



ST. ANDREW'S SOUTHGATE

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of our academic year, I wanted to express my heartfelt thanks to you all for your continued support in my first year as head teacher of St Andrew's. What a year it has been! As a school we have so many things to be proud of. We have worked together to be part of fun PTA events to raise money for resources, celebrated sporting successes, watched excellent school performances but most of all supported each other and contributed to a positive school community. It is a joy to see happy children everyday, achieving and succeeding every step of the way. This year, we have increased the number of school trips, clubs and performance opportunities, strengthened our support of children's emotional well-being and resilience and worked very hard to ensure that our academic success continues to reaches new heights.

My staff at St Andrew's have worked incredibly hard and a huge thanks goes out to them. Without their hard work and dedication none of this would have been possible.

We are all immensely proud of the children who are a real credit to our school and to you as parents and carers.

Wishing you all a fabulous summer break filled with fun, laughter and plenty of opportunities to make wonderful memories with loved ones.

Mrs Pitsillides



SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS



Another term, another set of incredible sporting achievements! St Andrew's has once again shone in the world of sports with an eventful sports day. Well done to Shaftesbury house for winning this year. We also won the Enfield Primary Schools Borough Athletics, the boys won the football league and we have once again been awarded the Schools Gold Games Award for the third year in a row! Well done to all of the children that represented our school. Go St. Andrew's Southgate!





EDUCATIONAL VISITS AND ACTIVITIES



Belmont Farm



Tower of London



Go ape Alexandra Palace



Hertfordshire Young Mariners base



Whole School Music workshop



V&A Toy Museum



The Great Fire of London

I really had to drag myself out to Oakwood park for a run this morning. Apart from how beautiful it looked, in an overgrown wildlife way, children from St Andrews school had hung rainbow nature poems to trees, benches and railings. It really cheered me so I thought I'd share...



Year 5 Out and About Project



Year 6 PGL



Jiu Jitsu

YEAR 6 LEAVERS

Our Year 6 children have closed the doors on their St Andrew's journey and we would like to wish them the very best of luck for the future. They have worked hard all year, made excellent progress as well as add to their fond memories of their St Andrew's life. We are all proud of what they have achieved and we know that they will continue to work hard in their secondary school chapters whilst taking the St Andrew's values with them. The name of their show was very apt as they have been part of the Greatest Year 6 Show this year.

Best of luck Year 6 and remember... Think BIG, Dream BIG, Believe BIG and you will achieve BIG!



STAFFING NEWS

We would like to thank Mrs Wasik for her hard work in Year 1 this year and we are pleased to announce that she will be continuing with us next year in Year 3.

We would also like to welcome Miss M Triddon to the St Andrew's family. She is an experienced teacher who will be joining the team in September in Year 1.

Congratulations to Mr Demetriou who has been promoted from Assistant Head Teacher to Deputy Head Teacher.

Congratulations to Miss Christie who welcomed a beautiful baby girl this summer term.

SUMMER FAIR 2024 AND PTA

The Annual St. Andrew's Summer Fair was magnificent, thank you to everyone who helped organise, set up, support by running stalls and of course the school community for attending and having fun.

The PTA is a vital part of our school and helps raise funds to provide our children with fantastic resources and opportunities whilst also providing opportunities for the school community to get together. Bryony has worked exceptionally hard as the Chair of the PTA for many years and we are so grateful to her for time and dedication to the role. Bryony will be officially stepping down from the role of Chair from September 2024.

This means that next academic year, we will be without a Chair for the PTA. Without a Chair, the PTA cannot legally function.

Therefore, please can I urge you to consider taking on the role? These are the key things a Chair needs to do:

- lead and preserve the harmonious PTA/school relationship by understanding the way the PTA supports the priorities of the school (ie school first, PTA wraps around)
- be aware of all PTA events that have been agreed by the school
- arrange a termly meeting and agree agenda
- deliver annual report for AGM (template will be provided)

In terms of the time you have, there are no fixed expectations and we understand that everyone is busy. We just need someone.

We also have the role of Secretary available. As Secretary you could be instrumental in helping the smooth running of the PTA by ensuring effective communication links between committee members and between the PTA and the school.

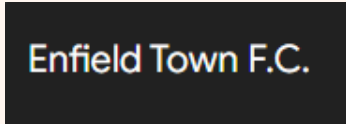
Please come and speak to me after the summer holidays if you think you might be able to support the school in this way.

SUMMER FAIR DONATIONS

An enormous thank you to the companies below for their generous donations towards our summer fair!



Charles Henry Peppiatt
Smiths Schoolwear
Rainbow Soft Play



Antonia Fitness, Personal Trainer
Aldenham Country Park
Enfield Town Football Club
Babinondas



Nissi
Cafe Cristo
Snow Princess Parties
Clown town

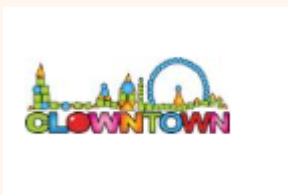


Gift balloons by B
Isabel at Harper Collins Publishers (Mrs Coonjah's daughter)

Parents and staff who donated prizes/items for hampers



Krispy Kreme (donuts donation)
S J Smith Butchers (meat donation)



Key Dates

St Andrew's Autumn Term dates 2024

SEPTEMBER 2024

Monday 2nd	All Day	INSET DAY School closed for pupils
Tuesday 3 rd	8.40am gates open	Term beginnings
Monday 9 th	Morning	Reception begin (1/2 class)
Tuesday 10 th	Morning	Reception begin (1/2 class)
Wednesday 11 th	All Day	All of the new reception
Wednesday 11 th	9am	Year 5 and 6 Meet the teacher 9am
Wednesday 11 th	3pm	Year 3 Meet the teacher
Friday 13 th	9am	Year 1, 2 and 4 'Meet the Teacher' meetings
Wednesday 25 th	9.30am	Harvest Service at St Andrew's church. Parents welcome to attend. All children to be in full school uniform.
Thursday 26 th	4pm	Year 6 Secondary school transfer meeting for parents

OCTOBER 2024

Wednesday 16 th	All day	Individual and sibling photos
<i>Friday 25th End of Term. School finishes at 3.3pm</i>		
Half Term Holiday Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November		

NOVEMBER 2024

Monday 4th	All Day	INSET DAY School closed for pupils
Wednesday 6th	1.30pm-2.30pm	All saint's day service at St Andrew's Church- Parents welcome to attend. All children to be in full school uniform.
Tuesday 12th	1.30pm-7pm	KS1 Parents meetings
Wednesday 13th	1.30pm-7pm	KS2 Parents meetings
Friday 15th	All Day	Children in need-Non-uniform day
Sunday 30th	All Day	St Andrew's Day (Sunday)

DECEMBER 2024

Monday 2nd	All Day	St Andrew's Day (Observed)
Tuesday 10th	2pm	Nativity Performance to parents Year 1 and Year 2 in the school hall
Wednesday 11th	5pm	St Andrew's Southgate Christmas Service- Whole school. All children to be wearing school uniform.
Thursday 12th	All day	Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner
Wednesday 18th	3.00pm	Reception 'sing along' to Reception <u>parents</u> - Location to be confirmed depending on the weather.
Friday 20th	9am-1pm	St Andrew's Christmas morning for Pupils
<i>Friday 20th End of Term. School finishes at 1pm</i>		
Christmas Holidays Monday 23rd December-Friday 3rd January Monday 6th January School INSET day		