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Dear Parents/Carers,

### End of Term 2 Information Letter

As we come to the end of Term 2, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and partnership with Sandwick Junior High School. I have been delighted to take up the post of Headteacher during Term 2 and have thoroughly enjoyed working alongside our children, staff and families. Over the past weeks, it has been a real pleasure to see first-hand the many wonderful things our school community can achieve together, particularly through the range of recent Christmas events and festive celebrations which have showcased the creativity, kindness and spirit of Sandwick Junior High School. This letter shares key information as we look ahead to Term 3.

#### Term Dates

Term Dates: **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026.**  
Occasional Holidays: **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026 & Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026.**  
Inservice: **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

Further information about term dates is found via the link: [Term Dates – Shetland Islands Council](#)

#### Key Dates

We are delighted to share key dates for term 3 which include opportunities for formal reporting to parents and opportunities for families to join their child in school and ELC.

Event	Date and Time	Further Information
<b>S2 Parents/Carer Evening</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> January 2026 4.30-6.30	Information re booking to follow in due course.
<b>S3 Parents/Carer Evening</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> January 2026 4.30-6.30	Information re booking to follow in due course.
<b>S1 Parents/Carer Evening</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 4.30-6.30	Information re booking to follow in due course.
<b>P4/5 Class Assembly</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 9.15-9.45	For parents/carers of pupils in Primary 4/5
<b>S4 Reports</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Reports will go home in bags.
<b>ELC Stay &amp; Play</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 1.15-2.00	For parents/carers of ELC children.
<b>P2/3 Class Assembly</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 9.15-9.45	For parents/carers of pupils in Primary 2/3
<b>Primary Reports</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Reports will go home in bags with your child.
<b>S2 Reports</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Reports will go home in bags.

RESPECT

EQUALITY

ACHIEVEMENT

CREATIVITY

HAPPINESS

## **Staffing Update**

- Mrs Gemma Sjoberg, Acting DHT Primary & ELC will remain in post until 1 March 2026.
- Mrs Nena Gear, Acting PT Pupil Support. Nena will continue her PT role on Mondays until 1 March 2026.
- Miss Maisie Robertson, Support Worker ELC. We are delighted to share that Maisie is our preferred candidate for Support Worker ELC 35 hours (pw).
- Recruitment of Home Economics Teacher is ongoing; we are hopeful of a start date in the middle of the term.
- Recruitment of Technical Teacher is ongoing and information regarding this will be communicated in due course.
- Mrs Hayley Mackenzie is the preferred candidate for Clerical Assistant, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- Mrs Kristen Kinnear, ASN Teacher, is taking a career break. We thank her for her commitment to Sandwich and wish her all the best.
- Ms Marie May is moving on, and we wish her the best of luck in her future post. Interim arrangements will be communicated at the start of Term 3. Recruitment for a Maths Teacher is ongoing and information regarding this will be communicated in due course.
- Mrs Beverley Redfern, Clerical Assistant, will be leaving on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2026. We wish Bev all the best in her new role and are grateful for her dedication and commitment to Sandwich Junior High School over the last seven years.

## **Glow Blogs**

We would like to remind you that our school blog is available here: [Sandwick Junior High School | Stronger Together, Reaching High](#)

Finally, we wish all children and young people, and their families, a wonderful, safe and happy festive period and look forward to seeing you in 2026.

Kindest Regards,

On behalf of the Senior Management Team,

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Headteacher

Jonathan Kerr  
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Acting Depute Headteacher  
Primary & ELC