



St Andrew's Newsletter

26th February 2021

Growing and learning together with God

It has been lovely this week to see the signs of Spring and the signs of hope around us. The daffodils, crocuses and snowdrops are pushing their way through and reminding us that there are brighter things on the horizon.

On Monday evening, the Prime Minister confirmed that all Primary School pupils will be expected to return to full time on site schooling from Monday March 8th. I will send a formal letter on Monday to confirm arrangements and procedures, but it will be broadly similar to the return to full opening in September.

Since the beginning of January almost all St. Andrew's staff have been on site in school every day, working hard to provide the on and off site provision. I am so very grateful to them for their flexibility and support both to me and to all of you through this very unsettling time. They have learned new skills just as the children have in terms of using Sways and Portfolios. All staff have also learned how to take lateral flow tests twice a week since the start of term. Now we are all working to get things ready for all the pupils to return, and very much looking forward to seeing everyone again.

Our value for this half term is Resilience:

Resilience is the capacity/ability to recover quickly from difficulties and tough situations.

Proverbs 3 verse 5-6 says:

'Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Never rely on what you think you know. Remember the Lord in everything you do, and he will show you the right way.'

Merit Awards

Nursery – Carissa, Kenda

Reception – Bill, Joshua Y, Henry

Year 1 – Charlie, Maya S, Serena

Year 2 – Emory, Katrin, Samuel, Neriah

Year 3 – Toben, Matthias, Thomas

Year 4 – Isla, Ghina, Fergal

Year 5 – Abigail, Jaxon, Ethan

Year 6 – Isabella J, Gabriela, Iren

Well done to everyone!

Important Dates

1st to 5th March – Bible Festival Week

8th March – All pupils return to school on site

8th to 12th March – Wellbeing for Education Week

Wednesday 31st March 1:30pm – End of Spring Term

Thursday 1st April – Teacher Training Day – School closed to all pupils

2nd to 18th April – Easter Holidays

Monday 19th April – Start of Summer Term

Friends' Updates

Mothers' Day Gift Bags: The deadline for ordering these is 7th March, but please do order as soon as possible before stocks run out.

Please see the flyer sent out on Dojo, and order on ParentPay. Thanks

Welcome

This week Muhammed joined our Year 3 class. We are looking forward to meeting him and his family in person soon, and hope they will all enjoy their time here at St. Andrew's.

Parents Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended their Virtual Parents' Evening session. I have heard from staff that many of the discussions were really useful in terms of supporting the children when they return to school, and gauging how the children are making progress in different areas.

Sadly, there were 47 appointments missed across the 2 nights! Many of these with no notice or explanation, which is really very frustrating. Staff have worked really hard to prepare their forms and send out the invitations, and it is actually very bad manners to just not turn up on time. Of course we do understand where families had genuine emergencies or internet problems, and thank those of you who sent a message via Dojo or via the school office to explain and to reschedule.

If you are reading this and you did not attend your Parents' Evening appointment, then please contact the class teacher via Dojo to arrange a phone call. Our home school agreement states that it is parents' responsibility to attend these meetings, and during these very challenging times, it is even more important than ever that we all work together to support our children.

Hillingdon Adult Learning Course

Preparing your child to return to school after lockdown – online course.

The local authority are running a 3 week course for parents via Google Meet.

About the course:

The intent of this course is to gain more knowledge, aimed at parents who would like some guidance about how to prepare their children for returning to school after lockdown.

The course will look at anxieties, routines, social skills, keeping safe, school readiness. Help Parents/carers by providing strategies to support their children.

Please see the flyer sent out with this newsletter.



St Andrew's School Bible Festival

1st – 5th March 2021

We have an exciting week planned. Our Bible festival theme week will give children the opportunity to learn about the Big story of the Bible. They will watch and listen to many stories shared by members of our school community and the wider Parish of Uxbridge. They will also be taking part in creative lessons linked to the Bible stories, Godly play sessions as well as a Zoom session with a member of the clergy.

We have had over 20 videos sent to us from members of the Parish and our parent community. Thank you so much to everyone who has recorded a Bible Story for us. We are looking forward to sharing these with the children next week via the Sways and in class. The children will also be making class banners for display around the school.

Vacancies

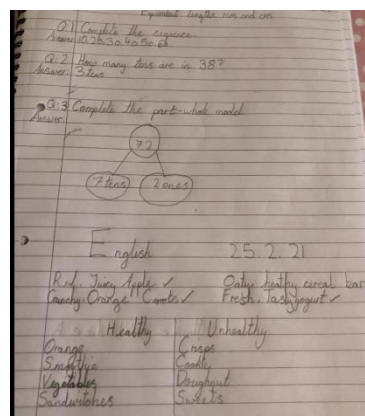
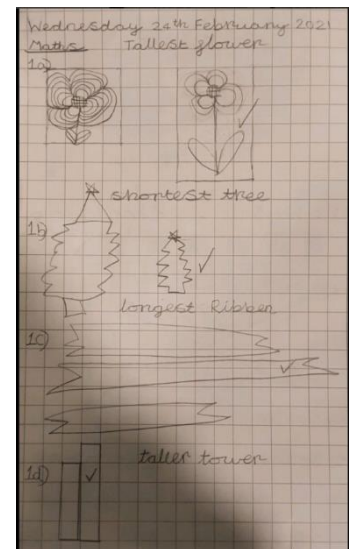
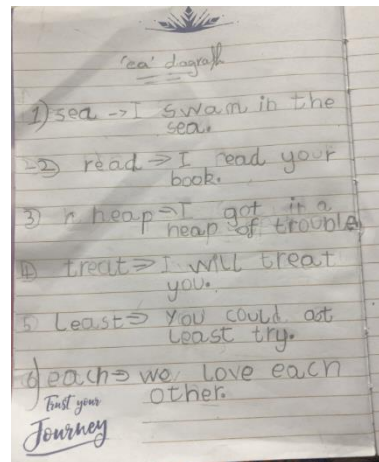
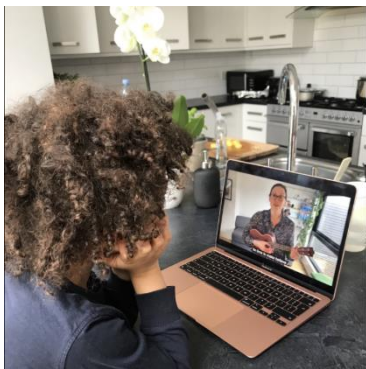
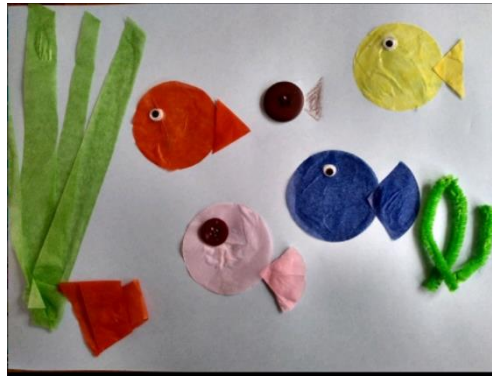
We are looking for a new Cleaner to join our team!

Start Date: 19th April 2021, or sooner if possible

Hours: 3.30pm – 5.30pm Monday to Friday, 38 weeks plus INSET days and 5 days during holidays

Scale 1 – £20,658 - £21,030 pa (£5,057 - £5,148 pa pro rata)

Please see further details on our website using this [link](#).



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English

Vitamins and minerals help our body in lots of different ways.

They help our eyesight, immune system, heal wounds and keep all our cells healthy.

They help our bodies grow and stay healthy.

Healthy foods are sources of vitamins, minerals, calcium, protein and fiber.

Vitamins and minerals are an important part of a healthy diet because they perform a hundred of roles in our body.

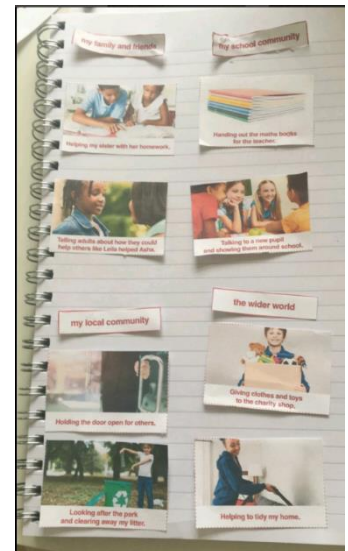
Thursday 25th February 2021

LO: To plan a persuasive letter

Lesson 6 of 10

I think Homework should be banned because students do enough work at school.

Point	Uniform is cheaper for parents and carers.
Explanation	Because school uniform has a plain design.
Proof	Every child needs school uniform.
Summary	Uniform is cheaper for parents and carers to buy because every child that goes to school has uniform.



Photos from our Zoom Assembly
this morning.

Take care,

Nicola Dallibar