lot easier!



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Christmas Fair Friday 12th December

Our Christmas Fair is one of the highlights of the year and we can't wait to welcome everyone for festive fun, stalls, music, crafts and more. The Christmas Raffle will be drawn during the fair, and Santa will also be visiting children during the school day in our magical Grotto.



Rainbow Tombola

Each class has been assigned a colour. Please send in a small item matching your class colour to help us build our fantastic festive Rainbow Tombola for our wonderful Christmas Fair on Friday 12th December.

- **Reception:** Pink 
- **Year 1:** Yellow 
- **Year 2:** Red 
- **Year 3:** Green 
- **Year 4:** Orange 
- **Year 5:** Purple 
- **Year 6:** Blue 

Volunteers Needed

The Christmas Fair is one of our biggest events of the year — and we simply can't run it without volunteers. If everyone could spare just one hour, we could run more stalls, raise more money, and the PTA committee might even get to spend an hour enjoying the fair with our own children too!

We do not need any more helpers for the Grotto, but we do need support for the fair itself: running stalls, helping on the door, setting up, and tidying away. Every single pair of hands makes a huge difference.

If you can offer an hour (or more!), please email sandiwaypta@gmail.com or let your class rep know. Thank you, your support truly means the world.





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Free Christmas entertainment for children at the Library

Looking for ways to entertain the kids for free in the run up to Christmas, and over the holidays? If so, call in to Sandiway Library! Every day, we will have puzzles and colouring sheets available, plus our regular weekly free drop-in events for families. You can also join the following free festive events:

Storytime and Craft – Thursday 11 December, 3.45 – 4.45pm
 Cantonese Storytime – Saturday 13 December, 11am – 12 noon
 Rhyme Time Christmas Party – Tuesday 16 December, 10.30 – 11.30am
 Storytime and Craft – Thursday 18 December, 3.45 – 4.45pm

There are lots of free events at other local libraries too. Find out more: [What's on in our Libraries](#)

Aside from our events, we have all sorts of books to keep young minds entertained – including story books and non-fiction books, graphic novels, search-and-find books and more. These books are available in paper, as e-books, or as audio books.

It is free to join the library as a member, and no ID is required. You can join by phone, online, or in the library. As a member, you can access free Wi-Fi and refreshments, and you can use the computers for up to an hour a day, free-of-charge. Find out more about [Sandiway Library](#) and our opening times online or call 01606 271767.

Hot Chocolate Friday....

Well done to all our children who all won Headteachers Award on Friday 14th November for showing Kindness.

Rec— Olivia
 Y1— Elfred
 2— Charlotte
 Y3— Sophie
 Y4— Will
 Y5— Ellie and Archie
 Y6— Lilly
 Club— Pippa
 Office—Amelia
 Mr A—Sophie and James

Music



Weekly attendance

w/c 10.11.2025

Year Rec	95.97%
Year 1	95.67%
Year 2	97.33%
Year 3	95.17%
Year 4	98.62%
Year 5	98.46%
Year 6	96.19%