

St. Andrew's C of E Junior School Newsletter



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Diary Dates

Mon 6th June

School closed for
Jubilee Bank Holiday

Tues 7th June

School re-opens

Tues 7th—9th June

Year 6 Bikeability

Weds 15th June

Invite into Classrooms 3.10pm

Fri 1st July

Summer Fair
3.30pm—5.00pm

Mon 4th July

Calderdale Transition Day

Fri 8th July

Sports Day

Fri 15th July

After School Activity Clubs
finish

Tues 19th July

Leavers Assembly—1.00pm

Weds 20th July

Parent's Consultation Eve

Thurs 21st July

Leavers Prom
6.30pm—8.00pm

Fri 22nd July

Always Assembly—2.45pm

School closes for Summer



Headteacher's Message



We had a wonderful day yesterday celebrating the jubilee. The children enjoyed a royal parade and a picnic lunch. Thank you so much to the catering team for providing a great royal picnic. The children have enjoyed learning about the monarchy in class and how this has changed in Britain over the years.

Can I also thank the PTA for helping to organise the school disco last week. Lots of children said that they had never attended a disco due to Covid and so it was lovely to provide the children with opportunities they have missed out on over the past two years.



Mrs Jocelyn, Head of School



Dear God,

You made me,
To jump for joy,
To sing happy songs,
To run fast,
To climb high,
To spin and twirl.

You made me
To dance with excitement,
To clap with thanks,
To laugh lots,
To shout loud,
To be a brilliant me!
Amen

Year 5 Yorkshire Sculpture Park Visit

Year 5 spent a fantastic day at the Yorkshire Sculpture Park last week. They had a tour of the park led by an artist and then in the afternoon made sculptures in the landscape from a mix of resources that included tyres, stones, tubes and plastic pieces.

The children learnt about sculptures and local artists and are now using what they have learnt to help them create wonderful soap sculptures (using John Drury soap made in Brighouse) in class.



Collective Worship

On Tuesday St. Andrew's invited a Humanist speaker to join our collective worship. She also spent time speaking to our Year 5 children. The pupils learnt about what being a Humanist means and how being a Humanist impacts on their daily lives. The children were very interested and asked lots of great questions. At our school we welcome all faiths and learn about the facts from faiths around the world. Thank you to Miss Holt for arranging this wonderful visit.

Bee Netball Festival



On Monday 23rd May some of the Netball team attended the Bee Netball Festival at Calderdale College. The team took part in netball skills activities and two matches. The girls really enjoyed the event. We lost the first match but were victorious in the second.

On Wednesday 23rd May, St Andrew's hosted a match against Woodhouse School. The team were fantastic ambassadors of St Andrew's, showing great sportsmanship. Well done.



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

We keep our children safe by.....

..... inviting Bikeability in to work with our children in Upper Key Stage 2. Children have the opportunity to learn how to look after their bike and how to travel on the road safely.



Year 6 Mayan Workshop

Last Tuesday our Year 6 pupils took part in a Mayan workshop. We invited a visitor in to school. The children learnt about life in the Mayan times, learnt how to be an archaeologist and finished the day with some drama about Mayan Gods. They had a wonderful time and learnt new fascinating facts.



Chat around the table

Can you have a chat about why the jubilee is so special in our country?



Thank you

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising and running our school disco last Friday. The children and staff had a fantastic time.

Thanks also to our PTA for agreeing to pay for the water bottles for our new starters who will join us in Year 3 from September. The PTA are able to do this because of your participation in and donations kindly made supporting the events they run. Thank you everyone your support is greatly appreciated.



Zoom Parent Workshop on Social Media and Emotional Wellbeing

We are inviting parents / carers to an information session around social media and emotional wellbeing which will be held via Zoom on Monday 27th June at 4.30pm.

The session will be interactive with opportunities for discussion.

It will cover the following:

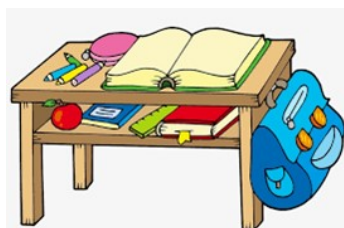
- Exploring the advantages and disadvantages of social media
- Understanding how social media can impact wellbeing
- The impact of social media on the brain
- Strategies for managing online wellbeing



Parents need to text us by 17th June to advise if they would like to join.

A link will be sent the week before to all parents who sign up.

Invite into Classrooms



On Wednesday 15th June we are inviting our parents/carers in to see their child's work in the classroom. We are aware that many of our parents have not had the opportunity to look at their child's work due to the school's Covid restrictions. Classroom doors will open at 3.10pm and parents/carers will be invited to look through their child's work. Children can then leave with parents at the end of the school day. To avoid too much congestion, we ask that only one parent/carer attends school and that pushchairs are left outside in the playground. We ask that all school exercise books remain in school and are not taken home at the end of the session. We will hold further events like this in the future and understand

that some parents will not be able to attend due to collecting siblings from the Infant School or due to work commitments. Completed exercise books will be sent home at the end of the academic year.

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

Over the month of June, children in Year 4 will complete the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC). This will not be done on one set day like other assessments such as GCSEs or SATs. Parents will be informed of the assessment result in the end of year school report. More information can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/multiplication-tables-check-information-for-parents/multiplication-tables-check-information-for-parents-text-version--2>

Please take the time to help your child learn the times tables. Using TT Rockstars is a great way to encourage this and helps your child to earn extra smiles too. The aim is to get the answer correct within 6 seconds. Children get a score out of 25. You can check your child's progress by checking in their planner.

Curriculum Information

Please look out for this half term's curriculum letter. Parents are informed half-termly about the upcoming objectives being covered throughout the whole curriculum. Teachers provide parents with a list of the new vocabulary being taught in the curriculum too. These are sent by text message to parents with a link to our school website. For more information visit your child's year group page here <https://standrews.calderdale.sch.uk/year-groups/>.

Headlice

We are writing to inform you that there have recently been a few cases of head lice identified in school. While lice are nothing more than a nuisance, it is important that children are checked on a weekly basis so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they are able to spread. Please follow the simple routine below to ensure that you are doing all you can to keep head lice outbreaks to a minimum.

CHECK

- Your child's hair once a week
- Use a proper detection comb to trap head lice.
- If you find live lice, consult a pharmacist for treatment advice immediately.
- If head lice are spotted, take a close look at the hair of all the family.

TREAT

- Please treat your child with a clinically proven treatment.
- Leave the treatment on for the recommended time for maximum effect.
- Repeat the treatment for a second time seven days after the treatment to kill any eggs that may hatch after the first treatment.
- Check that all head lice have gone within two to three days of the final application of head lice treatment to complete the process.
- Continue to check for head lice on a regular, weekly basis.

For further information on head lice please see your pharmacist or visit www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice.

Thank you

Fundraising Hero



A huge well done to our very own pupil Ivy for raising a fantastic £230 for Cancer Research.

To raise this amount Ivy held a bun sale in school and on 14th May, she took part in the Cancer Research Kids Pretty Mud 5k run.

Ivy did tremendously and showed a fighting spirit to get to the finish line. She tackled water pistols, muddy nets, wall climbs and hurdles and ran much of the race.

Well done Ivy you are truly a fundraising hero !



Reminder—School is closed Monday 6th June

Active Calderdale



Help Calderdale to improve the lives of those most in need with the Active Calderdale Your Views Matter survey.

No matter how active you currently are, this is your opportunity to express how you feel about being active in your local area so that the right changes can be made to support you, your friends and your family.

The survey takes 10 minutes to complete and can be found here :

<http://activecalderdale.org/YourViewsMatter2022>

Complete the Your Views Matter survey before 6th June 2022 to be in with a chance of winning FIVE £50 Love2Shop vouchers!

SEND and AP Green Paper Review

The Government is seeking views from the public regarding the changes they want to make to the special education needs and disabilities (SEND) and alternate provision (AP) system in England.

All parents and carers are encouraged to send individual responses to the [DfE consultation](#) to express their views. Please be mindful that the deadline for this is Friday 22nd July.

Please follow the links below for more information.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1073623/SEND_Review_consultation_Easy_Read.pdf

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1063620/SEND_review_right_support_right_place_right_time_accessible.pdf

Unique Ways Courses and Workshops

Please see the link below for the new courses and workshops available.

<https://standrews.calderdale.sch.uk/key-information/send/>



Vaccination Reminder



Healthy 5 to 11 year olds are now being offered vaccinations outside of schools in vaccination centres, pharmacies, GPs and walk-in centres. It remains important that those most at risk from COVID-19 are protected with vaccinations. For more information, please see the links below

[vaccinations for clinically vulnerable children and young people.](#)

[book COVID-19 vaccination appointments online](#)

[find a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination site,](#)

Parents should also have received a letter from the NHS with more information about how to get their child vaccinated.

Park Tennis Club, Hove Edge, Brighouse, HD6 2JA, are inviting parents and children of your school to a **Tennis Open Day** on **Sunday 5th June from 1.30pm to 3.30pm** where we will be offering families the chance to have a go at tennis free of charge. Tennis a great sport for maintaining health and wellbeing at all ages in life; it has many social and psychological benefits too.

The Open Day will be led by our Head Coach and Chair, Margaret Bottomley, with some great activities organised. Everyone is welcome to attend from 4 years of age to adults and any ability.

Rackets and tennis balls will be provided if required.

Park Tennis Club has an excellent seated viewing area as well as a clubhouse where free refreshments will be served.



Park Tennis Club

Come and try tennis for FREE! Non-members welcome!

Sunday 5th June 2022 – 1.30pm until 3.30pm

Family fun – or come on your own and we will pair you up for a game

Rackets and tennis balls provided if required

Book your place now – email infoparktennisclub@gmail.com



Spring Bank Holiday – Bikeability Learn to Ride courses 10-3pm 30,31 May & 1 June

A one day learn to ride cycling course at St Augustines school. Starting on balance bikes and moving onto pedal bikes through a series of games and exercises. Suitable for children age 5-9yr. Bikes and helmets available, but if you have your own please bring it. You will need a pack lunch and outdoor clothing for the day. There are a maximum of 12 child places per course.

£11.37 per course – booking via Eventbrite,

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/learn-to-ride-school-holiday-course-tickets-332674336897>

for more details please see <https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/leisure-and-culture/cycling/calderdale-bikeability-cycle-training-courses>

**Free after school programme for ages 10+ at the Himmat Project in Halifax.
The sessions consist of an introduction to the game of squash, followed by**



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PRESENTS

SQUASH & A SCRAN

Cook, eat and play
Tuesdays 4 - 6
Himmat Project, Raven St, Halifax, HX1 4NB
Ages 10 +
FREE



For more info and bookings contact
info@caldercommunitysquash.com

WE'RE BACK FOR A FOURTH YEAR!

CALDER VALLEY
BRICK
SHOW

LEGO BRICK DISPLAYS - TRADE STALLS

SUNDAY 19TH JUNE 2022

**MYTHOLMROYD COMMUNITY & LEISURE CENTRE
CALDENE AVENUE, MYTHOLMROYD, HX7 5AF**

11AM - 5PM (LAST ENTRY 4PM)

PRE-BOOKED ENTRY ONLY

£4 PER PERSON (+ EVENTBRITE FEES)

NO CHARGE FOR PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN

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**Please visit Calderdale's website to see their
Healthy Holiday's Summer Programme**

<https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/community-and-living/healthy-holidays-calderdale>