

ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday, 12th January 2024

Value for January: Compassion



Compassion is a feeling of deep sympathy for another who is affected by misfortune or suffering; coupled with a powerful desire to alleviate that pain.

Teaching children compassion is a vital part of their childhood learning journey – and a skill that will help them throughout their life.

Through learning the importance of compassion, children will learn how to be kind to themselves, others and help those in need.

"Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a harder battle," Plato

"The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion," Psalms 116:5

A New Term & A New Year

Happy New Year to all of our families. Welcome back to a new term which is significantly shorter than the Autumn term. On behalf of all the staff, we wish to thank you for your generous gifts and cards received before the holidays – it is nice to feel so appreciated!



Free Bike Checks - Extended dates

Due to the success of the Dr Bikes in December in Barnet's car parks, particularly among parents/carers and children, there has been demand to continue these into the new year. The Local Authority will continue to run these through January, February and March at the following locations/dates/times on a rotating basis each month:

Location Name	Location Description	Date	Time
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs outside Middlesex University opposite Babington Rd NW4 4BT	17/01/2024	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	24/01/2024	4pm to 7pm
Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	31/01/2024	4pm to 7pm
Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	07/02/2024	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs outside Middlesex University opposite Babington Rd NW4 4BT	14/02/2024	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	21/02/2024	4pm to 7pm
Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	28/02/2024	4pm to 7pm
Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	06/03/2024	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs outside Middlesex University opposite Babington Rd NW4 4BT	13/03/2024	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	20/03/2024	4pm to 7pm
Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	27/03/2024	4pm to 7pm

The free Dr Bike sessions will be run by qualified bicycle mechanics. Members of the public can take along their bicycles to have a free, full safety check, which includes the condition of tyres, rims, gears, brake function and tyre pressure and adjustments can be made if required, all for free.

Our Link with St Andrew's Church

Please join us this Sunday, 14th January for our Parish Communion at 10am. Please join us for coffee in the Parish Hall after the service. All are welcome!

After School Club

Please be aware that the After School Club team does not have access to the office email account. Therefore, if you are giving permission for another adult to pick your child up from the club, please inform the office BEFORE 3:15pm. After this time, please phone the school number and select the option to be put through to the After School Club to pass on your message.

Dates for your diary

Want to make sure you know about all upcoming events? Why not link your smart phone/tablet to our school website calendar? It's really easy to do and means you instantly are informed of everything that's coming up.



Stars of the week



Well done to **all** of our pupils for another fantastic week here at St Andrew's **A special well done to our stars of the week**:

Week ending 12th January

Reception	Benji – for creating a lovely Stick Man from our story. Well done! Alexander – for drawing a lovely picture about your holiday news. Well done!
Year 1	Ezra – for being enthusiastic and trying your best in Guided Reading. Keep it up! Rugayyah – for an excellent setting description using interesting adjectives. Well done!
Year 2	Maya – for imaginative predictions about what happens next in a story. Eva – for being a really brilliant working partner this week!
Year 3	Diaan – for making mature, thoughtful contributions to our class discussions Krish – for effort and an enthusiastic attitude in French
Year 4	Jagger – for working hard to demonstrate your understanding of multiplication and division word problems. Sophia I – for having a fantastic attitude towards your learning and trying your best in each lesson.
Year 5	Mark – an excellent start to the Spring term and trying your best in class. Rojhat – being an enthusiastic learner and always keeping spirits high in the classroom!
Year 6	Elise – for starting the term with confidence and excellent contributions in lessons. Well done! Charles – for having a positive attitude in all lessons and being supportive of your peers. Keep it up!

What's happening this half term

Tuesday 16th January – PTA strategy meeting in the school library 8pm

Friday 19th January – Year 1 Toy workshop in school

Monday 22nd January – St Andrew's Boys vs Trent football match 3:45pm

Tuesday 23rd January – St Andrew's Girls vs Whitings Hill football match 3:15pm

Monday 29th January – St Andrew's Netball vs Christ Church at Foulds school 2:45pm

Wednesday 31st January – Year 2 trip to Pudding Lane (Great Fire of London topic)

Thursday 1st February – St Andrew's Netball vs Underhill 3:10 pick up

Wednesday 7th February – Year 5 London Eye and River Cruise trip

Wednesday 7th February – Year 6 Egyptian Day in the hall

Thursday 8th February – Firefighters to visit Reception class

Friday 9th February – Y4 Roman Day in the hall

Monday 12th – Start of Half Term holiday