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# St Andrew's News



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## Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers

It was lovely to see so many of you at parents evening this week. We hope you found the reading guides helpful along with the recommended reads for each year group. If you haven't had a chance to meet your child's teacher, please make sure you do next week.

Spring term Forest School sessions have run this week. Pupils have enjoyed comparing the forest school environments from winter to spring.

We have brought personal footballs in school to an end. We have over 50 footballs plus 100 tennis balls and trolleys full of playtime equipment. Please make sure your child does not bring in any items from home. Thank you.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend with family and friends,

Stina Witkowski

## Next Week!

There are lots of activities planned for next week:

- Easter egg raffle - lots of eggs were donated so lots of potential winners.
- Easter Trail - interactive retelling of the Easter Story around the school that every class interacts with at each stage of the story.
- Trip to the church for our special Easter Service
- Easter Pause Day activities.
- Easter Egg Hunt



## Easter Service

All parents and grandparents are invited to attend our Easter Service at St. Andrew's Church on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30 a.m. The children will walk to church at 9.00 a.m. If you can walk along with us to keep the children safe, and then back again to school at about 10.30 a.m. please let the office know.

## Bird World

Last Friday, Cole Class (Reception and Year 1) went on a day trip to Bird World in Farnham. Our current project is "Animal Safari" so we were able to use the knowledge we had gained about birds while looking around. The children were amazed by the beautiful colours and sizes of many of the birds which included flamingos, owls, toucans, parrots and emus. They were particularly excited by the penguins and astounded by the huge pelicans they have there. The children also had to use their resilience as it rained on and off all day. Well done everyone - we had a great day! ( Mrs Wilde)



## Big Questions

On Wednesday we had our "Big Questions" afternoon where Rev. Mike came round to our classes to answer the big questions which children had thought of arising from RE lessons, class discussions and assemblies. The children asked questions such as "How did God make us?", "Why did Jesus have to have parents?" and "How can we prove the Bible is true?" Mike gave such interesting answers which prompted the children to ask more questions! Rev. Mike really enjoyed the experience, and we plan to hold another similar afternoon next year. (Mrs Wilde)

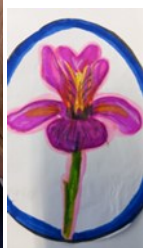


Biles

Biles Class were in the cookery room once again! We made a tomato and vegetable pasta sauce from scratch by following a recipe very carefully. We divided jobs fairly (even the washing up!) and then served our pasta within our groups. It tasted amazing and we had lots of fun. ( Mrs Ellard)

Outdoor Learning

During outdoor learning this week, five classes have had an opportunity to explore our grounds and enjoy the great outdoors! We've cleared beds and then everyone has planted something (including wildflower seeds, tomatoes, sweet peas, courgettes, peas and sunflowers) in different pots and spaces. We have also worked on teamwork and cooperation as well as 'stealth skills' through a range of games. In addition, we've using water colour pens and pencils to help us with observational drawings of plants and flowers which some of us then turned into Easter cards. Some great efforts - you may even be able to see them out the front of school! I am looking forward to Tuesday's session with Cole class. ( Mrs Mackie-Gandy)



Spring Clearing? Over the Easter break if you are having a wardrobe clearance, please know there will be another Bag2School collection right after we get back. Confirmed date to follow in next week's newsletter. As we are having some great sales in our pre-loved shop, please think of donating any items with the school crest.

Thursday next week, on the last day of term, we will have an Easter Egg Hunt at the school. Please get your free ticket on ClassList and let us know any allergy or medical consideration and we will plan accordingly. We welcome parent helpers. If you have not got involved with an event yet this is a fun one to be part of. The sign-up sheets are on ClassList also.

I would like to take the opportunity to say we are grateful for parental support that Friends of St Andrew's are given. Every purchase at the pre-loved shop, every "like" on social media and ClassList and every kind word of support is always welcome and appreciated! ( Yvonne Bond)

Easter Egg Raffle

Year 6 have organised a chocolate raffle to raise funds for their end of year trip. Members of Year 6 have been visiting classes to sell the tickets at £1 a strip and will continue until the draw on the last day of term. There are many hampers to be won so please ensure your child has bought their tickets. (Miss Mercey)

Holiday Camps

Ultimate Coaching, who run our afterschool football clubs, are holding Easter camps at various schools. For details <https://ultimate-coaching.classforkids.io/camps> Surrey Soccer Schools, who run Saturday coaching at St Andrew's, are also holding an Easter Camp- see flyer for details.

**Best Class Attendance**  
**Nadim**

**House Points**  
**Polesden Lacey**

**Next Week's Value**  
**Achieve**

Celebration CertificatesValue- Respect

**Cole:** Tommy  
**Brown:** Arthur  
**Kolisi:** Axel  
**Nadim:** Rudy  
**Biles:** Jayden  
**Farah:** Adrienne

Achievement, Progress or effort in Maths/English

**Cole:** Joude  
**Brown:** Emily  
**Kolisi:** Poppy  
**Nadim:** Anaelia  
**Biles:** Ava  
**Farah:** Karmel