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St Andrew's News



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Message from Head Teachers

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back after half term, we hope you had a wonderful break and have enjoyed the mini Summer we have been experiencing over the last few days.

Next week we are looking forward to World Book Day and seeing all our pupils dress up as their favourite character. We will then be welcoming back Reception, Year 1 and 2 children for a bedtime story in their pyjamas!

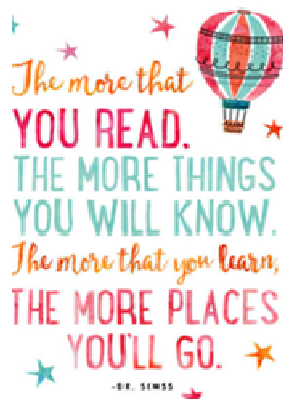
At St Andrew's we aim to foster a love of reading and books. We know that when children read it opens up a number of doors for them. There is increasing evidence to suggest that children reading for enjoyment is a key factor in their educational success.

Bookings for parents evening is now open, please do book a slot and we look forward to sharing your children's successes with you.

Have a lovely weekend

Bethan Thomas
&

Jo Mitchell



Rotary Top of the Form

A team of Year 6 pupils are participating in the Rotary Top of the Form general knowledge quiz. This week the children won their first round beating the Rowan School. We look forward to hearing how they get on in the next round.

Spelling at St. Andrew's

From Monday we are starting an exciting new way of teaching your children to spell. From Year 2 onwards we will be using a web site called Spelling Shed to teach spelling in class. The children will receive weekly homework that will be tested in school. (Younger children will also have access but use a different approach in daily lessons)

To help them learn their spellings for the test (and keep them learnt for their writing), they can also login to Spelling Shed from home or in school using their own login. Their teachers will set tasks and spelling lists for them to play, earning points to upgrade their Avatars. Feedback from pupils during the trial period has been very positive so far!

I hope you will enjoy supporting your child with their paper or computer tasks. (Alyson Mitchell, English Leader)

Internet Safety

In light of recent media coverage of a hoax regarding online dangers, the school would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers about the importance of monitoring children's online activity. Many apps and websites have a suggested or legal minimum age and these should be observed at all times. In school, our children are taught what to do if they come across something distressing online; they must tell an adult. Please encourage this at home. For further information, please visit the UK Safer Internet Centre at <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>.

Certificate Winners

At the end of last term children received bronze, silver, gold and platinum certificates according to the number of House Points they had earned during the half term. There was a lucky draw to see which of the gold and platinum winners would receive the book tokens and the trip to the book shop with the head teacher to choose a book. Bea (Yr 3) and Ryza (Yr 2) won the book tokens and Harry and Ben (Yr 5) went to the bookshop with Mrs Mitchell



SASA

If you went down to the hall on the last Friday of half term, you were in for a big surprise.

If you went down to the hall you wouldn't believe your eyes.

Over 50 children from Reception, along with their Mums, Dads or carers, joined in the Teddy Bears picnic to celebrate the end of half term.

The children were offered a teddy themed picnic snack and listened to a bear themed story before playing teddy games and making teddy crafts.

The brainchild of reception reps Anna Revilla, Jo McLoughlin and Melissa Twigg, the picnic was a fun way for the children to be together whilst the parents learnt about SASA and got to know each other a little better. Many thanks to the reps and Yvonne Bond for hosting this lovely event and the teachers who popped in to say hi. (Sharron Eklo)

Football

This week St Andrew's girls football team travelled to The Royal Holloway University to compete in a 7 a side tournament. The girls played against 5 other schools in 10 minute matches and performed with determination and integrity improving with every game they played. Thank you to those that provided lifts and came to support. (Mr Gunton)

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**
7 MARCH 2019

Just a reminder that it is World Book Day on the Thursday 7th March and children are invited to come to school dressed as a character from one of their favourite books. Children can also bring in a much-loved picture book to share with their class.

As well as dressing up, there will be activities in class related to World Book Day and celebrating the joy of reading. Pupils will receive the usual £1.00 book token which can spent at any bookshop on any book. There are also special World Book Day books which cost just £1.00 written by some of the UK's best authors

Celebrate World Book day at Painshill Park

On Sunday 10th March you can get dressed up as your favourite book character and there will be trail to find book characters around the Park. There will be a best dressed character prize as well as lots of fun activities around the landscape (11-3pm). Children under 16 free on 10th March. The school has been given some **free tickets** admitting 2 adults for Sunday 10th March. If you would like a ticket please let the office know.

Girl's Football

Oxshott Royals is offering a 5 week free taster girls only football after school club starting on Tuesday 5th March. This is for Year 3 & 4 only. Please register directly with the club.(email Nicole at admin@ultimate-coaching.co.uk)

Key Dates: • World Book Day and Bedtime Stories for Rec, Year 1 & 2 5.30-6.30pm.-Thursday 7th March • Parent Consultations Tuesday 19th (3.15-5.30pm) and Wednesday 20th March (3.15-6.45pm) • Year 2 to Brooklands Museum—Tuesday 26th March. • Last day of clubs –Friday 29th March

Positive Playtime winners

Dahl & Attenborough

Transition Trophy

Donaldson & Attenborough

Winning House

Best Class Attendance

Attenborough 99.6%

This week's value

Resilience

Next week's value

Respect

Celebration Certificates**Value—Resilience**

Donaldson: Georjie

Nightingale: Bonnie

Dahl: Reece

Hawking: Ethane

Attenborough: Ben

Johnson: Zico

Parks Alice.

Djawadi: Laylla

Franklin: Preston

Einstein: Toby

Earhart: James

Luther King: Olivia

Potter: Laura

Lowry:Evan

Shackleton: Caiden

Mandela: Lilia

Achievement, Progress or effort in Maths/English

Donaldson: Claudia

Nightingale: Sophie

Dahl: Elias

Hawking: Tianna

Attenborough: Lexie

Johnson: Lula

Parks:Tommy

Djawadi:Joshua

Mandela:Emma, Emily , Ida

Einstein: Yuri

Earhart: Annabel

Luther King: Leo

Potter: Tieni

Lowry:Lahna

Shackleton: Callum

Franklin: Safaa