



ST ANDREW'S C of E INFANT SCHOOL

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A message from Mrs. Woan: Your children have been fabulous this week!

They have been hunting for bugs in micro-habitats, learning how to write their names and taking part in exciting PE lessons. We have had a couple of problems trying to contact parents this week, please can you update any telephone numbers with Miss Scott in the school office. Parent/Carer partnerships are essential. We are all working towards the same goal: happy, well- educated children.

Please check seesaw for the updated attendance policy which explains about penalty notices for missing school. There is a summary at the bottom of this newsletter.



Shining stars awards this week for best work go to:

Ladybirds: Viktoria
Honeybees: Harry W
Butterflies: Isla
Owls: Lucy
Kingfishers: Evie
Dragonflies: Zachary

School Councilors

Children have been voting for new school council representatives in Year 1 and Year 2.

Butterflies: Mathilda.B & Jude
Owls: Evie & Ronnie
Kingfishers: Finley & Anya
Dragonflies: Mila-Rose & Ollie P

CONGRATULATIONS!

Truthfulness is our current school value

Ladybirds: Georgie-Leigh
Honeybees: Jessica
Butterflies: Charlie
Owls: Nieve
Kingfishers: Koby
Dragonflies: Sophie

*"Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my saviour"
Psalm 25:5*

Kitchen Sink

Does anyone have a spare sink hanging around??? We are building a new mud kitchen.



Weekly Attendance Scores

Ladybirds 67%
Honeybees 82%
Owls 90%
Butterflies 90%
Kingfishers 92%
Dragonflies 97%

Best Class of The Week is:

Dragonflies

We have started a whole class competition. Everyday the whole class attends school they receive a token towards a special prize. The children are very excited.

Every days counts, every minute matters.



The PTFA are a valuable team of volunteers who raise money to support our children. Last year they paid for lots of treats including the coaches so children could go on school trips; saving parents £10.00 per child.

We want this to continue but need your help. Please see Mrs. Woan who will put you in touch with the volunteer group.

Diary Dates

4th October - Open Day for new admissions 2023 parents

5th October, 3.30-5pm - School Disco

6th October- Autumn Theme day. Everybody gets a raffle ticket

19th October, 2.30-7pm - Parent/Teacher Meetings

Friday 21st October, 9.30am AT CHURCH -Harvest Festival Assembly

Monday 24th October-Friday 28th - Half Term

31st October - Inset Day

BOB's

Book of Brilliance

The BoB book has been super busy during the last weeks.

Rowan in Owls for excellent writing

Joseph and Arthur in Dragonflies for independent work.
Finley Evie



NO jewellery can be worn in school. This is because I need to keep your children safe from accidents and injuries. This information is in the school prospectus which you are given when the children start school.

Autumn Theme Day

Thursday 6th October

We are having an Autumn theme day with a special school lunch!

Please sign up if your child usually has packed lunches. It is **FREE**.

Also EVERY child who attends school that day gets a raffle ticket for a prize draw!



Orphanage Appeal

Mrs Barber and her husband are travelling to Zambia, to a village called Choma where they will be doing some voluntary work for an orphanage. The orphanage has 150 children in it from babies up to 13 year olds. They are desperate for children's underwear, warm socks and jumpers. Can you spare anything which is **clean and in good condition?** If so we are collecting at school for a couple of weeks.



Attendance at St. Andrew's C of E Infant School



Day 1 child is off school

Parents ring the school to inform them of the reason for absence.

If parents do not contact school then school will make contact with home.

If there is no answer a home, emergency contacts will be phoned. A home visit will be carried out by a member of staff.

Further days absence

If your child continues to be off school please ring school each day your child is absent. Otherwise it will be UNAUTHORISED

If your child is off for 10 sessions (5 days) unauthorised **in total** during a term then a penalty notice will be issued. Odd days off here and there still count.

Penalty notices are £60 per child per parent if paid within 21 days or £120 per child, per parents if paid after 21 days.

If your child arrives at school later than 9.25 am this can be classed as unauthorised and will contribute to the penalty notices

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