



**St Andrew's CE Primary School and Nursery**

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## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Our Value this half term is **COMMUNITY**

### A Great Start Back to School

We are delighted with how the children have come back to school after their summer break. They have been sharing their news of their summer holidays with great excitement. They have enjoyed meeting up with all their friends again and getting to know their new teachers. As you walk around school there is a happy buzz of busy children and it looks set to be a great year.

### Brand New Pupil Parliament

All across the school votes have been cast for the election of the new St Andrew's Pupil Parliament. Cabinet members from Year 2 to Year 6 have been elected for the 4 cabinets:

- Worship, Vision and Values
- Learning and Curriculum
- Premises and Environment
- Health and Wellbeing.

Year 6 have elected the Primary Minister and Deputy who will help Mrs Dimond lead the Pupil Parliament. The Primary Minister is Xanthe ably assisted by James.

Photographs to follow next week.

### 'Meet the Teacher' Meetings

Thank you to everyone who has attended the 'Meet the Teacher' Meetings. They have been very well attended.

A digital copy of the termly class newsletters will be emailed shortly and available on the school website under the tab 'classes'.

Date	Morning (9.00 – 9.30 am)	Afternoon (2.45 – 3.15 pm)
Thursday, 14 Sept	Year 2 – Mrs Handley at 9 am	Year 6 – Miss Broomfield at 2.45 pm
Friday, 15 Sept		Year 4 – Miss Cox at 2.45 pm

### Collection for Reverend Steve's Retirement

If you would like to give a donation towards Reverend Steve's retirement gift please either bring cash or a cheque into the school office or donate via School Gateway. The children will be saying their farewell on Wednesday 20 September during a special collective worship in school and we will present his present from you all then.

## **Reminder about Play Equipment**

Please do not let your children play on any of the outside play equipment before or after school as the school is not insured for this.

## **No Nuts in School Please!**

As we have children in school with severe nut and sesame allergies, please can we remind parents that we are a nut free school – this includes: hummus, pesto, and Nutella. Many thanks.



## **RAAC**

Last year St Andrew's had a detailed survey of our school buildings on behalf of the Diocese. We are pleased to say that no Reinforced Autoclaved Areated Concrete (RAAC) was found. A Government surveyor will also be coming in later this month to confirm this.

## **Uniform Reminder**

### **KS1 and Reception**

- white polo shirt, woollen jumper or cardigan (with or without logo)
- grey trousers, short or skirt/pinafore
- grey or white socks
- black shoes
- Summer - white and blue checked dress may be worn
- PE kit - light blue T-shirt (with or without logo), blue or black shorts or skirts and trainers. A blue, black or grey tracksuit may be worn in colder months
- blue or black hair ties
- no jewellery is preferred - small stud earrings and/or a small cross on a chain may be worn under consideration of loss or injury.

### **KS2**

- white shirt, school tie, woollen jumper or cardigan (with or without logo)
- grey trousers, shorts or skirt/pinafore
- grey or white socks
- black shoes
- Summer - white and blue checked dress may be worn
- PE kit - light blue T-shirt (with or without logo), blue or black shorts or skirts and trainers. A blue, black or grey tracksuit may be worn in colder months
- blue or black hair ties
- no jewellery is preferred - small stud earrings and/or a small cross on a chain may be worn under consideration of loss or injury.

School uniform plays a key role in promoting pride, self-confidence, and a feeling of belonging within the school. These factors contribute to children's wellbeing, removing the additional pressures of deciding what to wear and added stress of meeting the expectations of their peers.

Every effort has been made to minimise the cost of our school uniform and the vast majority can be bought from local supermarkets. We have a small number of book bags (£8) and ties (£5) in school that can be purchased from the office (cash only).

Further information around school uniform can be found on our website: <https://standrews236.herts.sch.uk/parents/school-uniform/>

## School lunches

School lunches are provided free of charge for children in Reception and KS1. For children in KS2 lunches cost £3.20 per day and payment is online via the School Gateway. Please can we remind parents that lunches must be paid for in advance (**pay as you go**) and your account may be frozen if it is in arrears.

<b>WEEK 1</b>				
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
Quorn Burger in a Bun (v)	Beef Bolognese	Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy	Pork Sausages with Gravy	Fishcake
Baked Bean and Cheese Slice (v)	Sweet Potato and Pea Samosa Burrito (Ve)	Roast Quorn Fillet with Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy (v)	Cheese Pinwheel (v)	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (v)
Jacket Potato with Various Toppings	Jacket Potato with Various Toppings	Jacket Potato with Various Toppings	Jacket Potato with Various Toppings	Jacket Potato with Various Toppings
Cream Cheese Sandwich (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)	Ham Sandwich	Tuna Roll	Egg Roll (v)
<b>WEEK 2</b>				
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
Mild Chicken Curry	Veggie Sausages with Gravy (Ve)	Roast Pork with Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy	Beef Burger in a Bun	Battered Fish Fillet
Macaroni Cheese (v)	Sweet Chilli Quorn (v)	Shepherdess Pie (Ve)	Vegetarian Roll (Ve)	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (v)
Jacket Potato with Various Toppings	Jacket Potato with Various Toppings	Jacket Potato with Various Toppings	Jacket Potato with Various Toppings	Jacket Potato with Various Toppings
Tuna Roll	Cream Cheese Sandwich (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)	Ham Sandwich	Egg Roll (v)
<b>WEEK 3</b>				
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
Chicken and Sweetcorn Meatballs with a Tomato Sauce	Chicken Pie	Roast Beef with Gravy	Quorn Hot Dog (v)	Crispy Coated Salmon or Fish Fillet Fingers
Bean and Vegetable Grill (Ve)	Mild Vegetable Curry (Ve)	Potato Topped Vegetable Pie (v)	Beany Pasta Bake (Ve)	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (v)
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## Diary Dates 2023

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

Monday, 11/09/2023 – Daily Mile and clubs start during the week

Monday, 18/09/2023 – Wednesday, 20/09/2023 – Year 5 residential

Wednesday, 20/09/2023 – Farewell to Reverend Steve

Wednesday, 20/09/2023 – Reception class photos by Bishop's Stortford Independent

Wednesday, 4/10/2023 – Individual and Sibling Photos (school uniform please)

Thursday, 5/10/2023 – Individual and Sibling Photos (school uniform please)

**Wednesday, 11/10/2023 – EYFS Come and See Morning - 9.10am until 10.10am**

**Wednesday, 8/11/2023 – Parent Teacher Consultation Evening in school – 3.30pm until 5pm**

**Thursday, 9/11/2023 – Parent Teacher Consultation Evening in school – 3.30pm until 5pm**

Thursday, 16/11/2023 – Vaccination UK Flu immunisation YR-Y6

W/C Monday, 13/05/2023 – Key Stage 2 SATS week

W/C Monday, 3/06/2023 – Brenscombe Week straight after half term (Monday is the INSET day)

## Term Dates for 2023/2024

<b>Autumn Term 2023</b>	
<i>Friday, 1 September 2023</i>	<i>Inset - school closed</i>
<b>Monday, 4 September 2023</b>	<b>Term begins</b>
Monday, 23 October – Friday, 27 October 2023	Half term
<i>Friday, 24 November 2023</i>	<i>Occasional day – school closed</i>
<b>Tuesday, 19 December 2023</b>	<b>Term ends 2pm</b>
<i>Wednesday, 20 December 2023</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
<b>Spring Term 2024</b>	
<b>Thursday, 4 January 2024</b>	<b>Term begins</b>
Monday, 19 February – Friday, 23 February 2024	Half term
<b>Thursday, 28 March 2024</b>	<b>Term ends 2pm</b>
<b>Summer Term 2024</b>	
<b>Monday, 15 April 2024</b>	<b>Term begins</b>
Monday, 27 May – Friday 31 May 2024	Half term
<i>Monday, 3 June</i>	<i>Inset – school closed</i>
<b>Friday, 19 July 2024</b>	<b>Term ends 2pm</b>
<i>Monday, 22 July 2024</i>	<i>Inset – School closed</i>
<i>Monday, 23 July 2024</i>	<i>Inset – School closed</i>

# School Noticeboard



