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St Andrew's News



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Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a fantastic week at St Andrew's!

Our football team had a match earlier in the week and won 6 - 0! One of the coaches from the other school asked if we were coached by Chelsea, but we let them know that our very own Coach Rachel is the superstar. The team worked together to create a brilliant game and take victory for the school. Well done to all of them.

Year 4 enjoyed a whole day workshop, led by a Viking! The props, costume, pictures and interactive activities were brilliant and thoroughly enjoyed by pupils and staff alike.

Last weekend, the school led the Lantern Parade, and it was a stonking success. Thank you to all our community who came to the church. Every large lantern went out, and the parade looked magical (even if it was raining). A very big thank you goes to Mrs Mitchell and her daughter Katy, for putting all the hours and afternoons to repair large lanterns, help teachers make little lanterns with the children and then organise the 150 or so people who arrived at the church to join in last Saturday.

It was also our Christmas Fair last Sunday and it went brilliantly! Thank you to everyone who came to support and enjoy themselves. Our Head Boy and Head Girl greeted the Deputy Mayor and gave them a tour of all the stalls and games. Our choir were busy too, with a performance on both Saturday and Sunday. They were an absolute delight to watch on both occasions. They really set the festive scene for all of us.

A huge thank you to Mel West and all the team at FoSA. You did a brilliant job, and our community are so lucky to have you. You brought Christmas to the pupils of St Andrew's!

I hope you have wonderful weekend with family and loved ones.

Stina Witkowski

A Magical Christmas Fair – Thank You!

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make this year's Christmas Fair a truly magical and unforgettable event. We hope you all enjoyed the festive fun as much as we did!

A huge thank-you to our wonderful parents, teachers, and families for your support in setting up and bringing the fair to life. A special mention goes to Mick West for crafting our beautiful Grotto Chair, which now has a cherished home at the school. Thank you also to our fantastic Santa and his cheerful elves, and to everyone who hosted stalls and helped the fair sparkle.

We are also grateful to Molly Mynn for creating a lovely St Andrew's Christmas scene on our window.

Our sincere thanks to the school choir, whose beautiful singing set the perfect festive mood, and to the talented B Starz performers, who lit up the stage with their brilliant performances. We were honoured to welcome the Deputy Mayor, who officially opened the event.

Finally, thank you to all the families who joined us to celebrate. It was a magical day from start to finish! From your FOSA Team

The St Andrew's lanterns made a happy return to Onederland on Saturday after the bad weather cancellation last year. Despite the rain, hundreds of people lined the streets to see the big lanterns parade along the High Street along with loads of local families with home-made lanterns or ones they made at school or at their nursery. It was a beautiful sight, and the marching band were excellent, though Santa was obviously a highlight for many! Thanks to Church Gate House and Cobham Furniture staff, who supported us with logistics and storage.

Earlier, our choir performed on the stage. Thankfully, they were out of the rain - though the poor parents and staff were not! From the first note of Frosty the Snowman they sang out beautifully and brought some real Christmas cheer to the High Street ahead of the Christmas light switch on. Some of our team had only been in choir for a short time and it was a very impressive show of confidence to see them up on that stage so soon! (Mrs Mitchell)



Year 4

Henry Class really enjoyed the Anglo-Saxon and Viking Workshop on Tuesday - they got to hold and try on different Viking artefacts and they learnt loads about what daily life was like and what food was typically eaten (Did you know that Anglo-Saxons didn't have potatoes or tomatoes?). They even got to dress Miss Wyatt up as a rich Anglo-Saxon lady! (Miss Wyatt)



Parton Class

Year 2 and 3 have explored what life was like in Tudor times with real artefacts from the period. We used our knowledge of life in the past to predict what each object was used for, made from and even what it looked like before the big reveal! We studied quills, pieces of pottery, thimbles, toys, coins and even a shoe! (Miss Harris)

Poppy Appeal

We raised £236.31 for the British Legions Poppy Appeal —Thank you



Please see the attached St Andrew's Church's flyer for information regarding the Christingle Service, the Community Choir and their Christmas lunch.

Football

On Tuesday the boy's football team that included boys from Year 3, 5 and 6 played Hinchley Wood Primary School in an away match. It was a great all-round performance from all the boys who came out on top with a 6-0 win that included a hat trick from the captain, Rudy. Matthew, Maz and Arshan also scored. Congratulations to Ali who was voted Man of the Match by the Hinchley Wood players because of his great passing, dribbling, assists and team spirit. Many thanks to Mrs Eley, the parent helpers, Coach Rachel and Hinchley Wood for hosting the match. The result really shows that great teamwork pays off. (George, Rudy and Ali – Year 6)



Last Friday our girls' football team played a match against Thames Ditton Junior School. The team did not manage to win but played well as a team showing good skills, determination and sportsmanship. Thanks to Coach Rachel, Izzy Proctor who refereed the match, and to all the supporters.



Christmas Post Box



The School Christmas Post Box is now in the reception area. Children may post Christmas cards to their friends and teachers if they wish. Our trusty Year 6 Postal Service make regular deliveries to the classes up to the end of term. Please write the recipient's full name and class on the envelope to ensure these season's greetings are received. To make sorting easier please can the cards for a class be tied together rather than posted individually.

Best Class Attendance
Teresa

House Points
Boxhill

Next Week's Value
Perseverance

Celebration Certificates

Value– Integrity

- Teresa:** Maise
- Parton:** Isaiah
- Henry:** Phoebe
- Craig:** Harry
- Hamilton:** Axel

Achievement, Progress or effort in Maths/English

- Teresa:** Al Ameen
- Parton:** Jackson
- Henry:** Bodhi
- Craig:** Arshan
- Hamilton:** Grace

