St. Andrew's C of E Junior School Newsletter

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Diary Dates

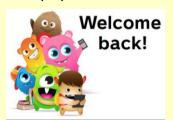
Mon 16th Sept Activity Clubs start

Mon 16th Sept Friends of St Andrew's meeting 6.30pm in school ALL WELCOME!



Headteacher's Message

Welcome back! What a lovely start we've had to the new school year. I am so impressed with how well all the children are coming in to school and how well they have settled into their new classes. Our new Year 3 children are amazing! No fuss...not even on day one! Well done everyone. You all look really smart in your uniforms and I am so pleased to see you after the summer. Keep up the excellent work! ©



Friends of St. Andrew's

The Friends organise so many wonderful fundraising events for us; - the school disco, our Christmas and summer fairs and Mother and Father's Day stalls to name but a few. Last year the money raised went towards buying a community defibrillator and new playground equipment including our Friendship bench. Without their continued support many of these things would not be possible. Thank you to our Friends and to all the parents who have contributed to make sure these events are a success. If you are interested in getting involved in any way please come along to the first Friends meeting of the year on Monday 16th September at 6.30pm at school (please come to the Breakfast Club/ Kids Club door) or contact the school office. If you are willing to help with the role of Friends Treasurer we would particularly like to hear from you!

A message from our Learning mentors

This year Mrs Moon will be running her Jigsaw Juice club at morning break time. Children are given a drink and a healthy snack and have the opportunity to chat to their friends and our Learning Mentors. The purpose of the group is to allow the children a quiet, nurturing space to relax and socialise. The group is by invitation only.

Our Senior Learning Mentor Mrs Brearley is in the playground most days before school if you have any concerns you would like to discuss with her.





Parent's Information Evening

This week we have sent home curriculum letters showing the Autumn term overview. These are also available on our website. We will be providing more information about plans for your child's learning this year at our Information Evening on Tuesday 17th September.



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Dear God, Thank you for the gift of education in every form.

As our children prepare to start a new year may confidence be their foundation, may grace be their guide and may hope be their compass towards a bright future.

I pray they would have eyes to see the needs of those around them and a heart to love well.

May they face each day with positivity knowing that no matter what comes their way, they do not have to face it alone.

Amen.

Our Christian value this half term is thankfulness



We will be thinking about what we are thankful for and ways we can show it. The Home School Values sheet has ideas on how to explore this value with your child.

School Uniform

Please make sure that your child has the correct school uniform at all times:

Navy jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt (not hooded) - with the school badge.

White shirt/blouse or white polo shirt - with or without the school badge.

Grey trousers (long or short), grey skirt or pinafore.

Summer alternative - blue and white checked dress.

Sensible black shoes - NO TRAINERS.



If your child wears earrings he/she must be able to remove them for PE and swimming or cover them with tape.

Long hair should be tied up for PE and swimming.

Please make sure that all items have your child's name in them so that they can be found and returned to you if lost. This is particularly important for jumpers and cardigans.

Healthy Snacks

We no longer have a Tuck shop in school but we would like to encourage parents to send a portion of fruit or vegetables for your child to have at morning break. Ideas to try would be a small tub of grapes, carrot sticks, blueberries, strawberries or slices of apple.



School Photographs

Your child should have brought home their school photo proof yesterday. Orders can be placed online for these. If you wish to order through school please return your order with cash or cheque in the envelope provided no later than Friday 20th September.



We keep our children safe by...

Giving all our new Year 3 children the opportunity to talk to the Learning Mentors. Mrs Brearley and Mrs Moon will check that the children are settling in well and that they feel safe and secure in school.

