



“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!

22.04.21

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the start of the Summer Term – and it was lovely to see so much sunshine! There’s a lot going on this term so please keep looking at social media, Parent App and the newsletters. There are some key dates below and we will continue to inform you of additional events that are happening this term. As with everything else, we await Department for Education/Government information regarding whole school events like Sports Day and end of year celebrations.

Key Dates:

- 10/17th - May Parents Meeting Phone Calls
- 18th May – Paul Cookson visit
- 28th June – Assessment Week
- 30th June – new family visits start for Nursery and Reception
- 7/8th July Y6 visits to secondary schools
- 9th July – Reports
- 13th July EYFS graduation ceremonies
- 14th July – Full Governing Board Meeting
- 22nd July – End of Term

Zoom Sharing Assemblies

It is the turn of Y1 tomorrow. Here is the information that you need:

Meeting ID: 698 375 4922

Passcode: StAndrews

	Sharing Assembly
23.04	Y1
30.04	Y5
07.05	Y3
14.05	Y4
21.05	EYFS
28.05	Y6
11.06	Y2
18.06	Y1
26.06	Y3
02.07	Y4
09.07	Y5
16.07	EYFS



Lateral Flow Testing

Earlier this week we sent more Lateral Flow Tests to the adults taking part in the pilot. There is still time to volunteer to test yourself twice a week using the Lateral Flow Tests that staff use here at school. Please contact school if you would like to volunteer or have any questions.

Ramadan

In ordinary circumstances school is able to provide a place where fasting children can go when their classes are eating their lunch. However, this is proving to be a significant challenge for schools working under strict Covid restrictions. All staff and all pupils are currently working in bubbles and are kept apart which means that at lunchtime, all staff are supervising the separate bubbles in different areas of the building. To help school organise this, please could I ask that an adult contact school if there is any change to the days when children are fasting. This helps us to arrange suitable areas and staff depending on pupil numbers.

Breakfast Club

This is now closed and will be reviewed in the Autumn Term.

The Big Ask

We are going to take part in The Big Ask on behalf of the Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel De Souza;

"It is time to give something back to children after the huge sacrifices they have made during the Covid pandemic. 'The Big Ask' will ask millions of children in England to tell us what life is like for them, what their hopes and ambitions are, and what is holding them back."

"I hope that every parent and carer, every teacher and anyone who works with children will encourage children to take part in this big, exciting opportunity. I want 'The Big Ask' to be the biggest survey of children ever carried out in this country so that we can better understand what children want from the people in power and those who make decisions about their lives."

"What children tell us will be at the heart of my Childhood Commission and 'Beveridge-style' blueprint for Government and others to tackle some of the generational problems that have held back too many children for decades."

Please consider taking part using this link:

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/resources/debate-resources-for-classrooms-and-youth-groups/>

Captain Tom 100

Everyone of all ages and abilities is invited to take on a challenge around the number 100 any time and anywhere over Captain Tom's birthday weekend, starting on Friday 30th April through to Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May. That could be walking 100 steps or running 100 metres, scoring 100 goals, baking 100 cakes, climbing 100 stairs, hopping 100 laps of the garden, building 100 sandcastles, writing a 100-word poem, flipping 100 pancakes – anything at all, inside or outside. This also links in with our assembly themes for the next few weeks



which are all about resilience and perseverance. To contribute to the fundraising here, use this link:

<https://captaintom100.justgiving.com/donate>

Captain Tom 100: Take part in this special event



Parents Meetings

These will be held by telephone during the weeks beginning 10th and 17th May. Each class has either a morning or afternoon slot. There are no slots 13th/14th May owing to Eid.

10th AM – Y1 and Y4 PM – Y2

11th AM – Reception PM – Y6

12th AM - Y3 PM - Nursery

No 13th/14th – Eid

17th AM- Y5 PM – Y4

18th AM - Y2 PM – Reception

19th AM – Nursery PM – Y5

20th PM – Y1

21st AM – Y6 PM – Y3

A letter will be sent home with children tomorrow to complete and send back into school.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

God bless,
Joanne Bladen-Kay
Head Teacher

'St. Andrews continues to be a good school... and is a happy place. The pupils that I spoke with are proud to belong to a school where the differences between people's culture and beliefs are celebrated. Pupils told me, 'We welcome everybody; we are all friends'. Staff are very proud to work at the school. Leaders and staff are determined that all pupils will achieve their very best.' OFSTED 28.01.2020

