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## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Our Value this half term is **SERVICE**

### Year 5 'Come and See' Maths in Action morning



Thank you to the parents who came along to see 'maths in action' in Year 5 just before half term. This was a wonderful opportunity for Mrs Campbell and the children to show how much fun maths can be by carrying out a range of practical tasks.

### Knives and Forks

Mrs Dimond and Ms Walton are giving out special stickers to anyone who uses both their knife and fork correctly at lunchtimes. This is a requirement for all of our Early Years children as well as an important life skill for all. Please help us by supporting this at home.



### Euro 2024 Speed Kick Challenge Sponsorship forms

We are looking forward to our Euro 2024 Speed Kick Challenge on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024. There is not long left now for the children to get as many sponsors as they can before the big day. Sponsorship forms were given out just before half term. Please pop into the office if you need another. All money raised will be shared between the school and our Pupil Parliament's choice of charity which is the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.

### Our Year 6's having a fabulous time this week



## Pupil Premium/Free School Meals – Reception, Y1 and Y2

The school is aware that with the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) programme automatically providing all children up to the end of Year 2 with a free meal every day, many families do not apply for means-tested free school meal provision until their child reaches Year 3. This **could mean parents are missing out on other sources of support they are entitled to**, linked to household income and the benefits of associated pupil premium funding. Please see link below to check eligibility:

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>



As part of our ongoing effort to become more environmentally friendly we are starting a 'reduce, reuse and recycle' section here in the newsletter. Please consider donating your items to school if you have a Summer clear-out.

## Our School Development Plan

### **School Development Priorities – St Andrew's three main priorities 2023-2024:**

- 1 For pupils to play a more active role in their learning journey – including a greater awareness of their own progress towards the end points for each subject.
- 2 To improve children's emotional literacy across the school, to help them articulate their feelings positively.
- 3 To improve the school's carbon footprint and the children's understanding of creating a more sustainable future.

Mrs Dimond looks forward to sharing our progress against these priorities at the end of each term.

## Diary Dates 2024

**\*\* Parents and carers are invited to the events that are highlighted \*\***

Tuesday & Wednesday 11&12/06/2024 – Someone Special Shop (PTA)

Tuesday, 11/06/2024 – Year 2 Collective Worship

Wednesday, 12/06/2024 – Premier Education's Euro 2024 Speed Kick Challenge

Thursday, 13/06/2024 – 'Changing Me' PSHE talk for Year 4, 5 & 6 Parents and Carers (Mrs Dimond and Mrs Small)

Tuesday, 18/06/2024 – Year 1 Collective Worship

Tuesday, 18/06/2024 - Year 3 and Year 4 Museum Trip to Cambridge

Tuesday, 18/06/2024 – Drama Club Production '*Beauty and the Beast*'

Wednesday, 19/06/2024 – KS2 Sports Afternoon **\*NEW DATE\***

Tuesday, 25/06/2024 – Year Reception Collective Worship

Wednesday, 26/06/2024 – Diocesan Heart for the Earth filming day

Thursday, 27/06/2024 – Year 5 Colchester Zoo Trip

Friday, 28/06/2024 – PTA Summer Fair

Tuesday, 02/07/2024 – Year Nursery Collective Worship

Tuesday, 02/07/2024 – Early Years Sports Morning from 9.45am

Friday, 05/07/2024 – YR trip to Church Farm Ardeley

Tuesday, 09/07/2024 – YN Pop up Town in school

Tuesday, 09/07/2024 – The Selfish Giant

Thursday, 11/07/2024 – Moving Up Day

Thursday, 11/07/2024 – PTA Quiz Night

Tuesday, 16/07/2024 – KS1 Shepreth Trip

Tuesday, 16/07/2024 – Y5/Y6 Production

Thursday, 18/07/2024 – Y6 Leavers Day

Friday, 19/07/2024 – Last day of term. School finishes at 2 pm.

Wednesday, 25/09/2024 – Friday, 27/09/2024 – Y5 at Aylmerton

02/10/2024 and 03/10/2024 – Photographer – individual and sibling portraits

Monday, 16/12/2024 pm – Pantomime Trip to South Mills Arts Centre – Robin Hood

*(Collective Worship starts at 9.10 am and lasts approximately 20 minutes)*

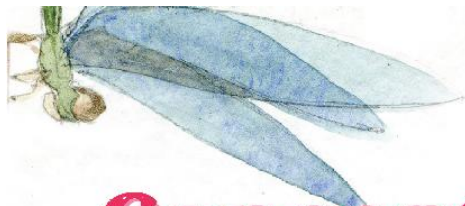
### **Term Dates for 2023/2024**

<b>Summer Term 2024</b>	
<b>Monday, 15 April 2024</b>	<b>Term begins</b>
Monday, 27 May – Friday 31 May 2024	Half term
Monday, 3 June	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
<b>Friday, 19 July 2024</b>	<b>Term ends 2pm</b>
Monday, 22 July 2024	<i>Inset – School closed</i>
Monday, 23 July 2024	<i>Inset – School closed</i>

### **Term Dates for 2024/2025**

<b>Autumn Term 2023</b>	
Monday, 2 September 2024	<i>Inset - school closed</i>
Tuesday, 3 September 2024	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
<b>Wednesday, 4 September 2024</b>	<b>Term begins</b>
Monday, 28 October - Friday 1 November 2024	Half term
Friday, 29 November 2024	<i>Occasional day – school closed</i>
<b>Friday, 20 December 2024</b>	<b>Term ends 2pm</b>
<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	
Monday, 6 January 2025	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
<b>Tuesday, 7 January 2025</b>	<b>Term begins</b>
Monday, 17 February to Friday, 21 February 2025	Half term
<b>Friday, 4 April</b>	<b>Term ends 2pm</b>
<b>Summer Term 2025</b>	
<b>Tuesday, 22 April 2025</b>	<b>Term begins</b>
Monday, 26 May to Friday, 30 May 2025	Half term
Monday, 2 June 2025	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Tuesday, 3 June 2025	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
<b>Wednesday, 23 July 2025</b>	<b>Term ends 2pm</b>





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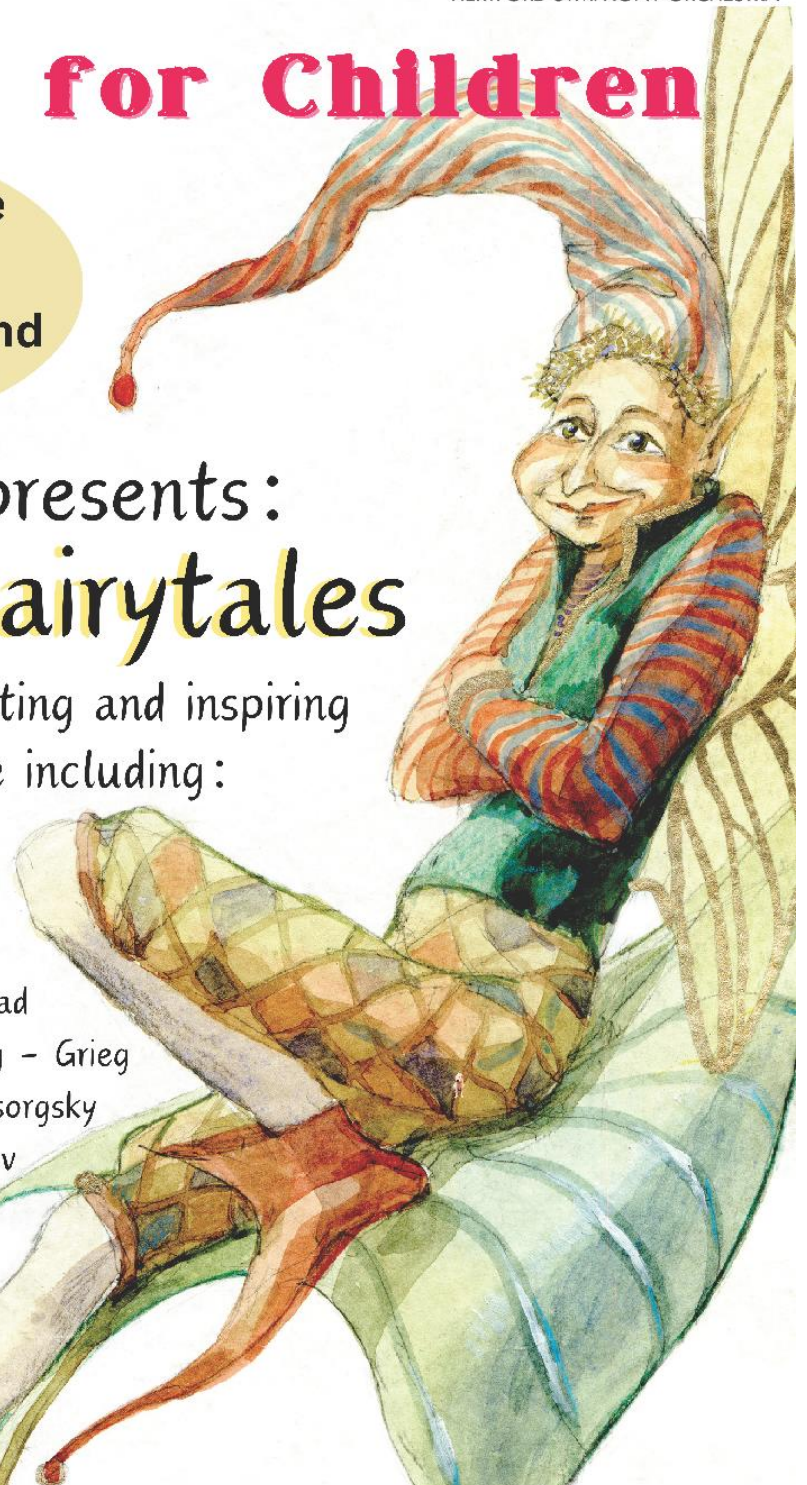
# Concerts for Children

**Sunday 30th June  
2:30pm & 4:15pm  
Drill Hall, Amwell End  
Ware**

## Lucy Drever presents: **Musical Fairytales**

A collection of enchanting and inspiring  
music for young people including:

Hansel and Gretel – Sally Kee  
Firebird – Stravinsky  
Frozen – Lopez arr. Bob Krogstad  
In the Hall of the mountain King – Grieg  
Pictures at an Exhibition – Mussorgsky  
Dance of the Knights – Prokofiev



**Conductor: Jonathan Mann**

**Leader: Emily Groom**

**TICKETS: £12 Adults £6 Students/children  
£34 Family Ticket**

**WeGotTickets.com**

**Hertford Tourist Information Centre (01992 584322)**

**On the Door from 2:15pm**





# TALKING FAMILIES



**Wednesdays 8pm to 9.30pm**  
**Online Course: ID 653**  
**12th June - 17th July 2024**

**NEW  
DATES**

**6, weekly sessions for parents and carers of children aged 0-12 sharing tips on how to:**

- **Manage challenging behaviour with consistency**
- **Encourage positive behaviour**
- **Build your child's self esteem**
- **Set and maintain boundaries**
- **Respond to tantrums and difficult feelings in children**
- **Develop a strong parent/child relationship now and for the future**

**Our online support sessions are delivered weekly via Zoom.**

**Groups are open to parents, carers, grandparents and guardians living, or with a child in school, in Hertfordshire.**

**'Every parent should do this course! It has taught me so much about how to deal with family life.'**

**Booking essential**

**Please quote the course ID**

**To check eligibility and book a place, contact Supporting Links on:**

**07512 709556**

**[bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk](mailto:bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk)**

**[www.supportinglinks.co.uk](http://www.supportinglinks.co.uk)**



These courses are provided free to participants by Hertfordshire County Council's Targeted Parenting Fund



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