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St Andrew's News



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Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a wonderful term filled with learning, progress, creativity and many memorable moments across the school.

We are incredibly proud of all the children for their hard work and enthusiasm. They have shown great resilience and kindness, and it has been lovely to see their confidence and achievements continue to grow.

For those that could attend, our Easter Service was fantastic and the children sang beautifully! One parent said it brought tears to their eyes. We were all very proud of the children in their Easter story readings and singing. Thank you to every parent who helped walk the children to and from the church.

As we approach the Easter break, I hope this will be a chance for everyone to enjoy some well-earned rest and special time together with family and friends.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Easter holiday.

Stina Witkowski



House Points

The winning House this term was **Boxhill** with 932 points followed by **Painshill**, **Poleseden Lacey**, **Brooklands** and **Wisley**.

Boxhill pupils have a **mufti day on Friday 17 April** to celebrate their success.



Easter Service

The sun shone as the whole school walked to church yesterday for the Easter Service. Every class had a part of the Easter story to tell. The children spoke clearly and expressively and enjoyed listening to each other. The singing was resounding; a special well done goes to Year 6, who sang the harmony for "The Lord's My Shepherd" so well. Mrs Wilde's talk involved everyone having to guess what Easter treats she had bought which made her "happy". However, the real JOY came from the Easter story itself and the discovery that Jesus was in fact not dead but alive.

After we returned from church, Easter Pause Day continued with classes enjoying hot cross buns and learning about the whole Easter story. Teresa Class did an egg hunt where clues to the story were hidden inside eggs, Parton class made triptychs to show the story in 3

parts, as well as making palm crosses, Henry Class used computer technology to make E-books of the story, Craig Class made comic strips, and Hamilton Class made scenes in boxes which beautifully illustrated every part of the story. Every class also took part in the Easter trail which led them into different places around school: beginning at Palm Sunday, through the overturned tables in the temple, stopping to see Jesus wash feet, taking part in the last supper, observing the sadness of Good Friday and finally the joy of the empty tomb on Easter day. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who made Easter Pause Day special this year. (Mrs Wide)





Art Bytes is a national art and EdTech programme for Year 5 and Year 9 pupils. Sponsored by Claremont and Oxshott Arts Society, a group of Year 5 pupils have recently submitted entries to the Art Bytes inter-school art competition. We would like your help to win!

Click on the QR code or go to our [school's page](#) to visit St Andrew's portfolio pages to see the three shortlisted artworks from St Andrew's. Using the VOTE NOW buttons that appear under each shortlisted artwork, vote for your preference. **Voting is open now until Sunday 19th April.**



The artwork from each school receiving the most votes (1st place) wins a place in the virtual gallery exhibition and goes forward for regional consideration and possibly national award consideration by an esteemed judging panel. **Please get voting now!** (Mrs Eley -Art & Design subject lead) LEGO innovation

Henry Class had an amazing afternoon at Reed's School, learning about coding and building LEGO structures which they could program. Children made a LEGO crocodile which used sensors to bite down when you put your finger near its mouth! It was a great experience, and fun was had by all. Thank you to Reed's School for hosting the event, Brian, the Lego trainer, for the fun workshop, Mel West for helping and the other parents who provided lifts. (Miss Wyatt)



Important Update for Parents and Carers

From 1 April 2026, updated Government guidance will come into effect for all schools regarding restrictive interventions, including the use of reasonable force. We would like to reassure families that at our school, our approach is always centred on positive relationships, early intervention, de-escalation and keeping children safe and supported. Staff at our school are not trained in specific physical restraint methods, and these are not used as part of our usual practice. Any physical intervention would only ever be considered as a last resort in a genuine emergency, for example if a child was at immediate risk of harm, such as running into the road or in another situation of serious danger. The updated guidance also makes clear that parents must be informed following any significant incident, and that schools must record and review these carefully. Full details are included in the attached information document and, as always, if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Boy's Football

Last week, we played a football match against St Albans Primary School. Despite losing the match, we showed perseverance, determination and teamwork.



For our team, Ali received Man of the Match and for the other team, it was number 7. Thank you to Mrs Eley for organising the match and to Coach Rachel for refereeing (Ali & Aidan Y6)



BAG 2 SCHOOL

Your child should have brought home a bag for our next Bag2School collection. If you are having a clear out over the holidays, please do fill the donation bag. Please note they do not accept school or work uniforms. Please drop bags at the front of the school before 9.00am on the Wednesday 29 April. Thank you.

Best Class Attendance
Hamilton

House Points
Boxhill

Next week's value
Perseverance

Celebration Certificates

Value– Respect

- Teresa:** Antonia
- Parton:** Gracie
- Henry:** Simi
- Craig:** Hubert
- Hamilton:** Grace

Achievement, Progress or effort in Maths/English

- Teresa:** William
- Parton:** Ells
- Henry:** Bonnie
- Craig:** Phoebe
- Hamilton:** Mia

