



St Andrew's Newsletter

25th September 2020

Growing and learning together with God

As the Autumn Term is now underway, we are finding that the children are now quite familiar with the new routines and expectations. As is quite typical for this time of year, some of the children have begun to test the boundaries and to question some of the rules and guidelines. Teaching staff have had to issue some Amber and Red cards this week and last week.

Our Behaviour Policy is much the same as it was last year. We have added a few additional points that relate to Covid-19, but otherwise our traffic light system is still in use across school. Just to remind you, when a child is given an Amber Card, this will be recorded on Class Dojo – for our use only. We will not routinely notify parents of anything leading to an Amber Card. The child will have a short time out and then return to their work. However, if a child is given a Red Card then parents will be informed, the child will spend some time out with either me or Miss Lawrence, and they will also miss their Golden Time on a Friday. You can find a copy of our Behaviour Policy and the Covid-19 Addendum on our website at <http://www.standrewscofeprimary.co.uk/about/policies.php>



Head Boy and Head Girl

Thomas and Isabella P are the Head Boy and Head Girl for 2020-2021.

Congratulations to them both!

They were voted for by members of the staff team, and although their role may be slightly different this year due to Covid-19 restrictions, I am certain that they will lead and represent the school brilliantly.

Well done.

Merit Awards

Nursery – Lucy, Willow

Reception – Kenny, Bill, Olivia

Year 1 – Maya A, Sofia T, Mohammed

Year 2 – Teddie, Elias, Chloe

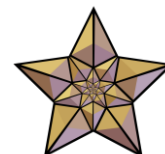
Year 3 – Daisy, Cooper

Year 4 – Dolcie, Daniel

Year 5 – Jessica, Yambutso

Year 6 – Gabrielle, Austin

Well done to all!



After School Club

Please sign up for the Get Active After School Care which we hope to start on October 5th.

Here is the link to register and book your children in for after school care.

<https://getactivesportsuk.coordinate.cloud/vent/87438>

The Pantry – Census Day

You should have seen the menus sent out for next week from The Pantry.

They are having a favourites week for Reception and KS1, and a Pantry picnic for KS2 on Thursday. This is all part of Census Day where schools have to record the number of meals ordered. The more meals ordered, the greater the amount of money we receive from the local authority, so if your child has not tried the food before, or does not usually order from The Pantry, please consider ordering lunch for them on Thursday as this will really help our school budget. Thanks.

Outdoor Learning Grant

We are delighted to announce that we have been awarded a Local School Nature Grant, thanks to players of the People's Postcode Lottery. Our pupils will be benefitting from LTL Membership, a catapult, a Grow to Cook kit, a wildlife camera and Easi-scopes which will be used to support and develop our curriculum to improve teaching outside. In addition staff will receive training to help children learn outdoors. Pupils played an important role in applying for the grant and selected equipment that they felt would benefit their peers. The project is run by Learning through Landscapes and funded by Postcode Local Trust, which receives funding from players of People's Postcode Lottery.



Welcome New Pupils

This week we have welcomed some new families to St. Andrew's.

We have welcomed Kenda in Nursery, Alex, Ranveer and Teddie in Year 2, Tallulah in Year 3 and Miley in Year 6.

It is always lovely meeting new families and I hope they will be very happy here as part of the St. Andrew's family.

Important Dates

w/c 12th October – Assessment Week

Thursday 15th October – Harvest Celebration

Monday 19th October – RE Day

Tuesday 20th October – Individual Photos

26th - 30th October – Half Term

w/c 2nd November – E-Safety Week

Tuesday 3rd November – Parents' Evening Online

Thursday 5th November – Parents' Evening Online

More details will be sent out about some of these events over the coming weeks via Dojo or ParentPay.

Lockdown Project

You may remember that at the end of the summer term I mentioned on the newsletter that we would like to create some displays in school of the wonderful work children carried out during the lockdown period.

Thanks to the wonder of technology, we were able to see a huge variety of photos and videos of all the wonderful things the children did at home, such as baking, gardening, DIY, sewing, making things, painting, decorating, as well as lots of academic activities.

Please can each child choose 1 example of something they are most proud of from the work they did during the lockdown period. They can bring 1 piece in to school next week so we can start to create some displays around school. This could be a piece of writing, a photograph of something they made, or a life-size example. Each item will go into quarantine before being put on display. We ask that each child only brings 1 item each at this stage please. Thank you.

A new hospital in Hillingdon

The Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has announced plans to build a new hospital in Hillingdon.

As anyone who has visited the hospital will realise, the current Hillingdon Hospital is an old building. The maze-like layout makes it difficult to get around and the condition of buildings can make the experience of being in hospital more difficult.

They have an ambitious plan to build a new hospital by 2025 and very much want to hear from everyone who has an interest in the hospital, to ensure that plans consider their ideas and aspirations.

More detail about the plans and a short survey can be found online: <https://thh.nhs.uk/redevelopment/>

Have a good weekend!

Nicola Dallibar