



ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday, 19th April 2024

Value for April: Forgiveness



"I forgive you," is the most powerful phrase you can teach a child, because Christians believe that forgiving others is the key to getting into the Kingdom of God. In the Bible, Jesus demonstrates forgiveness several times especially in the events leading up to Easter: he forgave the best friends who betrayed him; he forgave the religious leaders who riled up a crowd against him, and those who mocked him during his most painful moments on the cross.

We recognise that Forgiveness is not easy and we will be reflecting on how we can ask for and receive Forgiveness this month. Asking for Forgiveness and granting it can help both people to feel better.

"Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses." Mark 11:25

"Forgiveness says you are given another chance to make a new beginning," Desmond Tutu

"To err is human, to forgive divine," Alexander Pope

Summer Term is Here

We know the current temperatures would suggest that it's not summer just yet, but we are now into the third and final term of the school year. It's wonderful to be travelling to and from school in daylight once again!

Pupils now have the option of wearing summer uniform if they wish which is grey shorts for boys; navy checked summer dresses/navy tailored shorts for girls. The current temperatures may delay summer uniform being worn at present.

This is a busy time of year with class assemblies, class trips, PTA events etc so please ensure you keep up to date with all communication we send out.



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. This is a new menu and the new dishes that have been introduced this week have had good feedback from the children and staff – a new favourite is the lemon and garlic chicken! The new menu runs up until the end of this term (Summer 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, 21st April (4th Sunday of Easter) for our Parish Communion at 10am. Please join us for coffee in the Parish Hall after the service. All are welcome! If you have a travel coffee cup, please do bring along to use.

Lunchtime & After School Extra Curricular Clubs

We try to offer a wide range of extra-curricular clubs and activities for parents to sign their children up for but some are unfortunately having to cancel due to low numbers of pupils signing up. Unfortunately, the club leaders cannot afford to run these clubs at a financial loss which is a shame. If you are interested in joining any clubs, please sign up to them promptly so that the club leaders can see if they are financially viable to run. Less clubs running also means less money topping up our school budget from lack of lettings income.

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 19th April

Reception	Bella – for always being kind and considerate and super helpful to your friends and teachers. Well done! Malia – for a wonderful piece of writing about ‘what is precious to you’ in RE. Well done!
Year 1	Susie – for a fantastic attitude to learning this week! You have been focused and ready to learn. Keep it up! Harry – for challenging yourself with tricky Maths puzzles! Well done!
Year 2	Mia – for a brilliant written note in character. Micah – for excellent maths work on 2D shape this week.
Year 3	Juho – for being a conscientious, focused learner in all areas of the curriculum. Teddy – for speaking with clarity and excellent expression.
Year 4	Aashay - for having an excellent attitude to learning and giving 100% in each lesson. Piper - for writing an excellent, detailed character description of Fern from Charlotte's Web.
Year 5	Mahe – for taking extra care when drawing and measuring angles in Maths. Daphne – for an eye-catching research poster on earthquakes. Well done!
Year 6	Lusiana – for excellent engagement and participation in Cricket! Well done! Nosa – for excellent recall of key facts about angles in Maths. Well done!

What's happening this half term

Monday 22nd April – Y5/Y6 Safer Schools Talk from PC Redworth

Tuesday 23rd April – PTA parent workshop on headaches/migraines online 7:30pm

Friday 26th April – Y5 DT Sewing workshop in class

Friday 26th April – PTA uniform sale after school

Tuesday 30th April – Online safety workshop for parents 9-10am

Tuesday 30th April – Online safety workshops for pupils

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday School closed

Wednesday 8th May – Year 3 class assembly 9:05am

Thursday 9th May – Year 6 Residential trip meeting for Y6 parents 9am and 3pm (attend only one)

Friday 10th May – PTA book sale after school

Monday 13th May – Year 6 SATs week begins

Friday 17th May – Primary Athletics Tournament at Stone X Stadium

Monday 20th May – School Photographer in (class photos)

Tuesday 21st May – Year 2 class assembly 9:05am

Wednesday 22nd May – Year 3 trip to Barnet Museum

Wednesday 22nd May – Year 5 trip to Natural History Museum

Thursday 23rd May – Open Evening for current parents 5-7pm