

St Andrew's Newsletter



Spring Term 6
15th February 2019

Yesterday our Junior Road Safety Officers attended a conference at Brunel University. They took part in a number of fun, educational activities and had to present a pitch in the style of Dragon's Den about road safety and what our school could do to raise awareness and promote safe parking, driving behaviours and other potential initiatives. I am delighted to say that we won the top prize of £450, to be spent on High Visibility jackets for all the children in the school. Well done to the JRSOs and thank you to Miss Brooks for accompanying them on the day.

Welcome and Farewell

This week we welcomed Miss Amanda Lal to our school. She will be teaching in Year 5 while Miss Whitley is on Maternity Leave. We are very excited to have her with us – all the way from New Zealand. Last Friday the staff and children presented Miss Whitley with cards and gifts for her new growing family. We all wish her all the very best as she takes a few days to rest and prepare before the arrival of the new baby. Of course we will let you know as soon as baby arrives.



Questionnaires

The draw took place this week and the winning family is the Nash family (Reception and Year 2). Congratulations! Please come to the office to collect your £20 Intu Voucher which was kindly donated by the Parents' Council.

Mrs Hopkins

After more than 12 years working at St. Andrew's CofE Primary School, Mrs Hopkins has sadly decided to retire and spend more time with her family. Mrs Hopkins began working here as a lunchtime supervisor in 2006 and then became a welfare assistant in 2010. Over the years she has looked after many children throughout the school and provided support, warmth, a listening ear and a cold compress when needed. Mrs Hopkins' last day at St. Andrew's will be Friday 1st March. We all wish her the very best for the future and thank her for her valuable contributions over the years.

Breakfast Club and After School Club

<https://www.schoolfriendclub.com/our-clubs-1/st-andrews-c-of-e-primary-school/>

Please register and sign up online.

Netball and Football

Results:

Netball – Oak Farm Juniors 13 St. Andrew's 3
Football – Heathrow Primary 4 St. Andrew's 0

Fixtures:

Netball – Thursday 28th February Hermitage v St. Andrew's 4pm (Away)
Saturday 2nd March – UDSPA Girls' Netball Rally at Ryefield 9am – 12pm
Football – Wednesday 27th February St. Andrew's v Laurel Lane 4pm (Home)

Important Dates

18th to 22nd February – Half Term

Tuesday 26th February – Parents' Evening 4-6:30pm

Art Exhibition in hall

Thursday 28th February – Parents' Evening 5-8pm

Art Exhibition in hall

Wednesday 6th March – Year 2 trip to Ruislip Synagogue

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day

Saturday 9th March – The Friends Quiz Night

11th to 15th March – The Friends Mothers' Day shopping in school

Friday 15th March – Comic Relief

Tuesday 19th March – Choir at Proms Praise at the Royal

Albert Hall

Monday 25th March – Mums in School Day

Thursday 4th April – Orchestra Assembly to Parents 9am

Merit Awards

EYFS – David, Mia, Malachi

Year 1 – The Whole Class

Year 2 – Dolcie

Year 3 – Mia, Dylan, Jaxon, Ethan

Year 4 – Gabriella, Xavier

Year 6 – Deolu, Wisdom

Well done to all!

Class Assemblies

Year 2 – Friday 8th March

Year 1 – Friday 15th March

Reception – Friday 22nd March

World Book Day and Comic Relief

On Thursday 7th March we will be celebrating World Book Day in school. We will not be dressing up in costumes, but will be organising some fun activities in school to celebrate a love of reading.

On Friday 15th March it is Comic Relief. We will not be asking for any charitable donations on this occasion. However, if children wish to wear any of the official Comic Relief merchandise on this day as a way to acknowledge the important work that Comic Relief do, then this will be absolutely fine.

Anti-Bullying

This week in school the children have been learning all about what Bullying is and isn't. They have been celebrating friendships and the positive ways they can interact and care for each other through completing poetry and art activities. Ask your child to explain to you what they have learned.

How to help your child succeed – Talk by Valsa Koshy

Wednesday 6th March at 3:40pm in the School Hall. Spaces still available. Please send your reply slips to the office.

This afternoon we celebrated the end of our 150th Anniversary topic by holding a whole school afternoon tea. This is something that the Victorians invented. Thank you to the Friends and Parents' Council for their help in serving traditional sandwiches and cups of tea to all the children.

Nicola Edwards

