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St Andrew's News



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Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been a little rainier than previous but most days the children have been able to get out into the fresh air and play.

Today we celebrated National Teaching Assistants Day. We thanked our LSAs for all their hard work and let them know they play a crucial role in supporting teachers, helping pupils and ensuring that classrooms run smoothly.

The school has run the OPAL project (Outdoor Play and Learning) for a few years now with great success. It is important to have space and choice of activity at lunchtimes so that children have some real 'down time' before afternoon lessons.

We are looking to restock our supplies and would like to start collecting new things from next week. Please read the details attached, and hopefully you may have some items you could donate.

Thank you so much. Have a wonderful weekend

Stina Witkowski

Cooking

Erikson had a fabulous afternoon making ratatouille and boiled potatoes as part of our Cook Well, Eat Well project. We had a delicious array of vegetables including fresh tomatoes grown and picked by the children at school. A big thank you to Mel and Sam for volunteering to help with the cooking and washing up! (Mrs Eley)



Faith Ambassadors

The Faith Ambassadors have created a prayer activity all about our first new school value "Gratitude". All children are invited to come and draw or write about something they are grateful for and stick it on our overflowing bucket of gratitude. The prayer space is open every lunchtime. The Faith Ambassadors club is open to anyone Year R to 6 of any faith or none. We meet on Mondays 3.20-4.20 in Winstanley Class with Mrs Wilde and Elaine from St. Andrew's Church. (Mrs Wilde)





We will be celebrating Harvest in assembly on Friday 4 October, and we would be grateful if children could bring in non-perishable food for this assembly. Your contributions will be taken to St. Andrew's Church for their Harvest Festival Family Service at 10.00am on Sunday 6 October which all families are invited to attend.

The food will be given to our local foodbank to support families in Cobham, Oxshott and surrounding villages. Examples of what is appreciated include pasta, rice, tinned food, UHT milk and fruit juice, tea, coffee, dog and cat food, biscuits, etc. Please do not donate any out-of-date goods as they cannot be used. Contributions can be given to the class teacher or brought to the office. Thank you

iSing POP We are looking forward to the iSingPop performances at St Andrew's Church on Tuesday 8 October to which you are all invited. Please complete this [iSingPop response form](#) to inform us about help for the walk to the church, pick up arrangements and t-shirts. See attached letter for details.

Drama Club

There are still places available in the St Andrew's Drama Club! No experience necessary. This is a **free** after school club on Wednesdays - 3:20 - 4:20 p.m. for students in Year 3 to Year 6. Email me if you would like to know more about the club info@learnthroughdrama.com
Margaret Branscombe



Next week we have the first of our cakes sales with Year 6 kicking us off. The **cake sale will be next Thursday 3rd October** after school and if anything is left there will be a continued sale after clubs. Please see attached flyer for details.

Mufti Day Friday 11th October. The children are invited to wear non-uniform clothes into to school for a donation of chocolate or a bottle (alcoholic or non- alcoholic). The chocolate and bottles will be used to stock our Christmas Fair tombola stalls!

FoSA have begun their **Tuesday night meetings to organised this year's Christmas Fair**. This will be a weekly 1 hour, 7pm-8pm, meeting via video call. EVERYONE is welcome - even just to listen in or add comment or suggestion. Of course, if you can help that is most welcome! We are very excited about our plans and what is booked so far! I will post the details on ClassList.

Last year the children had the opportunity to have their designs made into **Christmas cards or accessories**. We have signed up again to Cauliflower cards to give parents option to order their creations into print or become an accessory. Part of the money will come back in commission to the school.

Earrings

Surrey guidance states that no earrings can be worn for PE. This means they cannot be covered in tape/plaster so please ensure that earrings are removed on days that your child has PE if they are not able to take them out themselves

We also ask that pupils try not to get their ears pierced during term time as they will not be able to remove these for six weeks, impacting on their ability to take part in PE. If your child is planning to have any ear piercing and it is done at the start of the holidays this will allow time to heal before they return to school.

Best Class Attendance
Mallory

House Points
Brooklands

Next Week's Value
Gratitude

Celebration Certificates

Value– Perseverance

- Winstanley:** Scarlet
- Bingham:** Louie
- Erikson:** David
- Cousteau:** Grace
- Fiennes:** Ruben
- Mallory:** Maddie



Achievement, Progress or effort in Maths/English

- Winstanley:** Ove
- Bingham:** Matthew
- Erikson:** Elliot
- Cousteau:** Solomon
- Fiennes:** Mollie
- Mallory:** Charlie