



Sandal Primary School & Nursery

Nurture, Grow, Succeed

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Friday 18th September 2026

Notable Dates

22 September	Year 3 Cliffe Castle Visit
22 September	Parent Partnership Group (PPG) AGM, School Hall
23 September	Individual School Photos
25 September	Saplings Baby & Toddler Group

Outdoor Learning

Tuesday Y6 Magnolia, Y5 Lotus

Wednesday Daisy/Daffodil, Buttercup

Thursday Nurture, Nurture

Friday Y5 Primrose, Y6 Orchid

Individual and Sibling School Photos

On Wednesday 23rd September children will have their individual photo taken, and siblings will have a photo taken together during the school day. If you have children that do not attend this school they can have their photo taken between 8:30am-8:50am, please enter school through the main office. We cannot accommodate any children that have the opportunity to have sibling photos taken during the school day.

If your child has PE/Outdoor learning please ensure they also have a polo top and jumper.

Free School Meals

Following recent national updates to Free School Meals, access has expanded. If your household receives Universal Credit, your child may now be entitled to free school lunches every day—saving your family around £450+ per child per year while ensuring they receive a hot, nutritious lunch.

Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1, or Year 2 (where meals are already free), registering officially unlocks extra benefits like holiday club access, uniform support, and additional funding directly for our school.

How to apply:

Checking eligibility takes less than two minutes and is completely confidential.

 Apply online: <https://www.bradford.gov.uk/benefits/applying-for-benefits/free-school-meals/> (Please note that currently the form on this page is not working reliably - this is out of our control)

 Need help? Pop into the school office or email families@sandalprimaryschool.co.uk and our team can check for you confidentially.

PPG AGM

All parents and carers are welcome to come to the PPG AGM on 22nd September from 6.30pm in the School Hall. Find out what they achieved last year, and what's planned for the year ahead. You can even get involved in running or volunteering for events!

Welcome to Saplings!

Saplings is our baby & toddler group, led by Mrs Morris. It takes place in the Woodland Burrow from 9-11 on Friday mornings. Let us know how things are going, ask any questions and meet other parents. More information can be found on the attached flyer.

A Message from the UK Children's Commissioner

First of all, I want to say thank you so much for the responses your school have submitted so far to my Big Future survey.

I know you have heard from me a few times about The Big Future, and I appreciate that schools are being asked to support lots of different priorities at the start of a new academic year. However, I am getting in touch because it would be incredibly valuable to hear from as many of your pupils as possible.

The survey can be completed here: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>.

I have already heard from hundreds of thousands of children and young people across England, and the majority of schools have now taken part.

It is crucial that children at your school have the chance to add their voices too, so that their experiences, views and aspirations are represented when I present the findings of the survey to Government.

French and Spanish After-School Clubs

Following a few enquiries from parents, we are exploring the levels of interest for offering French & / or Spanish clubs AFTER school. We plan to start the clubs after half term and start with a six-week course in November / December. This would then continue to run in January. If this is something that would interest you, please send an email to Sophie: svpringle66@gmail.com with the Subject: **Sandal** with the following information: Your child's name and year group, Which language would interest you - French? Spanish ?

I will then contact you with more details. Sophie Pringle van Berckel, Le Club Français

Xmas4Schools

It may be very early to start thinking about it, but next week children will be given a sheet from Xmas4Schools to design a Christmas image (It does not have to be Christmassy!). When they bring it home, please complete the information on the back and return it by October 16th. You will then receive a text and/or email allowing you to see, and possibly purchase, personalised items including Christmas cards, Calendars, Tea Towels, Mugs, Tote Bags and more. The school receives £1 for each item you order. Please note that there is absolutely no expectation for you to buy items. Thanks.