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Flotsam Seaside-Themed Day – Thursday, 20th May 2021

Remember to come in holiday clothes tomorrow for our special day for the whole school Flotsam writing project seaside-themed day. Looking at the weather forecast, it may be more sensible to come dressed for a day out in Margate and not a holiday in Marbella!



Emma will also be serving up a special Fish and Chip school lunch.

TikTok Live

We would like to make parents aware of a recent warning from Essex County Council about the number of children uploading videos to TikTok Live whilst in their school uniforms. There are two concerns with this:

- 1) that video footage of children in uniform is being used inappropriately; and
- 2) that children are identifiable through their school logo.

The minimum age for TikTok is 13 years of age. Please warn your children of the dangers around uploading videos of themselves and their friends, however innocent they may appear.

We would like to reassure you that only Years 5 and 6 are allowed to bring their phones into school at St Andrew's and are handed in to their teacher at the beginning of the day.

Lost Engagement Ring

A ring has been handed into the school office. It was found yesterday, outside by the huts. Please contact the school office.

The Friends of St Andrew's School

Here's an easy way to help us raise much needed funds for the school:

TheGivingMachine is a fundraising charity setup to help other charitable causes raise money online. By signing up and shopping online via TheGivingMachine you will generate a free cash donation for us. With over 2,200 of your favourite retailers, including Amazon, Ebay, M&S, Sainsbury, John Lewis & Partners and Waitrose & Partners, you are bound to find what you need and generate a donation.

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<https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/st-andrews-coe-primary-school-friends-of/support>



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Find out how you can raise free online donations for St Andrew's CoE Primary School (Friends of) simply by shopping online with TheGivingMachine.

www.thegivingmachine.co.uk

Also, please make a note of the dates for our upcoming Fathers' Day Secret Gift Shop on:

- Monday, 14th June 2021 for KS1; and
- Tuesday, 15th June 2021 for KS2.

More details to follow nearer the date.

Thank you always for your support.

Class News



As part of our Flotsam whole school project, Year 1 have been getting into sea-themed characters in our Key Stage 1 garden. They have really enjoyed playing in the sand pit, becoming sea creatures in the cave role play and taking part in beach-themed ball games. They have also explored colour and texture in their art, and created their own eye-catching coral reef scene.

Diary Dates

Thursday, 20th May 2021 – Non uniform day (holiday wear ☺ for a potentially rainy day) and fish and chip lunch

Monday, 24th – 28th May 2021 – Y6 Brenscombe trip

Tuesday, 22nd June 2021 (AM) – KS1 Sports Day

Wednesday, 23rd June 2021 (PM) – KS2 Sports Day

Tuesday, 6th July 2021 (AM) – EYFS Sports Day

Wednesday, 14th July 2021 – St Andrew's Garden Centre Grand Opening

Monday, 14 June 2021 - Fathers' Day Secret Gift Shop (lower school)

Tuesday, 15 June 2021 – Fathers' Day Secret Gift Shop (upper school)

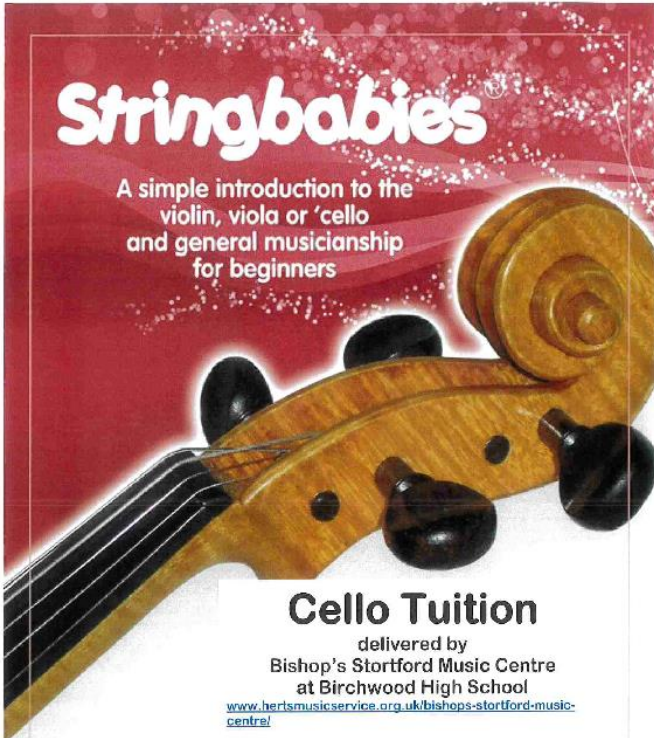
Term Dates for 2020/2021

Summer Term 2021	
Monday, 12 April 2021	Term begins
Monday, 31 May to Friday, 4 June 2021	Half term
Monday, 7 June 2021	Inset – school closed
Tuesday, 20 July 2021	Term ends 2pm
Wednesday, 21 July 2021	Inset – school closed
Thursday, 22 July 2021	Inset – school closed

Term Dates for 2021/2022

Autumn Term 2021	
<i>Wednesday, 1 September 2021</i>	<i>Inset - school closed</i>
Thursday, 2 September 2021	Term begins
Monday, 25 October to Friday, 29 October 2021	Half term
<i>Monday, 1 November 2021</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Friday, 26 November 2021	Occasional day – school closed
Friday, 17 December 2021	Term ends 2pm
Spring Term 2022	
<i>Monday, 3 January 2022</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Tuesday, 4 January 2022	Term begins
Monday, 14 February to Friday, 18 February 2022	Half term
Friday, 1 April 2022	Term ends 2pm
Summer Term 2022	
<i>Tuesday, 19 April 2022</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Wednesday, 20 April 2022	Term begins
Monday, 30 May to Friday, 3 June 2022	Half term
<i>Monday, 6 June 2022</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
Friday, 22 July 2022	Term ends 2pm

School Noticeboard



Stringbabies[®]

A simple introduction to the violin, viola or 'cello and general musicianship for beginners

Cello Tuition
delivered by
Bishop's Stortford Music Centre
at Birchwood High School
www.herts-music-service.org.uk/bishops-stortford-music-centre/

Tuesdays 4:45pm – 5:15pm
Fun and relaxed cello lessons



A fun and rewarding way for very young children (3-5 years old) to learn stringed instruments.

Hertfordshire Music Service and Stringbabies Ltd. are working in partnership to offer a fun and rewarding way for very young children (3-5 years old) to learn stringed instruments.

The Stringbabies programme involves learning an instrument using games, toys and general musical skills. Structured home practice is gradually introduced as the programme proceeds. This will lead to being able to perform well, while confidently sight-reading and composing with conventional music notation.

A typical session will include playing, lots of singing and musical games, all with a strong emphasis on enjoyment!

Benefits of the Stringbabies programme:-

- early Cello playing [obviously!]
- early, confident sight-reading
- composing experience
- singing skills
- aural skills [listening]
- rhythmic skills
- posture, bowing and left-hand skills
- presentation & performance skills

If you would like your child to learn the cello on the Stringbabies programme at Bishop's Stortford Music Centre, we are able to offer lessons in groups of 6 at a cost of £52 per term, with loan of a cello. Please apply by emailing BStortfordMusicenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk
We are planning to start sessions from September 2021.

