



# St Andrew's Newsletter

20<sup>th</sup> September 2019

## Growing and learning together with God

The Autumn term is continuing brilliantly across the school. All classes are now delving into their new topics and the children are really enjoying learning about the Vikings, the Stone Age, the Mayans, Kings and Queens, India and the North and South Poles. Curriculum maps and presentations from the Meet the Teacher meetings have been sent out via Class Dojo and will be uploaded on our website next week.

We had a visit from our Local Authority Adviser this week too. She was very impressed with how well all the children have settled in to their new classes, and how hard they were working when she visited classes on Tuesday.



### Clubs

All clubs began this week. We had Football, Tag Rugby, Gymnastics, Phonics, Scrapbooking and Baking, Winter Multi Sports, Computing, Dance, Choir, Orchestra, French, Recorder, Netball and Judo. Wow! What a huge variety of opportunities for our children.

If you are still interested in signing up to a club, then places may still be available. Check on ParentPay or contact Get Active Sports directly via the website.

### Class Assemblies

11<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5

8<sup>th</sup> November – Year 3

22<sup>nd</sup> November – Year 6

6<sup>th</sup> December – Year 4

All are Fridays at 9am in the school hall

### Parent Governor

We are looking for a Parent Governor to join the Governing Body. If you are interested in being involved in the strategic development of the school and would like more information about what it means to be a governor, then please pop in to the school office and collect an application pack. Experience in Finance would be desirable.

Please do contact the school office if you have any questions or want to talk to any of the existing governors about what the role entails.

**Closing date for applications is  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

### Breakfast Club and After School Club

Book online at

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

Register online now and sign up for sessions before and/or after school.

### Phonics Workshops

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October Mrs Biddle and Miss Iqbal will be running Phonics Workshops for all EYFS and KS1 parents.

Please come along to find out all about the Letters and Sounds programme that we use, and to find out about different games and strategies you can use to support your children at home with their early reading skills.

9am or 2:30pm in the school hall.

### Important Dates

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Macmillan Coffee Morning

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – School Eucharist (Years 1 to 6) 9:30am St. Margaret's

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Phonics Workshops 9am and 2:30pm

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Festival 9am at School

### 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October – Individual and sibling photos  
Parents' Evening 4 – 6pm

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Parents' Evening 5 – 8pm

### Piano Plea!

Does anyone have a second hand piano that they no longer use? If so, please let us know. We would dearly love a better piano in our Music Room. Contact Mrs Hymns via Class Dojo or the school office. Thanks.

### Merit Awards

Reception – Sophia B, Eliora, Mohammed

Year 1 – Royce, Liana

Year 2 – Cooper, Tiana

Year 3 – Ghina, Jared, Fergal

Year 4 – Harrison, Yambutso, Soliana

Year 5 – Habib, Isabella P, Iren

Year 6 – Allegra, Paige, Ryan, Mia, Rebekah

Well done to all!



### Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September the Parents' Council will be hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning at 9am in the school hall. They would like donations of cakes for the event. Tea and coffee will be served and all parents and carers are invited to come in to school after drop off and enjoy the refreshments, in return for a small donation to Macmillan Cancer Care.

At 3:30pm, any remaining cakes will be available outside the EYFS classrooms for parents, carers and children to enjoy; again in return for a small donation to Macmillan.

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