

Stars in our Schools

Stars in Our Schools is when UNISON recognises the hard work, dedication and valued contribution all support staff make to our schools in Sandwell. This year Sandwell UNISON selected an overall individual winner and a team winner. **Pam Mall from Burnt Tree Primary School** won the individual award. The Team award went to the Catering Team at **Moat Farm Infants**, who have transformed the quality of food and the lunchtime experience after the service was brought back in-house from a private contractor. The Award winners include **Stephanie Heaven, Gurvinder Kaur, Lyndsey Poolton Karen Holpin and Oxana Morgaon.**

Pictured is Pam Mall from Burnt Tree Primary School being given her award by the Mayor, Richard Jones on 25 November. For further details see [Stars in Our Schools Winners – Sandwell General UNISON Branch](#) (sandwellunison.co.uk)



Public Service Champions!

Congratulations to Sandwell Enquiry for being the first ever winner of UNISON's local service champions award. Sandwell Enquiry is the front-line service for Adult Social Care, taking all the calls from residents and referring them to the appropriate professional support. They also provide Blue Badges too.

When the Covid-19 pandemic hit the Enquiry Team not only continued to undertake their normal duties but also received referrals for food parcels, winter grant applications and NHS track and trace, adding pressure on the Team. However, the Enquiry Team rose to the challenge. Below is a picture of the Mayor, Richard Jones, presenting the Champions award to the Enquiry Team.



Your Union's AGM 2023 Tues 7th March

All Branch members are invited to the Annual General Meeting of Sandwell General UNISON Branch. You will receive a formal invite by post.

At this meeting you will receive reports from Branch Officers, hear the election results for Branch Officers in the year ahead and discuss/debate any motions submitted.

This year you will have two opportunities to attend. Either at lunchtime between 1pm and 2pm, where a buffet will be available for members from 12:45pm. Or at 7:30pm where members attending will receive a free drinks voucher for the Court House that evening.

At the AGM there will be an update on what is happening to the pay claims for 2023. If you want to find out the latest, then come to your union's annual general meeting.

**Council Chambers
Sandwell Council House
Oldbury
1pm for the lunchtime
(buffet from 12:45pm)
Or
7:30pm for the evening
(Speaker and drinks
voucher)**

Please register your interest to attend to receive the agenda.

**Attend to find out the
latest on your pay.**