



# St Andrew's C of E Infant School Newsletter

## 9th February 2024

A message from Mrs. Woan:

Can you believe that we are half way through the academic year! The children and staff have worked really hard this term. Expectations are high and we have smashed them!

I hope you all have a lovely half term and the weather keeps dry.  
See you on Monday 19th February



Shining stars awards this week go to:

Ladybirds: Ralph  
Honeybees: Catherine  
Butterflies: Georgie-Leigh  
Owls: Freddie  
Kingfishers: Leah  
Dragonflies: Olivia R

### Compassion is our current school value

Ladybirds: Anna  
Honeybees: Finley  
Butterflies: Minnie  
Owls: Thomas  
Kingfishers: Ralph  
Dragonflies: Layla

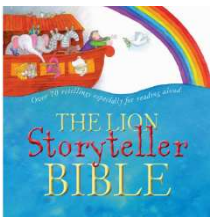


'The Lord is  
compassionate and merciful,  
slow to get angry and filled  
with unfailing love.'  
Psalm 103:8

### Weekly Attendance Scores

Ladybirds: 98%  
Honeybees: 92%  
Owls: 93%  
Butterflies: 93%  
Kingfishers: 94%  
Dragonflies: 94%

Best Class of The  
Week is:  
Ladybirds



Today we have had a 'Vision and values Day'

Children have worked with different teachers exploring their understanding of 3 of our core values:

Compassion, Truthfulness and Thankfulness. They have looked carefully at the school images which underpin these values; as well as thinking about what they mean and how we can live them out in our daily lives. They have also taken part in some spiritual activities with the aim of building awe and wonder about our amazing world.

They have also heard and discussed bible stories linked to these values: The Ten Commandments, Jesus heals the blind man and Creation.

## Diary Dates

- Half term 12th-16th February
- Children return to school on MONDAY 19th February at 8.40am.
- 27th February 'Grandad Wheels' visiting school
- 1st March Non-uniform day-Easter eggs and chocolate please
- 'Mother's' Day lunch 6th March
- Year 2 Trip to the Vehicle museum 8th March
- Easter Bingo-14th March
- Year 2 Leavers Service (book your time off work in advance) Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 9.30 am.



### BOB's Book of Brilliance



Dragonflies: Rory, Jon-Paul and Ralph for information reports about Tim Peake. Daisy, Viola and Layla for information booklets about Neil Armstrong

Kingfishers: Erin for improved handwriting

Owls: Evie for independent learning in science, Riley for outstanding spelling

Butterflies: Ollie M, Amelia, Louella, Veronika, Georgie-Leigh for moving picture designs. Henry, Scarlett, Reggie and Viktoria for toy posters

Reception classes:

These children have worked extra hard. A huge well done!



Granddad wheels is coming to visit us on 27th February. After a serious cycling accident in 2013, Brian was left paraplegic and a full-time wheelchair user. A few years ago, he started writing stories to amuse his Grandson Charles and now there are six stories in the series 'The Adventures of Granddad Wheels!' After sharing the stories with family and friends, he was encouraged to make them available to a wider audience.

All the books are self-published and all the profits from sales are donated to two charities that help wheelchair users in their everyday lives. And of course, Brian is determined not to let his disability stop him from having more daft adventures with grandson Charles!

There is no obligation for you to buy the books but if you would like to do so please complete the form being sent home and return with the money. All the money goes directly to the charities which Granddad Wheels' supports.

<https://www.grandadwheels.com/>



### Year 2 Football Team

After the half term holidays Coach Dave will be running a football club for YEAR 2 CHILDREN ONLY. The aim of the club is for us to enter local tournaments and compete against other schools. We need strong players so we can win!

This is an opportunity for our Year 2 sports stars to shine.

I will be in touch with Year 2 parents directly if their child has expressed an interest in joining the school football team. These children will be invited to come for a trial session should they wish to.

For those children who are in other year groups, your child will get an opportunity when they are in Year 2.

In the meantime we continue to offer non-competitive after school sports clubs and other clubs for your children to attend.



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