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St Andrew's News



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Message from Head Teachers

Dear parents and carers,

A warm welcome back to the Summer Term! We hope you all had a wonderful break. This term is due to be an exciting one for our pupils as they enjoy time on the field, swimming and sports days, as well as their final term of learning in their current year group.

Our value this week has been resilience and we have talked about the 'bounce-back-ability' we need in life. Your children will tell you about the video clip we watched in assembly of a toddler learning to walk and the power of 'yet'. If you are interested in exploring the vital concept of resilience and growth mindset further with your child, these links could be useful.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6pt848J58Qo>

<https://www.mindsetkit.org/growth-mindset-parents/learn-about-growth-mindset/what-is-growth-mindset-parents>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zrtHt3BmQ>

Best wishes

Jo Mitchell & Bethan Thomas

Parent partnership meetings

This term's meetings will focus on maths and developing a range of strategies to support learning at home. We will be sharing our maths mastery approach which will include the process we journey through from using practical apparatus to using pictures to support understanding to finally the formal method. This will be a great opportunity to learn about the age related expectations for each phase and the way in which we teach particular methods. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. The meetings are from 9.00-9.45am on the following dates :

.. Wednesday 1st May Year 5 and 6 parents.

Wednesday 8th May - Reception and Year 1 parents

Wednesday 22nd May - Year 2, 3 and 4 parents.

Spelling Shed

We are delighted to report that our new spelling programme, Spelling Shed, has been enthusiastically received by children from across the school. Lots of you have bought the app and many of the children enjoy practising their spellings at home, especially all the different games.

Just to let you know, that children have to use their official login (the one they use in school and sent home earlier in the term) if they want to play the games and collect points. A few children have been playing games at home and then are disappointed when their name does not appear on the school leader board. Please remind them to use their login from school. (Miss Dale)
www.spellingshed.com

Reception

Reception ended our dinosaur topic by all gathering in the playground to watch our volcano erupt. We were all very excited and watched in amazement as the 'lava' shot up in the air and then trickled down the sides of the volcano. (Miss Woolven)



Staff news

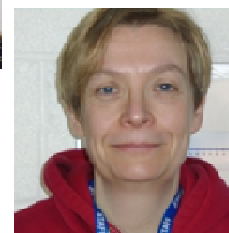
This week we welcomed new members of staff to St Andrew's and we also welcomed Mrs Taylor back following her maternity leave. Mrs Taylor will be teaching in Year 3 Miss Strudwick is the new Year 1 teacher in Dahl class, Miss Campbell will be teaching Einstein class and Mrs Thomas is doing PPA teaching and will teach Luther King on a Friday.



Mrs Thomas



Miss Campbell



Miss Strudwick

Clubs

Clubs start next week. There are a few places in some clubs, such as football for Year 3, 4, 5 & 6, gymnastics for Year 1 –3 and some of the clubs that run before school, such as yoga and meditation and outdoor gym.

There are still a few spaces for Tween the Lines novel reading club for Years 5-6. This term we are reading the 'Holes' by Louis Sachar, a brilliant modern day classic set in the Texan desert.

House Points

In the final assembly last term Miss Thomas awarded 40 pupils with gold (60 house points) and 4 pupils with platinum awards (80 house points). All pupils with gold and platinum awards were entered into separate draws. Two gold award pupils (Ryza and Isaac) received a £5 book token and two platinum pupils (Seve and Paulo) will be going to the Cobham Bookshop with Miss Thomas to choose a book .

Swimming

Please note that swimming lessons begin next week for children in Year 2 to 6. Children should come to school in their PE kits, on their swimming days, during the swimming season. This is not only to aid with speed of changing but also because the children will have a PE lesson on their swimming days.

Sumaze! is a new immersive game designed by MEI to develop fluency, mathematical thinking and problem-solving from a young age. It is a free downloadable app



for 4 - 7 year olds that supports the teaching of mastery in maths and comes highly recommended by the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics. It may well fill a few minutes screen time in a helpful, educational and fun way. (Mrs Mackie Gandy)

Jamming Together

At the end of last term, St Andrews had a performance from the Jamming Together student rock band. This program currently runs after school on Tuesdays and is open to any student in year 3–6.

If you have a child that is interested, please visit www.newmusiciansinstitute.com

or contact NMI directly on 07421 367140 or via email: admin@newmusiciansinstitute.com

Key Dates: • Clubs start Monday 29th April • Parent Partner ship meeting for Year 5 & 6 parents 9.00-9.45am—Wednesday 1st May • Year 5 to Harry Potter—Thursday 2nd May • Key Stage 2 SATS Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May • SASA May Fair—Saturday 18th May

Positive Playtime winners
Luther King & Potter



Winning House
Painshill

Best Class Attendance
Djawadi 100 %

This week's value
Resilience

Next week's value
Respect

Celebration CertificatesValue—Resilience

Donaldson: Hunter
Nightingale: Edward
Dahl: Colby
Hawking: Freddie
Attenborough: Leo
Johnson: Holly
Parks Charlie & Alfie.
Djawadi: Brooke
Franklin: Harvey

Einstein: Zayn
Earhart: Kyriakos
Luther King: Rosie
Potter: Amillie
Lowry: Alfie
Shackleton: Erin
Mandela: Neve

Achievement, Progress or effort in Maths/English

Donaldson: Scarlett
Nightingale: Janie-May
Dahl: Reece
Hawking: Samuel
Attenborough: Ben
Johnson: Herbie
Parks: Jenna
Djawadi: Chloe
Franklin: Jack & Safaa

Einstein: Rafe
Earhart: Fynn
Luther King: Leah
Potter: Sam
Lowry: Cara
Shackleton: Leo
Mandela: William