



Year 5 children's Space Experience

This week, our Year 5 children took part in an unforgettable experience; in a planetarium dome in the main hall! Once inside the giant inflatable dome, the children were transported into space and were able to capture a little of what it must have been like to go to the moon, be in a rocket or see our solar system. To support this science unit, the children also brought in some fabulous models of the solar system, to show to other classes. We certainly have a creative group of children and parents! An exhibition will be held on **Monday 20th Feb at 3pm**, for parents to see the wonderful work produced at home. A huge thank you to our parents, for their payment contribution to the space workshop and for supporting their children with these fantastic models.

Children's Mental Health Week and Internet Safety Day



This has officially been the busiest week in the school calendar so far! We have managed to pack in two whole school initiatives at once; Internet Safety Day and Children's Mental Health Week. The two themes have actually worked well together, as some of the content discussed with the children in their internet safety workshops was linked to mental health and well-being.

Mrs Cahalan, our PSHE Lead started off the week with a whole school assembly on the theme 'Let's Connect'. This has led on to a variety of activities, in which children across the school have been able to 'connect' to their own feelings through dance, movement, mindfulness, music and hula hoop challenges! For our Internet Safety Day, children took part in age appropriate workshops, listening to sound advice and offering their own thoughts about how important it is to keep themselves safe online.

Teachers and parents also took part in workshops, which were very informative and enlightening. Thank you to Miss Taylor, our Computing Lead, for organising the workshops.



If parents or children are worried or concerned about online abuse or about somebody else, please click on the secure link below, to make a report.

https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre



Times Table Awards



At St. Andrew's, we believe learning times tables is really important. Helping your child to learn their times table facts off by heart, is a great way to support the learning that takes place in maths lessons. From Y1 upwards, children can earn their times tables badges; **Bronze** (2s, 5s and 10s) **Silver** (3s, 4s and 8s) and **Gold** (6s, 7s, 9s, 11s and 12s). Badges are award every Friday in Collective Worship. I look forward to handing out lots of badges next half term!

Miss Jones (Maths Subject Lead)

Attendance Cups

Next term, we will be giving out two special cups in Collective Worship each week, for the two classes with the highest attendance. The award will be given to the class in EYFS and KS1 with the highest weekly attendance, as well as another cup for the class in KS2. Results will be published in the newsletter. Let's start next term with great attendance in all classes!



Reception Story Cafes

This week our Reception classes have zoomed to the moon for an adventure with baby bear! A huge thank you to all the parents and grandparents for joining us on this adventure.

We had a great time sharing the story *Whatever Next?* We made our own pictures books, played bingo and of course enjoyed a bear shaped snack!





The Pantry is stocked up again

This week, our Year 6 Vice Captains helped Mrs Statham to re-stock the shelves in The Pantry, ready for our families. We are pleased to be able to help our regular visitors, but we know we can reach out to even more families.

Please spread the word and encourage mums, dads and carers to visit. Contact the school office for more information about opening times.





Crazy Hair Day





Important dates

Our term dates for 2023 - 24 are now on the website. Please click on the *Parents* section for more information.

Wednesday 1st March - PTA AGM in the school Hall - 8:00 pm. Please come along!

Friday 3rd March - WORLD BOOK DAY - Dress Up Day

Tuesday 7th March - Boys' football Match at Enfield Grammar

Tuesday 14th March - Girls' football match at Enfield Grammar

Thursday 16th March - Y4 trip to the church

Friday 24th March - PTA SCHOOL DISCOS. More info to follow

Thursday 30th March - Easter Service at St. Andrew's Church 10am

Friday 31st March - School finishes at 2pm for the Easter holidays