

“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!

06.06.24

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all had a lovely half term.

In Collective Worship this week we have been learning about the Trinity, it's associated symbols and how we use symbols, body language etc. to communicate. Ephesians 4:4 *'There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.'*

No Sharing Assembly this week

Thank you for all of the positive feedback following the Poetry Celebration Assembly before the half term. It was so successful that it has already been put on the calendar for next year. There isn't a Sharing Assembly this week as it's the first week back. It is the turn of Y2 next week (14th June)



Chester Zoo

Our Year 1 and 2 classes had a fantastic day yesterday at Chester Zoo, learning about all of the animals and habitats as part of our Science and Geography Curriculum.

National Statutory Assessments

Over the next few weeks, our Y1 children will be completing their Phonics Screening Check and Y4 children will be completing their Multiplication Check. Results of these assessments will be included in the end of year reports. The week beginning 17th June, children in Year 1 upwards will be completing their final end of year assessments. Results of these will also be shared in the reports.

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Eid-UI-Adha

Eid is likely to fall on 17th June. Our Attendance Policy states that one day of absence can be authorised for religious observance. I will be sending out a separate letter on Parent App next week where parents can indicate that their children will be absent.

Parent Questionnaires

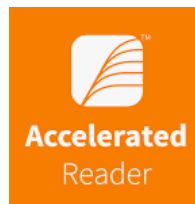
Thank you so much for the overwhelming positive feedback received on the 36 online questionnaires and 4 paper copies. 40 is the most that we've had. I've passed on the results and comments to the staff who appreciate the lovely things that were said. We had a very small number of negative responses; I would welcome more information in order that we can address any concerns and improve our provision. The comments/results of the questionnaires (parent and pupil) are an agenda item at an upcoming staff meeting, senior leaders meeting and governing board meeting.

Wrap Around Care

Over 60% of the 40 responses indicated that wrap around care would be welcome. In order that school can provide the service financially, please could anyone who wishes to take up the offer of wrap around care complete the attached letter and return it to school. Once we know the correct numbers, we can begin to take action and put provision in place if it is financially feasible.

Change of dates for after school clubs

Clubs start next week and will finish 19th July.



Accelerated Reader

Reading is a fundamental skill and the core of our curriculum. Accelerated Reader is a key part of our homework provision to support this. The website to access the resources has changed and can be accessed here:

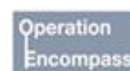
<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/1894601>



Y6 Class Prayer Assembly

All Y6 parents and carers are invited to our Y6 Class Prayer Assembly at 2.50pm 12th June.

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Collecting Children For Appointments

If your child has a medical appointment during the school day, please could I request that parents allow enough time to collect children from school. Our office staff always try and act promptly but if children are doing PE, eating lunch etc it can take a little time to bring children to the office with their bags and coats. In addition, our office staff may already be dealing with parents, visitors or on the phone. Please could you allow time so that staff can get you to your appointments promptly. Thank you

Work Experience/School Experience

Especially at this time of year, I receive a lot of requests for work experience, particularly from previous pupils or from adults in preparation for a Teaching Assistant course. I have already received 5 since the week before half term. St Andrews is a small school and cannot facilitate all of the requests and it seems unfair to say yes to some ex-pupils and no to others. Therefore, this year St Andrews will not be providing Year 11/13 work experience or for any adults wishing to start a TA course. I wish everyone success in finding a placement.



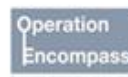
Litter

Thank you to our youngest children for trying to keep on top of the litter being dropped on our yard. Please could we all help by ensuring that children do not drop litter when they are given sweets at home time. Thank you

God bless,
Mrs Bladen-Kay
Head Teacher

Summer Term 2024 Parents Key Dates	
Dates subject to changes – staff absence, etc.	
June	
11 th	Y4 resume swimming
12 th	Y6 Class Prayer Assembly
14 th	Y2 Sharing Assembly
17 th -21 st	Assessment Week DT Week
19 th	Y4 at Ordsall Hall Buildings and Finance Meeting
21 st	Y1 Sharing Assembly
25 th	Sports Days
26 th	Standards and Welfare Committee Meeting
28 th	EYFS Sharing Assembly
July	
2 nd	Reception Trip
5 th	EYFS/KS1 Music Celebration
10 th	Reception Graduation
12 th	Clubs finish KS2 Music Celebration Bastille Day
15 th – 19 th	Transition visits to other classes
16 th	Y3 Trip
17 th	Full Governing Board Meeting
19 th	Reports out to parents Transition Celebration Assembly Clubs finish
24 th	School closes for 2023-2024 at 2.30pm

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If you are interested in Wrap Around Care, please complete the slip below and return it to school by 14th June. Paper copies of this letter are available in the office.

Wrap Around Care

Here are the projected costs for St Andrews Wrap Around Care. These are in line with other schools and private providers.

7.45am – 8.50am £5.00 per session (£3.50 for additional siblings)

3.20pm – 5.45pm £7.50 per session (£6.50 for additional siblings)

Please indicate the sessions that you are interested in:

Days	Mornings (please tick)	Evenings (please tick)
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		

Name of child/ren

Signed

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