



**St Andrew's**  
Church of England Primary School



### An Easter message from Miss Mann

As we come to the end of our Spring Term, two years since the first lockdown, I am so pleased that we have been able to return to some kind of normality. Although we continue to live with the virus and we have had to deal with a lot of staff absence, the school has worked tirelessly to continue giving all our children great learning experiences in and out of the classroom. For those of you who attended the Open Afternoons this week, I hope you will have seen how much thought, care and work goes into ensuring every child is learning.

As we move into the Summer Term, we hope to be able to continue to offer our pupils the education they deserve, with many new experiences along the way. I would like to wish you all a very happy Easter break and look forward to seeing you in the summer term.

### Non Uniform Day in aid of Comic Relief and DEC

Two weeks ago, a Non-Uniform Day took place, to raise funds for two organisations: Comic Relief and The Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), who are supporting people affected by the war in Ukraine. We are delighted to say that **£817.50** was raised by our school community. The money will be divided equally between the two charities. Many thanks to everyone who made a donation.

### Congratulations to our fantastic pianists...

This week, we are thrilled to announce that Max in Y5 and Adele and Lily T in Y6 have all passed their piano exams. Adele passed her Grade 1 exam, gaining a merit, Lily passed her Grade 3 exam and Max also passed his Grade 3 exam, with a distinction. We look forward to hearing them playing in Collective Worship next term.



### ...and to Mrs Meekin

It is always lovely to hear how appreciated our teachers are and this was demonstrated by our Year 1 children this week. As part of a Palace Gardens Competition in Enfield to find Enfield's favourite teacher, Mrs Meekin, our 1B teacher won the award. Mrs Meekin and the whole class were presented with an Easter egg each. Congratulations, Mrs Meekin!



### Easter activities



Year 1 and 2 children visited Holtwhite's Bakery this week, to buy a hot cross bun, as part of their learning about Easter. 5W led the Easter Service at the Church for the junior children and the PTA gave out chocolate for every child in the Easter egg hunts. What a wonderful end to the term.

### Open Afternoons at St. Andrew's

This week, we opened our doors to our school community. It has been a long time since we welcomed parents and grandparents back into school. And it was so worth it! What a buzz to see children guiding their parents around classrooms, looking at displays in the corridor and talking to them about their learning. We also had quite a few governors visit, too, to see what our school is really like, despite the pandemic. The teachers, support staff and



senior leaders have worked incredibly hard to prepare classrooms and corridors, to show off all areas of learning at our school. We received a lovely email from one parent, who wrote;

*'It was such a lovely experience to start off in the Early Years and see the displays of children's work and to also see children interacting with activities which were set up. Thank you to all staff for being helpful when finding our way around the school and for their support throughout the year'. Finally, a big thank you, as always, to our PTA for providing light refreshments in our cafe. A further montage of photos from the Open Afternoons will be available to see on the website.*

### Thank you

For those parents and members of staff who regularly shop online, your donations for this quarter have raised **£76.51** for the PTA. Thank you so much and keep shopping!



### Wedding bells for Miss Panayi

Miss Marie Panayi, our Office Assistant will be getting married over the Easter holidays. We wish her and Sam all the best for their special day. Miss Panayi will be changing her name to Mrs Andrews - very apt for our school office!