

**9th October 2015****Special Points of Interest:**

- Harvest Festival
- Photographs
- Smoking / Dogs
- Lunch Boxes

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 13th October
School Photographs

Friday 16th October
Y6 - Harvest Festival
2.45pm

Monday 26th October
to
Tuesday 3rd November
HALF TERM

Harvest Festival

This year we are collecting on behalf of Forum Housing. On Wednesday, they called into school to talk to the children about the work they do and how your donations (of non perishable goods) can make a big difference to the young adults they support. If you have items you could donate, could they please be sent into school by Friday 16th October. Year 6 parents are invited to the assembly on Friday at 2.45pm where our Harvest festival will be led by their children.

School Photographs

Individual school photographs are scheduled for Tuesday 13th October. As usual, if you have a pre-school child you would like photographing with their siblings, please let the office know so we can schedule these in first.

Smoking in Cars / School Grounds

This is a health warning to safeguard your children. As of 1st October 2015 it is illegal for parents/carers to smoke in a car containing children.

There is also a no smoking / no dogs policy including e-cigs in and around the school grounds.

Packed Lunch Boxes

Packed Lunch Advice - fewer than 1% of packed lunches in schools meet the School Food Standards. We would love Sandbrook packed lunches to be as healthy as our school dinners so as from next week we will be providing advice on the contents of packed lunches. The School Food Standards state that schools can serve no more than two portions a week of food that has been deep-fried, batter-coated or breadcrumb-coated, no more than two portions of food which include pastry each week (applies across the whole school day), no snacks, except nuts, seeds, vegetables and fruit with no added salt, sugar or fat (applies across the whole school day). Savoury crackers or breadsticks can be served at lunch with fruit or vegetables or dairy food. Schools can serve no confectionery, chocolate and chocolate-coated products, (applies across the whole school day). Desserts, cakes and biscuits are allowed at lunchtime. They must not contain any confectionery. In the first instance we will be reviewing packed lunches and providing information to parents before we develop a packed lunch policy that is fair for all pupils in school.

McMillan Cake Sale

Thank you to all who helped provide and purchase cakes

Families and Schools Together (FAST) has arrived!**Still space and time to sign up**