

St. Andrew's C of E Junior School Newsletter

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Diary Dates

Wed 11 March
Parents Consultation
Meetings
2.00pm - 5.30pm

Wed 11 March
Mothers Day Stall
organised by the
Friends of St Andrews

Fri 13 March
Sports Relief
Non uniform day

w/c Mon 23 March
DT week
Y3, Y4 & Y5

Thurs 26 March
3.30pm - 4.30pm
Family Learning
Easter crafts



School Attendance



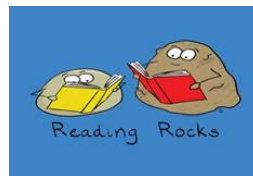
Whole school
attendance so far
this half #term is

96.8%

Headteacher's Message

It was lovely to see the children in their World Book Day costumes on Thursday. We started our day with a special assembly where staff talked about the books they enjoyed reading the most when they were young. Hopefully staff have given our children some new ideas for books they might like to read! Please continue to encourage your children to read every day. Studies show that reading makes a big difference to children's educational performance. Children who regularly read develop a broader vocabulary, increased general knowledge and a better understanding of other cultures.

Reading rocks!!



Sculpture Park Visit



This week Year 5 visited Yorkshire Sculpture Park. They had a tour of the park, sketched and discussed some of the sculptures in the morning and in the afternoon they made their own outdoor sculptures in small groups. Luckily the weather stayed fine for us but we did get rather muddy!



TRUST and TRUTHFULNESS

Our Christian values this term are trust and truthfulness. We hope that you will enjoy exploring these values with your child using the attached worksheet.



Dear God,

Please show me how to spend this day sharing your love in every way.

Help me to be kind to everyone, to play and laugh and have lots of fun.

Shining your light and giving your grace, sharing your joy with a smile on my face!

Amen

Barnardo's BEAM Ambassadors

This week the children in Year 5 have become our St Andrew's BEAM Ambassadors. The children have been working on what our differences are and what different families look like. They have studied gender stereotypes and discussed what LGBTQT means. They have looked at bullying and how to help stop this. The children really enjoyed the session which was led by Barnardo's.



We keep our children safe by...

teaching them about how to stop germs spreading.

With the coronavirus on everyone's mind we are following DfE guidelines for educational settings which is updated daily.

Please help by talking to your child about the importance of regular hand washing.

Children should be encouraged to wash their hands with soap and water after going to the toilet, before eating and after breaks.

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

<p>If you need to cough or sneeze</p>  <p>Catch it with a tissue</p>  <p>Bin it</p>  <p>Kill it by washing your hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser</p>			<p>You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser</p>  <p>After breaks & sport activities</p>  <p>Before cooking & eating</p>  <p>On arrival at any childcare or educational setting</p>  <p>After using the toilet</p>  <p>Before leaving home</p>			
<p>✓ Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands</p>		<p>✓ Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles</p>		<p>✓ If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels</p>		

OUR SCHOOL VISION

Promoting excellence within a caring, Christian community

Confident - We embrace challenge and persevere

Aspire - We aim high

Respectful - We are friends and cherish God's world

Inclusive - We welcome everyone and are all of equal worth

Nurturing - We look after each other so we can all flourish

Generous - We give to each other and our community



"Love each other as I have loved you."

John 15:12

Mothers Day Stall

Wednesday 11th March
 Gifts available to buy priced from £2.50 - £5.00.



School Closure Information

It's that time of year again when bad weather conditions may mean school has to close.

If this should happen parents will be advised as soon as possible by text or details of local school closures can be found at

<https://calderdale.gov.uk/education/closures/status.jsp?establishment=SCH>

Useful resource

<http://www.openmindscalderdale.org.uk/>

This website provides advice, information, support and signposting on local and national emotional health and wellbeing services that help children,