

St. Andrew's C of E Junior School Newsletter



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Diary Dates

Friday 24th May
ALWAYS assembly

Friday 24th May
School closes for Half Term

Monday 3rd June
Training Day
School closed to pupils

Tuesday 4th June
School re-opens to pupils

Friday 7th June
Non-uniform day in exchange
for bottle donations

Friday 14th June
Summer Fair

Thursday 27th June
School Disco Y3, Y4 and Y5

Thursday 4th July
Sports Day

Friday 5th July
Transition Day



Headteacher's Message

This week in school we've been thinking about the things in our life which make us happy. It was interesting as children all had the opportunity to share the activities they do each day which make them feel good. The pupils listed exercising, drinking water, playing with friends or family, meditating (or being peaceful or doing yoga), having a tidy space around them and being outside as the main activities which made them feel good.

In light of this, and in my aim to try to improve mental health and wellbeing across the school, I would like to trial something new over the next half term. I am going to trial leaving our school gates open from the end of the school day until 4.20pm. During this time, parents and carers will have the opportunity to use our play equipment and outside grounds to play with their children.

Staff will ensure equipment such as footballs, tennis racquets, badminton racquets, chinks etc. are available each night. We will vary the equipment available.

School will not be responsible for the care of the children at this time (unless the child is using our Kids Club or after school club and is booked in for the session). The health and safety of each child remains the responsibility of the parent or carer during this time. Not only will this allow families the space to be able to play together, it will also allow our families to get to know one another also. Adults are welcome to bring along after school snacks and use our picnic tables.

All we ask is that the equipment is tidied away at the end. If this is successful and popular, we will look into continuing this throughout the next academic year. Feedback will, as ever, be gratefully received from parents.

Mrs Jocelyn
Head of School





Dear Lord,

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

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

Holidays during term time

From September there will be some changes being made to the prosecutions for families taking holidays during term time.

Taking holidays in term time will affect children's schooling as much as any other absence and we expect parents to support us by not taking children away in school time. In line government guidance, the Headteacher will not grant any leave of absence for holidays in term time. Holidays taken in term-time will be recorded as 'unauthorised' and the authority will administer fines should holidays be taken.

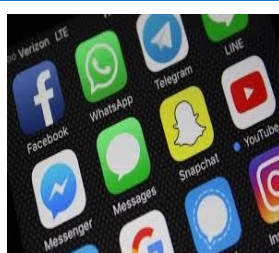
Fines from Calderdale Local Authority will be £80 per parent per child. This fine increases if not paid within 14 days. This includes fines going to any stepmother or stepfather who take the child on holiday whether or not they have parental responsibility. The fine will not go to a parent who does not take the child on holiday. For example if a child lives with mum and stepfather and they go on holiday, they will both receive a fine for the child.

Parking

Please can we ask again that parents do not park on the zig-zag lines directly outside school. This is extremely dangerous. Please help to keep our children and parents carers safe by parking further away from school where it is safe to park and walking the short distance to the school entrance. Please do not park on the pavements as access is required by pedestrians, pushchairs and wheelchairs.



Chat around the table



This week we have been thinking about some of the Apps children use and the time spent on them.

Children could have a chat about how much time is spent each evening using the internet and how much is a healthy amount.

Congratulations!

We are delighted to announce Ms Raistrick is getting married in the half term. She will return to school as Mrs Cowman.

We would like to wish the happy couple a wonderful day and a lifetime of happiness from everyone at St Andrew's school.



Y5 Trip to The Yorkshire Sculpture Park

Recently, Year 5 visited the amazing Yorkshire Sculpture Park in Bretton, Wakefield.

They spent time exploring the park and loved seeing a great variety of sculptures. They also attended a workshop where they learnt more about the artwork in the park and even got to make some of their own using items found in nature.

Germany and France Class have been studying sculptures in their art lessons this half term, and they all left feeling very inspired. So much so, that when they came back to school, they recreated Barbara Hepworth's "The Family of Man" using carbon paper and clay!



Netball Success

Congratulations to our new Y5/Y6 Netball Team.

A fantastic away win last week against a superb team from St Joseph's.

Year 5 team won 4-1 Year 6 team won 9-1

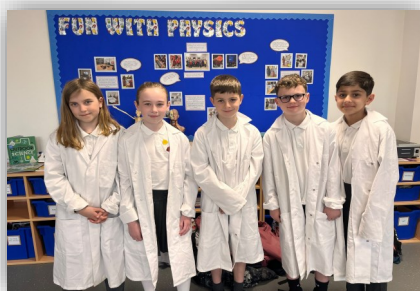
They showed resilience, determination and incredible team work to bring home a double win. Great behaviour, super teamwork and good sportsmanship demonstrated by all children. Go St Andrews!!

Future fixtures include Woodhouse & Northowram.



Physics Olympics

On Tuesday 7th May, a group of Year 5 children took part in the 'Physics Olympics' at Copley Primary School as part of our collaboration with The Ogden Trust. For this annual event, each of the partner schools prepared a science activity for each group to complete. They were all very challenging, but fun. Our five competitors - The St Andrew's Super Scientists - did us so proud! They showed excellent teamwork, worked confidently and...WE WON! The children (and Miss Adamson!) all received a special medal and a gift card for our school, to use towards some more super science activities. It was a fantastic day and we cannot wait to take part again next year.



Crossing Patrol

As you will know, we have not had a lollipop man for some time on Waterloo Road. This is not a role which school are responsible for and falls under the duty of the Local Authority. I have raised this concern a number of times with the Local Authority and also our local MP and have yet to have any success. I understand the dangers that this brings and would also encourage our parents to contact the local MP should they wish.

I would like to ask parents and carers to not park on the yellow zig-zags outside of school as this causes visibility issues for any child wanting to cross Waterloo Road and is extremely dangerous. I will continue to monitor this and will contact parents parking illegally directly should this continue.



Colouring Books

Do you have any colouring books at home that are no longer needed? We would be extremely grateful for any you could spare as a donation for our lunchtime clubs and wrap around care.

Thank you in advance.



September 2024 admissions

Do you know anyone wanting to start reception in September? We still have spaces available. Please pass this message on and encourage anyone thinking about making the move to book a tour of both of our schools.



ST ANDREW'S CE (VA) INFANT SCHOOL



RECEPTION PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

**We still have a small number of spaces available.
Contact us on 01484 714964 to enquire.**



We are Ofsted GOOD with OUTSTANDING features:

"Pupils are happy and enthusiastic learners. They are proud of their work and love to talk about what they know and remember."

"Pupils say they are all good friends and love playing together. They enjoy helping others."

"Leaders are passionate about the pupils' personal development. The school has an exceptional personal development offer"

**"Learning in every subject starts in the Reception class.
The curriculum gives children a firm foundation on which
to build future learning."**

**A place at the Infant School guarantees your child a place
at our OFSTED OUTSTANDING Junior School.**

Telephone: 01484 714964 Email: admin@st-andrews-inf.calderdale.sch.uk
ST ANDREW'S CE (VA) INFANT SCHOOL, LIGHTCLIFFE ROAD, BRIGHOUSE, HD6 2HH

We keep children safe by...

This week our Year 5 children visited Wellholme Park. They learnt about what is happening there and why the barriers are there to keep people safe. Year 5 children should be able to tell their families all about what is being built and what it will look like.

Also our Year 6 children have been involved in a 'Little Lifesavers' workshop and training within school where they have learnt the basics of life support and CPR .



Gymnastics Competition

A huge congratulations to our St Andrews gymnastic teams. Both teams were awarded a Bronze medal! The children performed the vault and a floor routine. Excellent behaviour and sportsmanship demonstrate by all. Miss Holt and Mrs Raistrick are over the moon with such a fantastic result!

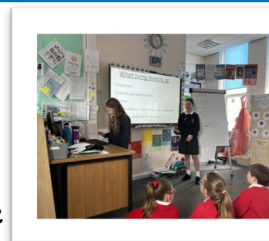


Infant School Collective Worship

Two of our amazing Year 3 children Erika and Evie went to the Infant school last week and lead a collective worship.

They were both very organised and prepared a wonderful presentation ensuring the children were engaged throughout.

Well done girls—you're great ambassadors for our school!



Y6 Chester Zoo Trip

Year 6 spent a fantastic day at Chester Zoo on Tuesday learning about endangered animals and those that have adapted to their environment to support their Science learning on Evolution, and their Geography learning on the Polar Regions.



Y5 Wellholme Park trip

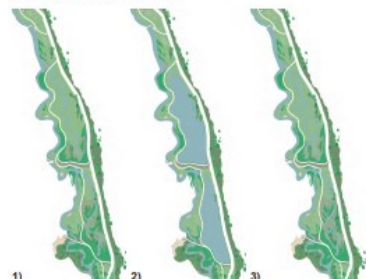
Year 5 visited Wellholme Park on Tuesday to learn about the new flood alleviation scheme there. In class, they have been learning about rivers and flooding, so the trip would help them understand the impact of flooding in the local area.

The children were met by representatives from the Environment Agency and BAM Nutall, the company undertaking the work. They were given a tour of the site and talks about the work being undertaken. They then used this information to produce work about flood defences in the area.



Wellholme Park Flood Alleviation Scheme Design Concept Proposal

The proposed design for the eastern area of Wellholme Park is part of a catchment-wide flood mitigation scheme to control the flow of flood-water. This provided further opportunity to enhance the landscape design of this area, increasing the variety of planting and habitats from the existing expanse of lawn, without compromising its current community functions. The key design objectives were to: 1) provide flood-water retention; 2) improve connectivity through the park; 3) create a sense of arrival at the north and south entrances; 4) improve biodiversity through more varied, resilient planting; 5) enhance its potential as a space for recreation, play and learning.



Indicative flood levels temporality: 1) Low-level flooding would fill the main overflow swale channel, through the centre of the park. 2) Maximum capacity scenarios where the two flood basins are filled. 3) Post flood-event the main and secondary swales hold residual flood water, reflecting the natural, meandering forms of the floodplain.



Calling all young people

Free holiday activities and food sessions

HALF TERM FUN

28th May to 31st May 2024

Join #HealthyHolidaysCalderdale for a variety of activities during February Half Term!

HEALTHY HOLIDAYS CALDERDALE

Calderdale Council

ACTIVE CALDERDALE

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR CALDERDALE

HALF TERM FUN

This is your chance to take part in free, fun activities during the half term holidays! Scan the QR code to find out what activities are available to book.

Find out what's on and book your place at... www.calderdale.gov.uk/healthyholidays

Whether it's abseiling or caving, drama or dance there is something for everyone.

Calderdale Council are providing free activities for young people eligible for free school meals aged 5-16.

Calderdale's Healthy Holidays Half Terms provides enriching activities, delicious nutritious meals, and a chance for young people to meet new friends in a safe & fun environment, during the school holidays.

Calling all 5-16s on Free School Meals - Book your place now!

Subject: Edgerton Dental Clinic: NHS Spaces Available for Children Aged 0-15

*Edgerton Dental Clinic
80 New North Road
Huddersfield
HD1 5NE*

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Edgerton Dental Clinic is currently accepting children aged 0-15 through the NHS

At Edgerton Dental Clinic, we understand the importance of regular dental check-ups for your child's well-being. That's why we're thrilled to announce that we are currently accepting children through the NHS.

We know the concerns surrounding the availability of NHS dental services, and we're here to make sure your child receives the best care possible. It's worth noting that there's currently an average 4-year waitlist for children to see orthodontists. Hence, it's essential to start dental check-ups as soon as possible.

If your child is not already registered with an NHS dentist, we urge you to reach out to our practice. Our team is dedicated to helping you schedule an appointment swiftly. Spaces for children are limited and allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Priority is given to children aged 0-15, ensuring their dental needs are promptly addressed.




Call our reception team on 01484 530343 to BOOK NOW


Thank you for choosing Edgerton Dental Clinic for your family's oral health needs. We eagerly await the opportunity to provide exceptional dental care for your loved ones.

Kind regards,

Edgerton Dental Clinic




22nd - 27th May 2024
12 noon - 4pm
Sailing from Walsden to Brighouse
via Rochdale Canal and Calder & Hebble Navigation





Wednesday 22nd May - 12-4pm
WARLAND/WALSDEN
 (1 mile): Rochdale Canal towpath
 From Warland Swing Bridge no.41 to Copperas House Bridge no.32.

Thursday 23rd May - 12- 4pm
WALSDEN/TODMORDEN
 (2 miles): Rochdale Canal towpath
 From Copperas House Bridge no.32 to Bridge no.26
 (end of Haugh Road.)

Friday 24th May - 12-4pm
TODMORDEN/EASTWOOD/CALLIS BRIDGE/STUBBINGS
 (3 miles): Rochdale Canal towpath
 From Bridge no.26 (end of Haugh Road) to
 Hebble End Bridge no.18 (near Hebden Co-Op.)

Saturday 25th May - 12-4pm
HEBDEN BRIDGE/ MYTHOLMROYD/ LUDDENFOOT/ SOWERBY BRIDGE
 (4 miles) Rochdale Canal towpath
 From Hebble End Bridge no.18 (near Hebden Co-Op)
 to Sowerby Long Bridge no.2 (Hollins Mill Lane, Sowerby Bridge.)

Sunday 26th May - 12-4pm
SOWERBY BRIDGE/ COPLEY
 (3 miles) From Sowerby Long Bridge no.2
 (Hollins Mill Lane, Sowerby Bridge)
 to Salterhebble Bottom Basin Visitor Moorings.

Monday 27th May - 12-4pm
ELLAND/CROMWELL BOTTOM/ BRIGHOUSE
 (3 miles) from Salterhebble Bottom Basin Visitor Moorings
 to Bethal Street Carpark, next to Brighouse Market.

Opal's Comet is
 A vivid artwork transported by a transient community on a waterways pilgrimage. As the crew navigate real-world challenges of boat life, their vessel is in continuous motion and functions as both exhibition space and stage. Their voyage is soundtracked by a live band, performing an original song-cycle and explores the seasons of grief.



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A better future for all generations

Come and join in the fun
Play Bus Arts and Crafts Event

Family Hubs
 Calderdale



Bowling Green Primary School
Thursday 30th May 2024

Arts & Crafts **Fruit Cups** **and much more fun!**



10am-11.30am

For more info contact Elland Family Hub on 01422 266197



FOOTBALL & MULTI-SPORTS

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY CAMP 2024

AGE RANGES FROM SCHOOL YEARS RECEPTION TO YEAR 7

9am to 3pm

Tuesday 28th May 2024

Wednesday 29th May 2024

Thursday 30th May 2024



Lightcliffe Academy

Stoney Lane, Lightcliffe, Halifax HX3 8TL

Be sure to bring along a packed lunch & water bottle each day, along with suitable sports clothing for both indoor and outdoor activities.

Single Day Rate
9am to 3pm
£20

2 Days
9am to 3pm
£35

Tel: 0786 864 0602

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Tel: 0794 959 7032

joe@educationthroughsport.uk



Places where children can eat for free (or reduced price) during the May Half Term holidays



If you need further support, information on food banks, affordable food and community meals can be found at: calderdale.gov.uk/benefits/money/food

ASDA CAFÉ Children under 16 eat for £1 all day, every day with no adult spend required. Free Ella's baby food for children under 18 months with adult purchase. Above are only applicable in Asda's own café's.

BEEFEATER AND BREWERS FAYRE Two children under the age of 16 can get a free breakfast with one paying adult. Valid every day
Brewers Fayre are also offering a Feed the Family offer. From 28th May to 7th June, Monday to Friday, 12-6pm, enjoy two mains and two kids meals for £20.

DOBBIE'S GARDEN CENTRE, HUDDERSFIELD

Kids eat free with every main meal purchased (Breakfast or Lunch) Valid every day

IKEA Kids eat from 95p every day (except Fridays) from 11am.

On Fridays, children can get pasta and sauce for 45p. (Some other meals are 50% off) Must be an Ikea Family member to redeem offers

MORRISONS CAFÉ Spend £4.49 on an adult meal and get 1 free kids meal (aged 16 and under) all day every day.

PAUSA CAFÉ @ DUNELM Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks and a drink FREE with every £4 spend on adult meals, offer available all day

SAINSBURYS CAFÉ From 11:30am, children aged 5-10 eat for £1 (hot meal or a lunch bag) with every adult meal over the value of £5.20 purchased

SIZZLING PUBS (Armytage Arms, Brighouse)

Monday to Friday from 12 noon Childrens main meals are £1 with every adult meal. (this offer is available out of school holidays between 3&7pm)

During the school holidays, you can feed the whole family for under £15 all day, from Monday to Friday Get 2 adult mains from £10.50 and then 2 kids' main meals for just £1 each. After 12noon

TESCO CAFÉ Monday to Friday, Children eat free (up to the value of £3.25) with any adult food purchase. You need to have a clubcard to use this offer. Only applicable in Tesco's own café's.

TABLE TABLE (The Aspley, Huddersfield)

Two children under the age of 16 can get a free breakfast with one paying adult. Valid every day

TGI FRIDAYS Kids eat free with any adult meal. You need to be a Stripes reward member to redeem this offer.

YATES Halifax Monday to Friday 12noon – 5pm children eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult meal. Further info can be found [HERE](#)

Please note - Terms and Conditions apply to all offers, individual stores offers may vary


Family Hubs
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FREE FOOTBALL SESSION

SATURDAY 15TH JUNE 2024

10AM - 11.30AM

FIELD LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Join us for a kick about, followed by light refreshments
Special trainer from



SPORTZ COACHING

Suitable for children 7 years and under

Dress appropriate for the weather!

Call 01484 386621 to book your place

**CALLING ALL
LOWER VALLEY
DADS/MALE
CARERS!**



LTA
YOUTH

New Courses

Commencing: Sat 1st June
Ages 8 – 11 - 9am – 10am
Ages 5 – 7 - 11am – 12 noon

Commencing: Wed 5th June
Ages 5 – 8 - 4pm – 5pm
Ages 8 – 11 - 5pm – 6pm

6 Weeks Courses / £29.99 + £5 P&P

LTA Youth Start

Park Tennis Club, Brighouse, HD6 2JA

LTA
YOUTH | START

Kit bundle included

When you book your course, we will send you an LTA Youth Start kit bundle, which includes

- A tennis racket
- A set of balls
- A branded t-shirt
- A pair of wristbands



Note: kit design may vary

Need more information?

Margaret Bottomley
eMail: infoparktennisclub@gmail.com
Phone: 07778 523867

To view all available courses, visit :
<http://clubspark.lta.org.uk/parktennisclub/coaching>



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