

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

To strive for respect, enjoyment and excellence for all!

04.01.24

Dear Parents and Carers,



Happy New Year! It was lovely to see so many children arriving at school with huge smiles, clearly looking forward to being back at school. I am sure that some parents and carers were just as pleased too!

Staffing Update

It has been lovely to welcome back Mrs Starkie who is teaching our Nursery children and Miss Gerrard who is teaching our Year 2 children once again until Miss Cregan is well enough to return.

Collective Worship

In our Collective Worship for the next week we are focusing on Epiphany (6th January 2024) and how we can make a difference to others. *“Encourage one another and build each other up.”* 1 Thessalonians 5:11

PE Days

Monday: Y3

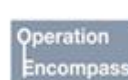
Tuesday: Reception, Y4 (Swimming)

Wednesday: Y5

Thursday: Y2

Friday: Y1, Y6

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We're delighted to let you know that **St Andrews Primary School** has become a member of The National College – a multi-award-winning online training provider for staff and parents.

What does this mean for you?

As part of our membership, The National College provides dedicated training and resources for parents and carers – particularly, around online safety and keeping children safe online.

Online safety advice on any topic

Of course, staff will continue to teach children about the risks online. But with the internet so readily accessible, the most effective approach to online safety needs everyone involved, including parents and carers.

That's why you've now got access to *hundreds of courses, explainer videos and online safety guides* to support your awareness of the online world. Topics range from understanding apps like TikTok and Instagram to recognising the signs of online harm and what you can do to help.

Sign up is easy

Signing up to the platform is simple. Just follow <https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/st-andrew-s-ce-primary-school-3> and complete your details. Once you're set up, you'll be able to choose 'Parent/Carer' as your user type and get instant access to all training and resources.

Download the app for free

Another fantastic benefit of The National College is its National Online Safety app, which you can download for free. It gives you access to all their parent and carer resources on the go, whenever you want.

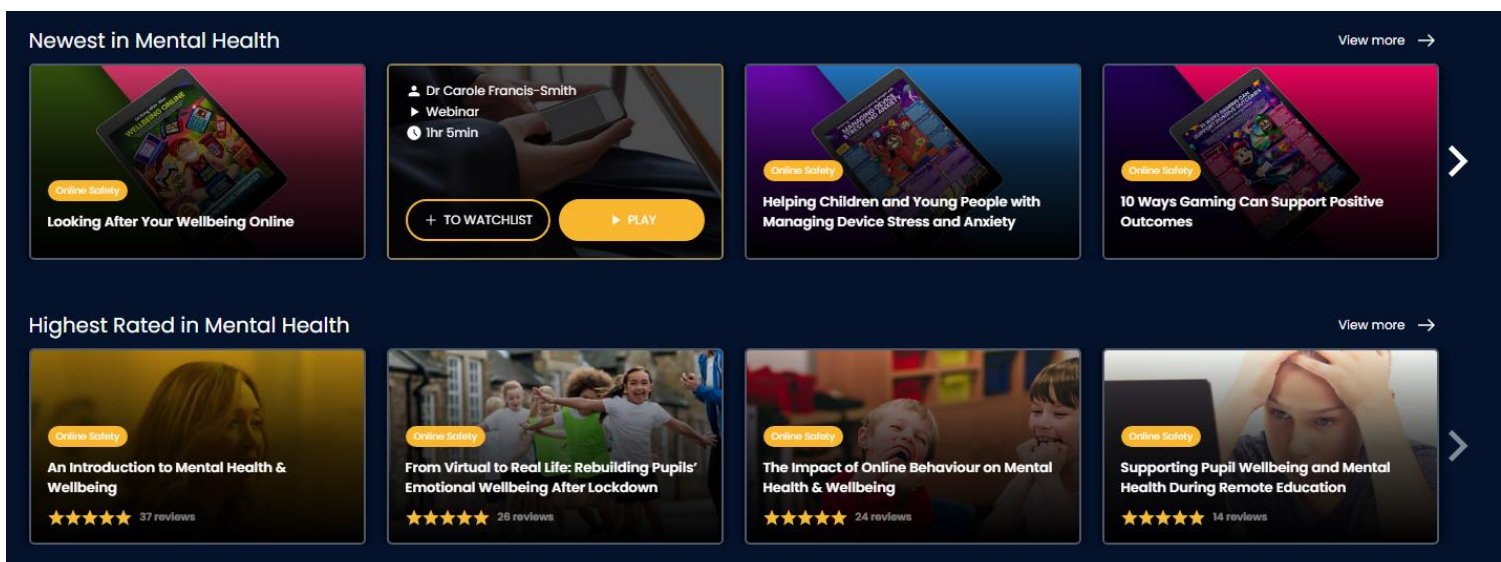
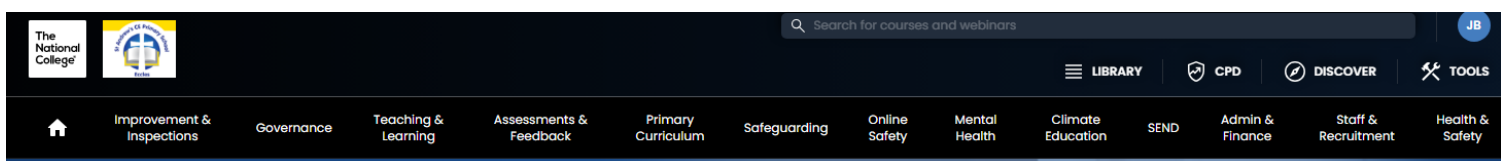
You can download the National Online Safety app using the links below:

- [App store](#)
- [Google Play](#)

They're always here to help

The National College has a brilliant support team if you have any questions. Their [help centre](#) provides a comprehensive bank of answers to most FAQs, but if you still can't find the answer you're looking for, you can always get in [contact](#) with them.

I hope you'll sign-up and make the most of their resources. Here are some examples:



Parent Governor Election

Included in the newsletter next week will be information regarding the upcoming election for the role of parent governor. The role is very important; all schools in Salford have governing bodies that work, behind the scenes, to make sure that their school is providing the best possible education for the children it serves. They work closely with the headteacher and staff and share with them their vision for the school.

<https://www.salford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-governors/>

Mrs Mahoney is the current parent governor. Her term of office is coming to an end. My understanding is that she intends to stand once again for the post in the upcoming election.

Reminders

Clubs start 15th January

Y4 resume swimming on Tuesday 9th January

Please remind children to remove nail varnish, necklaces and other jewellery not specified in the Uniform Policy.

Footwear should be plain back shoes or trainers – no white soles or coloured logos please.

God bless,
Mrs Bladen-Kay
Head Teacher

Spring Term 2024 Key Dates	
January	
4 th	Start of new term
8 th	Y6 heights and weights
12 th	Y6 Sharing Assembly
19 th	Y5 Sharing Assembly
26 th	Y4 Sharing Assembly
February	
2 nd	Y3 Sharing Assembly
9 th	Y2 Sharing Assembly
12 th - 16 th	DT/Enterprise Week
16 th	Enterprise Celebration School closes for half term
26 th	School opens after half term
March	
5 th	World Book Day
6 th	World Maths Day Standards and Welfare Committee
8 th	Y1 Sharing Assembly
11 th - 15 th	Assessment Week/ Art Week
13 th	Buildings and Finance Committee
15 th	Reception Sharing Assembly
22 nd	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Music Celebration
25 th , 26 th	Parents Evenings
27 th	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Music Celebration School closes for the Easter holiday

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