

— 2nd April 2026 —

St Andrew's News

'Everything you do, do in love'



Headteacher's Message

Firstly, it was lovely to welcome so many parents into school this week for our Spring Term Parent Consultations. I do hope the meetings gave you a valuable insight into your children's progress and attainment so far this year.

I would also like to extend my thanks to all members of our school community who attended our Easter Services over the past two days. These occasions represent an important part of our Christian identity and values as a Church of England school. A big well done to the children in Year 1 and Year 5, who led their respective services with considerable confidence.

Today, we have said goodbye to Mrs Brenchley after 27 years service at our school as a Midday Supervisory Assistant. We will miss Mrs Brenchley greatly and wish her a very happy and fulfilling retirement.

Finally, I wish everyone an enjoyable and restful Easter break. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr M Baker
Headteacher

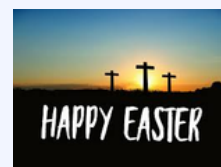


School Vision

At St. Andrew's, we seek to be a safe and happy environment, inspiring our school family to be positive participants in the world community. A place where we are all encouraged, through love and service, to be the very best.

'Love one another, as I have loved you'

John 13:34



Effort Cups and Value Awards



As we reach the end of term, we have been able to celebrate achievements across the school during Collective Worship. Last Friday, each teacher selected a child from their class for this term's value award for 'justice'. Congratulations to the following children:

- York (Reception)** - Theodore
- Lincoln (Year 1)** - Tilly
- Winchester (Year 2)** - Annabelle
- Canterbury (Year 3)** - Charlie
- Salisbury (Year 4)** - Ava
- Norwich (Year 5)** - Willow
- Southwell (Year 6)** - awarded but name not included

Today, the following children were awarded their class' Effort Cup for this term, for their dedication and hard work in a range of areas across the curriculum:

- York (Reception)** - Nancy
- Lincoln (Year 1)** - Ella
- Winchester (Year 2)** - Rose
- Canterbury (Year 3)** - Florence
- Salisbury (Year 4)** - Cara-Grace
- Norwich (Year 5)** - Freddie
- Southwell (Year 6)** - Kelsey

Congratulations to all of the children who were awarded certificates and cups over the past week - well done, we are very proud of you!!



Comic Relief - Year 5



As you are aware, on Thursday 19th March 2026, Year 5 organised a cake sale ahead of Red Nose Day as part of our PSHE learning about Dreams and Goals. We wanted to help children who are less fortunate than us and make a real difference to their lives. We planned and ran the whole event ourselves – from advertising and collecting cakes to selling them on the day.

A huge thank you to all our families for your amazing support – together, for the cake sale alone, we raised a fantastic...

£182.00

After the event, we started researching how our money could help others. We were really excited to see the difference it could make:

- £25 can buy a starter pack for a homeless young person – we could help up to 7 people
- It can help provide school uniforms and learning materials for children in places like Malawi

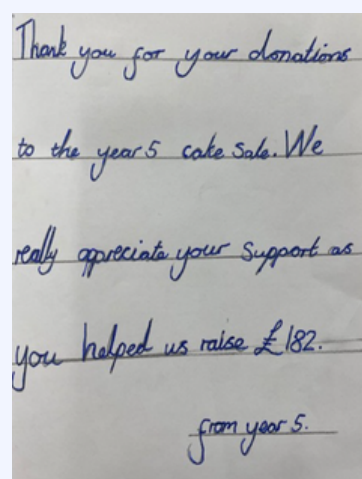
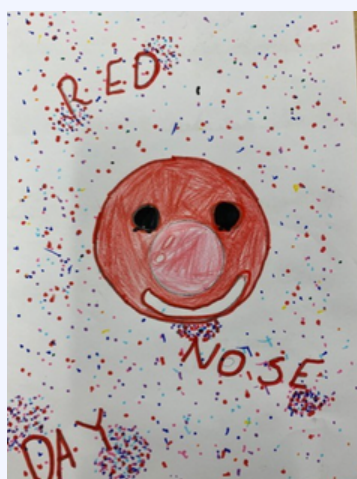
·£50 could help feed 10 children for a day at a community hub during school holidays – we could help more than 30 children

·£5 could provide support to a young person in the UK through a mental health helpline – we could help 36 people.

We are extremely proud that we were able to take action and show courageous advocacy by helping others.

Thank you again for helping us make a difference!

Year 5, Mrs Coote and Mrs Locke.



PTFA Update



Our PTFA were delighted by the success of the recent Family Bingo event. It was a fantastic evening and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves, contributing to a wonderful atmosphere throughout the event.

The event raised an impressive £400, reflecting the strong support from our school community. Thank you to everyone that attended, as well as a big thank you to the PTFA members for organising this event.



Sports Update

We've come to the end of another incredibly busy and rewarding term of sport, packed with exciting events, the first festival days of the year and a fantastic medal-winning performance. A huge thank you goes to Carres Outreach for organising such a wide range of opportunities for our pupils.

We began March with a determined group of six hockey players who braved extremely cold and wet conditions. Despite the challenging weather, their performance improved with every match, earning them a brilliant bronze medal. They finished the day muddy but smiling and extremely proud of their achievement.

Next, pupils experienced something completely new with a Wheelchair Sports session. This proved to be both eye-opening and physically demanding. Morgan, reflected that although he expected it to be relaxing, it required much more effort and concentration than he anticipated.

Our girls showed fantastic enthusiasm at the Girls' Football festival, despite the weather. Year 2 and Year 4 pupils took part in a carousel of activities, developing their skills before enjoying friendly matches in the afternoon. "It was so much fun!" was heard multiple times as we all gathered together for lunch. Meanwhile, our Year 5/6 team competed in a tournament, playing eight matches across the day. It was wonderful to see the girls grow in confidence, with several even discovering a new love for playing in goal.

Following on from the Key Stage 1 Tag Rugby event earlier in the year, our older pupils took part in their own festival. Year 4 pupils worked through a carousel of activities throughout the day, while the Year 5 team competed in a tournament, working hard to learn the new RFU T1 Tag Rugby rules. It was especially pleasing to see them reflecting after each match and discussing how to improve as a team.

To round off the term, we had the pleasure of hosting other local primary for a Teamwork Challenge. Children who had demonstrated excellent teamwork skills were selected to represent each school, they then came together to form mixed-school "super teams" to compete in activities such as quidditch, handball and pop lacrosse. The children thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to collaborate with new teammates rather than compete against them.

We are incredibly proud of how all our pupils have represented the school this term. Their determination, self-belief and teamwork have shone through at every event - well done everyone!



Sports Update



Year 5 Parents Meeting



We would like to invite all parents of children in Year 5 to a meeting on Monday 27th April. At this meeting, we will share initial details of the Hilltop Residential Trip for 2027 (including confirmed dates and costs), as well as information relating to secondary schools and the 11+ assessments. The meeting will take place in school at 5:00pm and will be for parents/carers only.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at this meeting on Monday 27th April.

Parking

I would like to remind all parents who collect children by car to exercise consideration when parking and dropping off at school. We have received concerns from local residents regarding parking practises in our immediate vicinity, and I would ask that you remain mindful of our neighbours' needs when travelling to and from school. I would encourage you to make use of the Village Hall car park, which is located just a short walk away and is available both before and after school.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Easter Services at St. Andrew's Church

Please see below for a list of services taking place at St. Andrew's Church, Leasingham over the coming Easter period.

Friday 3rd April (Good Friday) - Service of Reflection and Prayer - 11:30am

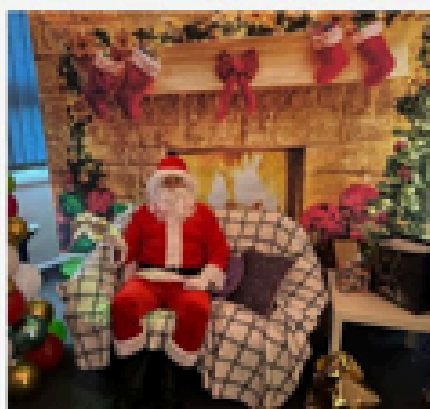
Saturday 4th April - Evening Prayer (6pm)

Sunday 5th April (Easter Sunday) - Easter Morning Praise - 9:30am

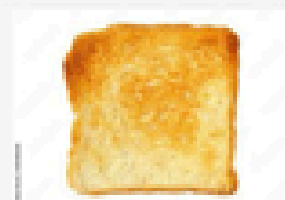
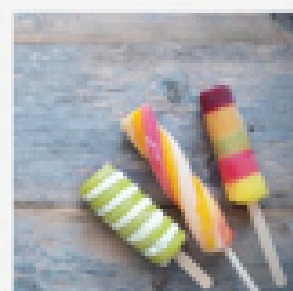
Profiles

All children from Year 1 upwards will bring their profiles home tonight. The profiles include a snapshot of work from this term. Please take time to share and celebrate your child's achievements and write a comment about these. Your child's profile will need to be signed and returned to school by Friday 24th April 2026. The staff and children have worked very hard to complete the profiles and I hope you will enjoy reading them.

ST ANDREW'S PTFA



St Andrew's PTFA are always open to new members, whether you can help out at the fayres or just provide your time to help us organise events, we appreciate any help.



What do we do?

- ~ Toast
- ~Ice lollies
- ~Pre-loved uniform sale
- ~Summer Fayre
- ~Christmas Fayre
- ~Support the Duke Jingle and much more



Everyone is welcome, please join us and help raise money to support the school.

JOIN US!

Fb: St Andrews Leasingham PTFA

E-mail : leasinghamptfa@gmail.com

Find one of us at school.

We are an Operation Encompass School

For further information, please come and see us.



Operation Encompass is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and all police forces.

Children who live in homes where there is domestic abuse, or who experience domestic abuse in their own teenage relationships, can be negatively impacted by this experience.

Children who experience domestic abuse are recognised as victims of domestic abuse in their own right¹.

We have ensured that a member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained about Operation Encompass procedures. This allows us to use the information that has been confidentially shared with us by the police, to understand how a child may be impacted by domestic abuse and to then offer support to the child/ren in our care.

Operation Encompass means that our school will be told, prior to the start of the next school day, when police have attended an incident of domestic abuse where there is a child or young person who attends our school who is related to any of those involved in the incident

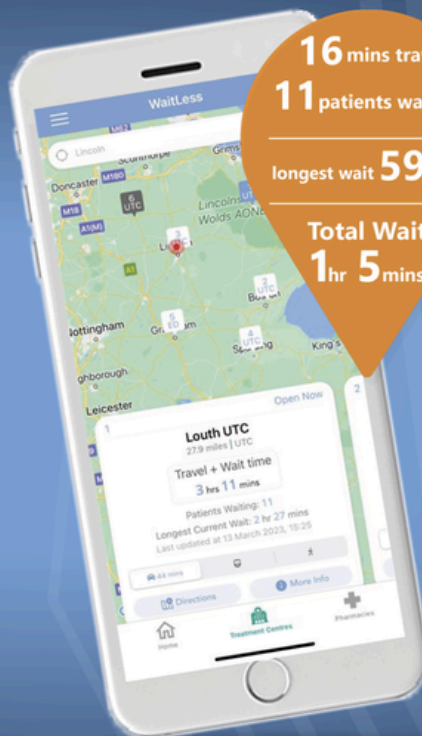
This information means that we can understand a child's behaviour and support that child in whatever way they may need or want.

We are keen to offer the very best support possible to all our pupils and we believe that being part of Operation Encompass helps us to do this.

¹ Domestic Abuse Act 2021

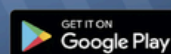


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Self Care

Treat aches, pains, coughs, and colds at home. Stock up your medicine cabinet with over the counter remedies.



Pharmacy

Visit your local pharmacy for advice on minor injuries, allergies, constipation, headaches, cold and flu symptoms, and earache.



Your GP Practice

Contact your GP practice about symptoms that aren't going away. They can offer you an appointment or signpost you to other services.



NHS 111

If you have an urgent health need but are not sure what to do, think NHS 111. Call 111 or visit 111.nhs.uk. Available 24/7.



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Download the WaitLess app to view live waiting times, queue numbers and travel-time information for our urgent care facilities.



Urgent Treatment Centre

Seek help for sprains, fractures, minor burns, and skin infections. Simply walk in or book an appointment via NHS 111.



Dental Treatment

For urgent dental care please contact your normal dental practice, or for advice out of hours call NHS 111.



Mental Health Crisis

If you are worried about your mental health, call 111 and choose Option 2. Available 24/7

In a medical emergency call 999. This is when someone is seriously ill or injured and their life is at risk.

For more information visit www.nhs.uk

Useful Links for Parents

Healthy Minds Lincolnshire

Providing support and treatment for children, young people and their families, who are experiencing emotional wellbeing difficulties.

<https://www.lpft.nhs.uk/young-people/lincolnshire/young-people/i-need-more-help/healthy-minds-lincolnshire>

Place2Be

Place2Be is a children's mental health charity working with pupils, families and staff in UK schools.

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/>

Mind

Providing support for people experiencing, or supporting someone with, a mental health problem.

<https://www.mind.org.uk/> Tel: 0300 123 3393

Family Lives

Providing early intervention and crisis support to families.

<https://www.familylives.org.uk/> Tel: 0808 800 2222

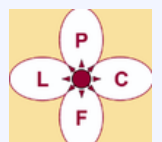
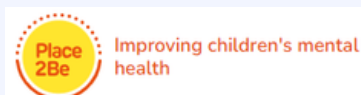
Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum

LPCF is specifically tasked with working alongside the Local Authority and Health to help ensure that the services they plan, commission, deliver and monitor meet the needs of children with Disabilities and Special Educational Needs. You will need to register with them for free before being able to access the resources and support.

<https://www.lincspcf.org.uk/>

Luminova - digital therapy enabling children to build confidence and manage their worries - luminova.app/lincolnshire

Please also see the Pastoral section on our website for more helpful links.



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Important Dates

- **Tuesday 21st April** - First Day of Term 5
- **Monday 27th April** - Class Photos (all children to attend in school uniform - no PE kits)
- **Monday 27th April** - Year 5 Parent Meeting - 11+/Residential (5pm)

Nut Free School

A reminder to please ensure that your children do not come into school with any food containing nuts. This is due to some children having nut allergies. If you are unsure of whether food you are intending to provide contains nuts, please check with staff in the school office. Information regarding nut allergies from the NHS can be found via the following link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/food-allergy/>



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