

# SANDRINGHAM NEWS

Nurture Enrich Inspire

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## Message from Mrs Money

It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of the third week of term. All of our children from Little Badgers Nursery through to Year 2 are continuing to settle really well and are amazing us all with their independence and enthusiasm. Well done to our Moles and Hedgehogs who have finished their first week of full time Reception. This is a big step and exhausting for them so please ensure that they have plenty of rest at the weekend ready for next week! If your child is still finding separation difficult, please don't despair! This is a phase which will pass even though I completely understand how awful you feel leaving your little ones if they are upset. Be reassured that the staff here have an abundance of experience in encouraging, distracting and comforting both children and parents during the early days of school separation.

Please continue to check our diary dates for events in school. Next Friday we are having a 'Lets get physical' day. Children will bring their PE kits home on Thursday so that they can come in to school in their kits on Friday ready for a day of fun and fitness.

I have been also been asked about the arrangements for Grandparents day. This is a lovely opportunity for Grandparents to enjoy hearing the children sing, visit the classroom, have a cup of tea and purchase a cake from our FRIENDS cake sale. Due to the size of our hall and seating please can we remind you that this isn't an event for parents (we have lovely assemblies planned for you later on in the year!). We had a huge number of Grandparents who attended last year so we have decided to hold a morning and afternoon session to ensure that everyone is comfortable.

I have already received requests for absence for holidays during term time. Could I remind you that there are 175 non school days a year to spend on holidays, shopping and days out. There are 190 days where your children are expected to be in school. Please can I ask that you book family holidays out of term time. The office may also ask for appointment cards for medical absences requested on Fridays and Mondays during term time.

This academic year I am looking to update the school library. I am hoping to change the strip lights to spotlights and redecorate the walls so if you are an electrician or decorator and are able to help with this project, I would love to hear from you.

Many of you may be struggling to get your children to remember what they have done at school and receive the response of 'nothing' when asked. The children are still very young and are very tired after a busy day in school. Attached to this newsletter are a list of questions you might like to ask them which may help!

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

### PLEASE REMEMBER

#### THE SCHOOL DAY

School starts at 8.50am and the gates are open at 8.40am. The end of the school day is 3.10pm. Please be prompt in bringing and collecting your children to and from school.

#### FREE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

If you are on income support please let the office know as this generates additional funding for your child in school and entitles them to enjoy an after school club for free every week.

#### EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Please ensure that you update the office with any changes of phone numbers. It is essential that we can contact you if there is an emergency with your child in school.

#### LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property box is already getting full. Please label all items of clothing and check in the box if you are missing anything!

#### INSET DAYS 2018-19

4<sup>th</sup> September 2018  
23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018  
26<sup>th</sup> November 2018  
4<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
24<sup>th</sup> May 2019



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## How was your day?

- What made you smile today?
- What book did your teacher read today?
- What's the word of the week?
- Did anyone do anything to make you laugh?
- What is the most popular game at playtime today?
- What was the best thing that happened today?
- Did you help anyone today?
- Did you say "please" or "thank you?" today?
- Who did you sit with at lunch?
- Did you learn something new today?
- Who did you play with today?
- Tell me something you know today that you didn't know yesterday.
- Did you like your lunch?
- What questions did you ask at school today?
- Tell us your top two things from the day
- What are you looking forward to tomorrow?
- If you could change one thing about your day, what would it be?
- What made your teacher smile?
- What kind of person were you today?
- What made you feel happy?
- What made you feel proud?
- What is your goal for the end of the year at school?
- If you switched places with your teacher tomorrow, what would you teach the class?

## Welcome to our new Moles and Hedgehogs.

