



ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



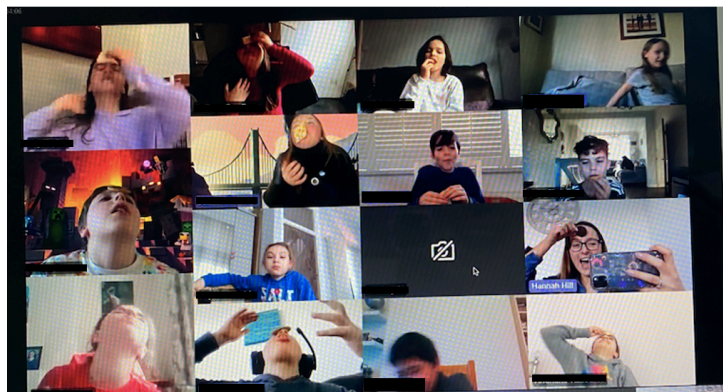
Four weeks on...

After four weeks of learning this term, our children have now settled into their home and school routines. The children, who are attending school have now become used to being taught by both year group teachers. This change, in addition to different teaching assistants each week, has really helped them to adapt to changes more readily.

For children who are at home, they have seen changes to remote teaching sessions. Teachers have been recording lessons each day, to support the knowledge and understanding needed to complete assignments. Some teachers and teaching assistants have been reading stories to the children each day, to ensure they hear quality texts every day.

We have also had our **Teams and Zoom Meets** this week and last week. It was so lovely to see children getting together on the screen, enjoying their time with the class teacher and their friends. Scavenger hunts, bingo sessions, quizzes and stories are some of the activities which took place. *(5B, pictured, were trying to eat a biscuit with no hands!)* We have received some lovely feedback from parents from these sessions. It is clear that our children are so pleased to see each other, even if it is virtually. **The next 'Meets' and dates have now been emailed to parents.**

We are also starting **1:1 live reading sessions** with some of our children at home in Years 1 and 2. Our amazing teaching assistants have been working hard to set this up on Teams. This will help to continue our focused reading sessions with those who need it.



As you can see, these are just some of the adjustments, improvements and changes we have been making since the start of term, to support the teaching and learning at St. Andrew's. The staff continue to work so hard at school and at home, to ensure all of our children receive the best possible learning experiences, during this pandemic.

Safer Internet Day - 9th February 2021

This campaign focuses on supporting young people to question, challenge and change the online world. With this in mind, the teachers will be planning lessons which support the use of online safety, that day.

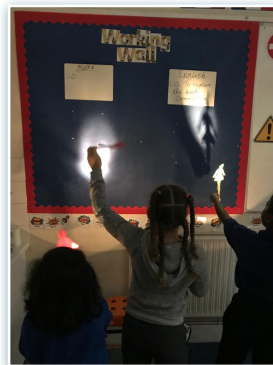
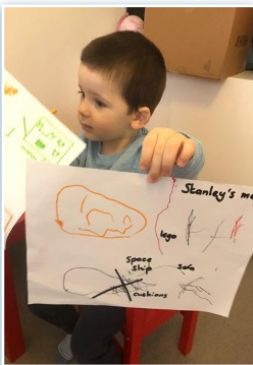


What's been happening in school and at home?

We are always thrilled to share the wonderful learning, which has been shown at school, on Teams and on Tapestry. Stanley from our Nursery class has been busy creating a wonderful treasure map at home.

Elsewhere, children in Year 3 have been looking at Light and Shadows in Science and this week, they made shadow puppets to test out their shadows.

They have also been making their own Stone Age tools and weapons at home, as part of their History unit.



In Year 1, children at home and at school have been reading the Elmer stories. They have also been making masks and sewing Elmers!

Easyfundraising total so far

We now have **147** members contributing to our easyfundraising account. That's parents, staff, governors, friends and family members, all helping to raise funds for St. Andrew's School. Our current total of money raised is **£3711!**

Register with our school name, download the app to your phone or iPad and help us raise much needed funds. It doesn't cost you a penny. Remember, you can even raise money with delivery companies such as JUST EAT! Thank you.

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Streetkind

One of our parents volunteers for Streetkind and asked if some of our children in school would decorate some bags with a Valentine's Day theme. Of course we accepted the request. The children have done a great



job. These bags will be filled with hot meals for the homeless and distributed in February. We hope that our bright designs and kind messages bring a smile to the faces of those who receive them.

Fantastic Friday - 12th February



To celebrate everyone's efforts, resilience and hard work over the six weeks, we will be having another non-uniform Fantastic Friday on the last day of term. On this day, our teachers will be encouraging children at home and at school to take part in all things 'M' - **Making, Mindfulness and Music.**

Citizens Advice Enfield

Citizens Advice Enfield, alongside the charity Mind, is offering support to families across Enfield, who may have been dealing with extremely challenging situations, during the pandemic. Please see the attached image for more information on how they can help.

And finally, a warm welcome to our adopted guinea pig, Sammie...



Last week, this poor little creature was found on the side of the road, by Mrs Duce, our Reception teacher. So, she brought it in, took care of it and with the Reception and Nursery children helping out, made sure it was fed and comfortable. On the day in which Father Steve told us the story of 'The Good Samaritan' on *Time for God*, it was only right that our little friend be named Sammie. Sammie stays in his cage during school time, and comes out when all is quiet, to have a little run around and explore. We look forward to keeping you up to date with Sammie's Stories.

Life After Loss



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Weighed down by unexpected money problems and mounting debt?

Can't work due to COVID-19?

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