

ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

With God's love, we live, learn and grow together

Notices

Community Day 9th October

We are looking for parents who have a few hours spare, to help demolish our old maze and paint the pergola near Reception classes. We currently have 7 volunteers but would gladly accept more. Please bring tools ! Please email reply@St-andrews-enfield.enfield.sch.uk if you would like to join us.

No sweets in school

We kindly remind parents that we do not allow birthday sweets or cakes in school. One of the main reasons is there is a growing number of children with food allergies in each class and we have a duty of care to keep everyone safe. Please donate a book to the class instead, on behalf of your child's birthday. Thank you.

A very warm welcome to you all

It seems a long time ago since we opened our doors for the start on term on 2nd September. The children have settled well, particularly our younger children and it is so lovely to see most things back to the way they were.

We would like to welcome our new Nursery and Reception children and parents to St. Andrew's. Please come along to our coffee mornings; the dates are on the website calendar. We would also like to welcome other children throughout the school, who have just started this term, as well as new members of staff. A reminder of new staff:

Teachers: Miss Louise Corbett in 6W, Miss Tessa Chrysostomou in 2W. Support Staff: Mrs Kerry Janes in Year 5, Mrs Dawn Makani in 3W. Our new Welfare Assistant is Miss Gemma Staines.

Children across the school learn about their environment

Our back to school unit for the whole school this year uses three beautiful books, which centre around the theme of community and environment. Each class has been reading one of three books; ***Errol's Garden, The Secret Sky Garden and The Promise.***



Through carefully planned lessons, teachers have used these books to stimulate discussion and debate about our own community and environment; something very much on the minds of the older children. As well as developing new vocabulary, there have also been opportunities for art work, writing, outdoor learning and science. Ask your children about the book they have been reading.

The Year 3 children have been taking action by planting some flowers in tubs and baskets. Have a look outside our main entrance - they really look beautiful. Year 5 children have also been out and about, looking at our school environment and Year 2 have painted some beautiful pictures, in response to the themes in *The Secret Sky Garden*.



Information and Communication

Meet the Teacher sessions Over the next few weeks, the teachers will be holding Meet the Teacher sessions at 3pm. This is a chance for the teachers to introduce themselves and give parents a brief overview of routines, curriculum expectations and events. These meetings can be viewed live; they will also be recorded and put on Teams, for parents who are unable to make the meeting.

Curriculum Letters These information letters give parents an overview of the subject areas being taught for the term. They will also include class reads, PE timetables and homework information. These will be available on the website from 24th September.

Our new website Please do spend some time looking at our new website. Here you will be able to access the school calendar for main events and term dates, as well as photos, policies and the curriculum. We also have our own twitter feed now, so do look out for this.

St. Andrew's pupils take action

Last term, our Year 6 children (then Year 5) took part in an 'Idling' workshop, aimed at encouraging car drivers in our local area (parents included!) **not to sit waiting with car engines on**. This week our banner arrived with some of the children's posters printed on. They were very proud to see their creations come to life! Have a look at it outside the school gate! A big thank you to Mrs Hill and Miss Izzet for their support with this project.

