



Sandye Place Academy  
Achievement Through Partnership

**25th January  
2019**

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# Sandye Place Academy Voice

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Welcome to the Spring term and 2019 at Sandye Place Academy. We hope both parents and pupils enjoyed a restful Christmas holiday and we wish you all a prosperous new year.

Whilst we know we have some incredibly sad times ahead this year it is very much business as usual as we prepare to work closely with our neighbouring schools to ensure pupils have a smooth transition from SPA to their chosen new school. We will write to you separately to communicate specific events for different year groups as they happen. If you do have any questions or concerns about your child's move to a new school in September 2019 please feel free to contact us and we will be happy to assist you.

The spring term has already been exceptionally busy for both the pupils and staff as we had an unexpected (as they always are) visit from Ofsted. The inspection was Ofsted's first monitoring visit since our inspection in 2017. We welcomed the visit, which maybe was a shock for the inspection team. But the staff and I wanted the opportunity to show the inspectors how far we have come as a team since our last inspection and the progress our pupils have made in a happy supportive learning environment. At present I am unable to share the report from the visit with you, it is still undergoing its final checks but we will ensure it is communicated with you once it becomes a public document. At this point, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the staff for their hard work and commitment since the last inspection and after our notice of closure. They have shown incredible dedication and commitment to our pupils in extremely difficult circumstances and have come together as a team to put the pupils' education first. Our pupils have also come together, the school council working hard alongside members of staff to help improve their learning environment with ATLs. Also, each and every pupil has been credit to the school this academic year, demonstrating our Academy values. If they have made a mistake with a little bit of guidance they have reflected on their behaviour or the situation and strived to learn from their mistake - a key to success in life.

We now look forward to the year ahead - there are still many trips and educational visits planned as well as our usual whole school events, one final production and we will endeavour to provide the very best education we can until the end of the academic year.

**Mr B Sale**

**A/Principal**

## Bletchley Park

On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of January the maths department took all of year 7 on a trip to Bletchley Park—home of the code-breakers.

It was a clear, crisp day to explore the site of the incredible World War II code-breaking history. The pupils enjoyed visiting the different exhibitions, where they found out all about how information was shared and used during wartime. They had a guided tour around the historic site, visiting the huts where the code-breakers worked during World War II.

During their special master class in cyphers and codes the pupils were able to try a real German enigma machine, that was used during the war to send cyphered messages between German allies. They also had a go at cracking a range of codes and cyphers including Morse code, pigpen and rail fence.

The children were very well behaved and were a credit to you and the school.

Thank you Year 7 for a wonderful trip!

Miss Hyde

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...see the next Academy Voice for pupils' reports on the trip to Bletchley Park.



We at Sandye Place Academy would like to say a huge congratulations to our former pupil Alex Lovell who has recently been selected to be a part of the England Dodgeball Team development squad.

This is a huge achievement and shows the hard work Alex has put in at Bedford Community Dodgeball Club since leaving the Academy, and he is now seen as one of the brightest prospects for future international players.

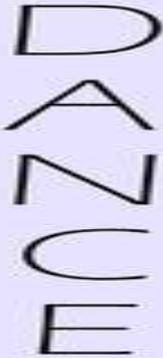
Massive congratulations Alex!

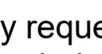
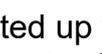
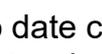
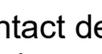
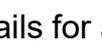
Mr Stonehouse



## Dance Club Announcement

There will be **no** early morning Dance on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January



							
<b>Medical/sick children information</b>							
	<p>We endeavour to ensure your child remains at school when unwell by contacting you as soon as possible to discuss the situation and ascertain whether medication can be given to help your child through the day or whether they need to be picked up.</p>						
	<p>We have recently requested up to date contact details for all parents in order to help us stay in touch under such circumstances, therefore, can you please ensure that in the event we contact you regarding your child's health that you work with us to be available to speak with or pick up your child within a reasonable timescale.</p>						
	<p>Mrs S Kane</p>						
	<p>Assistant Principal</p>						
							

## Science Club Astronomy Evening

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January, the members of the science club were lucky enough to have a visit from Michael Collins from the Sandy Astronomical Society. Luckily for us, the weather played its part, and we were blessed with crystal clear skies.

We started the evening in the lab while we waited for darkness to fall. The students were keen and full of insightful questions. We discussed all of the objects we were hoping to see, what equipment we would be using and the lunar eclipse that was to occur on the following Monday.

Once darkness fell, we ventured out into the cold night air and started to stargaze. Initially we were limited to the moon and the planet, Mars. However, as true darkness fell and as Orion rose in the east, we could see the Orion Nebula, some 1300 light years away. This is a dusty looking patch in which new stars are being formed. Many of the group were fascinated by the idea that we were looking back 1300 years in time, as that is how long ago the light left the Nebula before entering our eyes. We were also able to see a very faint Andromeda galaxy. Finally, we hoped to see comet 46p Wirtinen. However, due the brightness of the waxing moon, we were unable to make out this very faint object.



The skies above have always been an area of keen interest for me. If your child feels the same, then Sandy Astronomical Society are always looking for new members and you can find them on Facebook. You don't need expensive equipment to start stargazing, your own eyes are fine and a simple pair of binoculars will help too. If you

find that you are enjoying it, then you can look into getting more expensive equipment.

Our sincere thanks to the Sandy Astronomical society for coming along to the Academy with their equipment and for sharing their knowledge.

Happy stargazing.

Mr Carter



# 'Mary Poppins'

Rehearsal schedule



	Break	Lunch	After school 3.45pm – 5pm
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2019			<u>Scene 1- 4 Cherry Tree Lane, Parlor</u>  Winifred, George, Mary, Jane, Michael, Bert, Mrs Brill and Robertson Ay, Neleus, Katie nanna  DANCERS.
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2019		George Solo	
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2019		] Mary Poppins Solo and Bird Lady Ensemble	Prologue Jolly Holiday Mary, Jane, Michael, Ensemble, Mrs Brill, Robertson Ay, Katie Nanna, Winifred, George, Bert, Neleus, Bird Lady
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2019		Mary Poppins Solo	<u>Parents Evening</u>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb- ruary 2019		Bert Solo	

# 'Mary Poppins'

Rehearsal schedule



	Break	Lunch	After school 3.45pm – 5pm
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2019			<u>Scene 5 – Inside the Bank</u>  Mary, Michael, Jane, Miss Smythe, Chairman, George, Von Hussler, Clerks <b>DANCERS.</b>
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2019		George Solo	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2019		Mary Poppins Solo Bird Lady Ensemble	A Spoonful of Sugar  Mary, Jane, Michael, Ensemble, Mrs Brill, Robertson Ay, Winifred
Thursday 7 <sup>st</sup> February 2019		Mary Poppins Solo	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb- ruary 2019		Bert Solo	

Each week a Sumdog competition takes place for each year group. Pupils are to answer as many questions relating to maths topics as possible, and the most correct answers will receive 10 praise points and a chocolate bar, or equivalent.

CONGRATULATIONS to our Sumdog winners for

**Week ending 31/12/18 Christmas challenge**

Year 6 - Danae K

Year 7 - Zuzanna D

Year 8 - Katie A



**Uniform update**

We have arranged with Price & Buckland to donate all unused uniform to the British Red Cross, this includes blazers, ties, jumpers and cardigans.

We will be holding a minimal amount of jumpers at school should you wish to make a purchase, please contact us directly to make an order.

**Mrs S Kane**

**Assistant Principal**





# Diary Dates



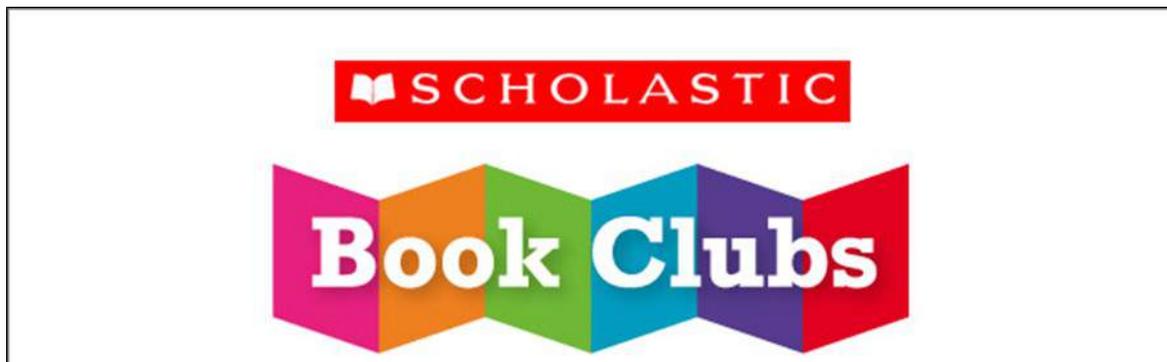
- Subject Parents' Evening - 31st January 2019
- Subject Parents' Evening - 5th February 2019
- Last day of term - 8th February 2019
- Return to school - 18th February 2019
- Year 8 Matilda trip - 6th March 2019
- Year 6 Harry Potter Studios trip - 6th March 2019
- Year 7 & 8 Shakespeare Globe trip - 21st March



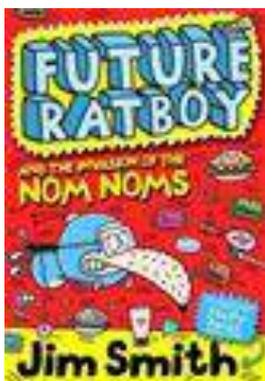
- Sandye Place Celebration day Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019
- Academy Awards night year 8 Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2019
- Year 6 Legoland trip 21st May 2019
- Year 7 & 8 Thorpe Park trip Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019
- Year 6 & 7 Celebration afternoon - date TBC

## Extra-Curricular clubs – Spring Term – 2018-19

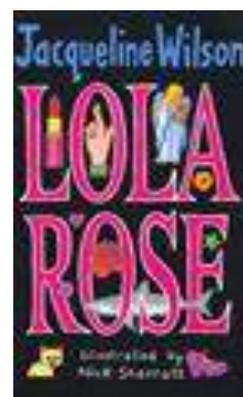
	<b>Before School 8.00 – 8.50am</b>	<b>Lunchtime 12.40 – 1.30pm</b>	<b>After School 3.45 – 4.45pm</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>		AR quizzes – ICT 3 – JCr  Lego Club Room 11 JG	Football Club–All Years (Start date TBC due to light) TS  Production Rehearsals  Homework Club ICT 1 LC/JC/JW
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Dance Club (Fun) All Years 8.10 – 8.40 ZH	AR quizzes – ICT 3 – RB  Reading Club <b>Invite Only</b> Room 7 BH  Netball All Years ZH	Homework Club ICT 1 LC/JC/JW
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Contemporary Technique Dance All Years 8.05 – 8.45 ZH	AR quizzes – ICT 3 – JR  Art Club 12.40 – 1.10 LH	Production Rehearsals  Homework Club ICT 1 LC/JC/JW
<b>THURSDAY</b>	SPA Dance Com- pany (Audition Only) 8.05 – 8.45 ZH	AR quizzes – ICT 3 – TG  Netball Club All Years ZH	Homework Club ICT 1 LC/JC/JW  Science Club <b>Invite Only</b> GC
<b>FRIDAY</b>		AR quizzes – ICT 3 - JR	Homework Club ICT 1 LC/JC/JW  Cheerleading Club All Years ZH



Scholastic Book Club is back – you can **order online only** in January at:  
<http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/sandye-place>



There are lots of bargains to be had, including Jacqueline Wilson's Lola Rose, Future Ratboy and the Invasion of the Nom-Noms (the spin-off series from the author of Barry Loser), and Anne Frank's Story for £2.99 each.



There are lots of bestsellers on offer as well, like Wonder by RJ Palacio for £3.99, the Hunger Games trilogy for £9.99, and the Harry Potter series for £29.99.

Don't forget, we get back 25 % of the value of every order to spend on books for our library, so thank you for your support!



Please ensure all orders are completed by 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019.

# Harry Potter

## Homework Timetable 2018 - 2019

	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
<i>Mon</i>	<b>English</b>	<b>Science</b>	
<i>Tues</i>	<b>Science</b>	<b>English</b>	
<i>Weds</i>			<b>English</b>
<i>Thurs</i>	<b>Maths</b>	<b>Maths</b>	<b>Science</b>
<i>Fri</i>			<b>Maths</b>

Core Subjects will set and collect in weekly homework on the allocated days shown above

Foundation subjects (any subject other than Maths/English & Science) will set a minimum of 1 piece of homework per half term.

These subjects may set homework on any day but will have a two week deadline in order to help pupils manage their homework load. Pupils should make use of the two days they are not allocated core subject homework to complete foundation subject homework

*\*Pupils are to read independently for 20 minutes every evening in addition to homework set*

Spring 2019		WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
w/c		31st Dec, 21st Jan, 18th Feb, 17th Mar, 1st Apr	7th Jan, 28th Jan, 25th Feb, 18th Mar	14th Jan, 4th Feb, 4th Mar, 25th Mar
 <p>PIZZAS</p>  <p>OLD FAVOURITES</p>  <p>AROUND THE WORLD</p>  <p>ROAST THURSDAY</p> <p>TAKEAWAY FRIDAY</p> 	MONDAY	MARGHERITA OR PEPPERONI PIZZA BBQ PULLED PORK FRENCH FRIES OR RICE BAKED BEANS OR PEAS AND SWEETCORN ICED SPONGE WITH CUSTARD	 MARGHERITA OR BBQ CHICKEN PIZZA VEGETABLE FINGERS FRENCH FRIES OR MINI ROAST POTATOES BAKED BEANS OR BROCCOLI CHOCOLATE SPONGE AND CHOCOLATE SAUCE	 MARGHERITA OR HAM AND PINEAPPLE PIZZA COD AND SALMON PIE WITH A HERB CRUST FRENCH FRIES OR SAUTE POTATO BAKED BEANS OR SWEETCORN JAM AND COCONUT SPONGE WITH CUSTARD
	TUESDAY	BOLOGNAISE OVEN BAKED FISH FINGERS SPAGHETTI OR SPICY WEDGES BAKED BEANS OR GREEN BEANS APPLE CRUMBLE OR CHOCOLATE MOUSSE	 SAUSAGE ROLL PASTA BAKE SAUTE POTATOES OR VEGETABLE RICE BAKED BEANS OR SWEETCORN RICE PUDDING WITH JAM OR RING DOUGHNUT	 TOAD IN THE HOLE VEGETABLE RAVIOLI CREAMY MASH POTATOES OR GARLIC BREAD BAKED BEANS OR DICED CARROTS CHOCOLATE FUDGE CAKE WITH CHOC SAUCE
	WEDNESDAY	CHICKEN BALTI QUICHE RICE AND NAAN BREAD OR SAUTE POTATOES BAKED BEANS OR ROASTED VEGETABLES WHITE CHOCOLATE AND RASPBERRY MUFFIN	 PORK MEATBALLS CHEESE PINWHEEL SPAGHETTI OR SAVOURY RICE BAKED BEANS OR GREEN BEANS BANOFFEE SPONGE WITH CREAM	 SWEET AND SOUR CHICKEN MACARONI CHEESE NOODLES OR RICE BAKED BEANS OR STIR FRY VEGETABLES CHOCOLATE TART WITH CREAM
	THURSDAY	ROAST BEEF OR CHICKEN PIE WITH GRAVY CHEESE AND ONION SLICE ROAST OR MASH POTATOES DICED CARROTS OR PEAS ICED SPONGE WITH CREAM	 ROAST PORK WITH STUFFING AND GRAVY VEGETARIAN COTTAGE PIE ROAST OR MASH POTATOES DICED CARROTS OR CABBAGE CARROT CAKE	 ROAST TURKEY WITH STUFFING AND GRAVY VEGETABLE NUGGETS ROAST OR MASH POTATOES DICED CARROTS OR CAULIFLOWER CHOCOLATE MOUSSE CAKE
	FRIDAY	OVEN BAKED JUMBO PORK SAUSAGE VEGETABLE LASAGNE FRENCH FRIES OR POTATO ROSTI BAKED BEANS OR SWEETCORN CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE	 BREADED CHICKEN NUGGETS VEGETARIAN CHILLI FRENCH FRIES OR RICE BAKED BEANS OR MIXED VEGETABLES CHOCOLATE CRACKNEL	 HOT DOG IN A ROLL PASTA BAKE FRENCH FRIES OR SPICY WEDGES BAKED BEANS OR SWEETCORN SHORTBREAD

FILLED ROLLS, SALAD, JACKET POTATOES, FRESH FRUIT AND YOGURTS ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY

# Sandye Place Academy Academic Calendar 2018/2019



School holiday
  Bank holiday
  Pupil day
  Training Day

Sep-18							Oct-18							Nov-18							Dec-18																					
Mon							1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	Mon							1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	
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Sat							6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	Sat							6	13	20	27	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun							7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	Sun							7	14	21	28	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	

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May-19							Jun-19							Jul-19							Aug-19																		
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**Term 1 - 73 days**    **Term 2 - 63 days**    **Term 3 - 59 days**  
 Pupil contact amounts to 190 of 195 days. The Academy will be closed on five of the 195 days. These five days enable teacher training to take place in accordance with Teachers' Conditions of Service.  
 Training days set as follows:  
 Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th September 2018; Wednesday 2 January 2019, Tuesday 23rd April and Monday 22nd July.

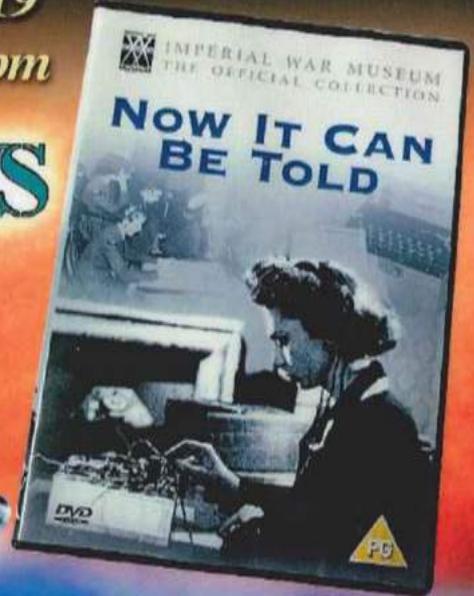
FAMILY  
**MOVIE**  
& PHOTOS NIGHT

Join us for an **FREE** evening of movies  
at Theatre Hall, Sandy Sports Centre

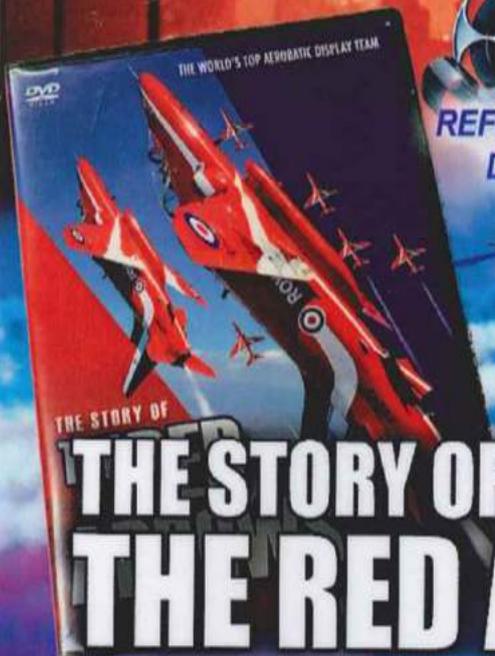
on Wednesday **30<sup>TH</sup>** January 2019  
from 7pm to 10pm

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DURING THE EVENING



# THE STORY OF THE RED ARROWS



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SANDY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON 2018



# Tennis Coaching at Biggleswade Tennis Club!

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Coaches for Adults & Juniors**

**Wednesdays**

**Ages 5 - 9: 4pm - 5pm & 5pm - 6pm**

**Ages 10 -16: 6pm -7pm & 7pm -8pm**

**Adults: 8pm - 9pm**

**Course dates:**

**Wed 16th January – Wed 3rd April 2019**

**(no sessions during half term week. Participants can join at any time)**

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