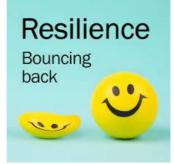


## ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday, 15th March 2024

#### Value for March: Resilience



In an ideal world, we'd all be living in a stress free environment where our future is fully mapped out for us. Unfortunately, that is not how life works, and there will be times when blips happen. When these do, it is important that we have the necessary resilience to be able to 'bounce back' from this adversity. Building children's resilience can help give them the tools they need to navigate stressful situations. When children have the skills and confidence to confront and work through problems, they learn that they have what it takes to tackle difficult issues. The more they manage on their own, the more they believe they are strong and capable. Even the most resilient of children will have days when it all becomes too much for them, and they will have their own ways of showing when these demands become too much. Educators and parents can help children build resilience and confront uncertainty by teaching them to solve problems independently.

"Though the righteous fall seven times, they rise again..." Proverbs 24:16

"Failure is an important part of your growth and developing resilience. Don't be afraid to fail," Michelle Obama "Do not judge me by my success, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again," Nelson Mandela

#### **Comic Relief**

Thank you to everyone who wore non uniform and gave a donation to Comic Relief. All together, the school has raised £269 which will be sent to Comic Relief later today.



#### **Local Charity – Sebby's Corner**



Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter. Donations required are: Boys trainers/boots/wellies; changing mats; playmats; bouncers; baby baths; travel cots. Please see details on flyer if you have items to donate.

## Year 5 Dance Festival



This week, Year 5 went to the Arts Depot to participate in the Barnet Dance Festival. After months of preparation, they danced to a song called 'I Believe'. The entire day, from the on-stage rehearsals to the main performance in the evening, was fantastic! The children performed brilliantly! Their energies were high, the crowd (especially the Y5 parents) were cheering along and the children pushed through their nerves to put on an unforgettable performance.

Well done, Year 5. You are an un-'BELIEVE'-able dance crew!

#### **Infant Parents Maths Workshop**

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend today's Maths workshop with our Barnet Maths Advisor, Sara Tilley. The feedback we received was that everyone found it highly informative and useful. We hope to offer similar to parents in other year groups in the near future.





## Reminder – please pre-book your child's lunch by Thursday each week

Please remember to pre-book your child's lunch choice by Thursday evening for the following week. The current menu runs up until the end of this term (Easter holidays) so you can even pre-book several weeks in advance. Pupils who have not pre booked will be automatically allocated a vegetarian meal (green band).



#### **Our Link with St Andrew's Church**

Please join us this Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> March, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, for our Parish Communion at 10am.

Please join us for coffee in the Parish Hall after the service. All are welcome!

Lenten Conversations continue this Sunday at 5pm...

Please also see the flyer regarding services over Holy Week.

## **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 ASC.

#### 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 15th March

Reception	<b>Blake</b> – for making great choices and showing maturity in your play and working really hard in phonics.
	<b>Joshua</b> – for being really helpful and kind to your friends and teachers. You have
	also contributed interesting facts during space discussions.
Year 1	Lexi – for a fantastic effort in PE. Your gymnastics were amazing! Keep it up!
	Oscar – for excellent Science. You were able to describe the weather using our key
	words – well done!
Year 2	<b>Cristina</b> – for creating an outstanding flyer in English using persuasive language.
	<b>Ryan</b> – for widening his friendships and being kind to his learning partners.
Year 3	Gabi – For excellent comprehension work – you use perseverance and care to
	source your answers.
	<b>Theo I</b> – Making super progress in Maths – keep it up!
Year 4	<b>Laura</b> - for her excellent effort and outstanding performances in our poetry lessons.
	Max - for working hard to demonstrate your understanding of decimals and making
	links to our work on fractions.
Year 5	Year 5 – for an epic Dance Festival performance! You all worked brilliantly as a
	team. Well done!
Year 6	Louis – for excellent discussions in PSHE this week. Keep it up!
	<b>Dylan</b> – for being an excellent learning partner and sharing your ideas. Well done!

## What's happening this half term

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Boys football vs All Saints 2:30pm collection time Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Cross Country competition at Oak Hill Park Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March – PTA 'Bunny Bounce' competition Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March – PTA eggs in jar competition Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March – PTA Easter bonnet competition Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Lent Service at St Andrew's Church 9:30am

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – End of school term 1:30pm finish for all

# Holy Week at St. Andrew's Totteridge



Palm Sunday, 24th March

10.00am - Parish Communion

5.00pm - Choral Evensong

6.00pm - Stations of the Cross

# Monday 25th March

11.00am - Reflection for Holy Week

# Maundy Thursday, 28th March

7.30pm - Eucharist of the Last Supper

# Good Friday, 29th March

10am - Walk of Witness from Totteridge Stn. to Church

12-1.30pm - Church is open for quiet prayer

1.30pm - Meditations of the Cross

2.30pm - The Liturgy of Good Friday & Holy Communion

# Holy Saturday, 30th March

9am - A quiet service of prayer & reflection

8pm – Easter Vigil, the first Eucharist of Easter

# Easter Day, Sunday 31st March

10.00am - Easter Family Communion

