

19th December 2025 —

St Andrew's News

'Everything you do, do in love'





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

Headteacher's Message

We have now made it to the end of a very long Autumn Term!

The last few weeks have been packed full of Christmas activities, beginning with our choir singing beautifully at the Duke Jingle, our very successful PTFA Christmas Fayre and our lovely Christmas Performances and Church Services, which each class have been involved in. I would like to thank our staff for their hard work in preparing for and co-ordinating these performances, yourselves as parents for supporting them but most of all, to the children for their amazing acting and beautiful singing.

I hope you enjoy reading our final newsletter of 2025. All that remains for me to say is thank you for your support throughout this year and to wish you an enjoyable and restful Christmas break.

We look forward to seeing everyone back in school bright and early on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

Happy Christmas!

Mr M Baker Headteacher

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 'trust'. Congratulations to the following children:

York (Reception) - Joshua Lincoln (Year 1) - Georgia-Mae Winchester (Year 2) - Benjamin Canterbury (Year 3) - Francesca Salisbury (Year 4) - Jonathan Norwich (Year 5) - Scarlett Southwell (Year 6) - Annabelle

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) - Harley Lincoln (Year 1) - Theo Winchester (Year 2) - Theo Canterbury (Year 3) - Violet Salisbury (Year 4) - Emily Norwich (Year 5) - Bobby Southwell (Year 6) - Olivia

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









Profiles



All children from Year 1 upwards will bring their profiles home tonight. The profiles include a snapshot of work from this term, in a range of subject areas. 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 9th January 2026. The staff and children have worked very hard to complete the profiles and I hope you will enjoy reading them.

St. Andrew's Church Services at Christmas



St. Andrew's Church, Leasingham, will be holding the following services in the lead up to Christmas, which you are very welcome to attend:

- Friday 19th December Traditional Carols and Readings (7pm)
- **Sunday 21st December** Morning Praise (4th Sunday of Advent 9:30am)
- Wednesday 24th December Children's Crib Service (3pm)
- Wednesday 24th December Christmas Eve Holy Communion Service (9:30pm)
- Thursday 25th December Christmas Morning Service (11am)

If attending any of the above services, you will be able to see how our Year 6 children have beautifully decorated the Christmas Tree standing at the entrance of the Church.



Online Safety Newsletter

The January edition of our Online Safety Newsletter has now been published. This includes important information about online gaming, Snap Chat and Cyber Security. You can access the newsletter on our website, or by clicking <u>here</u>.

PTFA Update

Firstly, the PTFA would like to thank everyone for their support during the first part of the 2025/2026 academic year.

Since September, we have provided lots of hungry children with delicious toast at break time and held a pre-loved uniform sale enabling lots of families to purchase extra uniform or plan for the next size up.

December has been especially busy for us; we joined a number of other stalls to support the Duke Jingle alongside the fantastic school choir. As well as this we held our annual Christmas Fayre on the 5th December. It was lovely to see so many families enjoying the different games and of course visiting the all-important Santa. In total, we raised an amazing £1310.80!

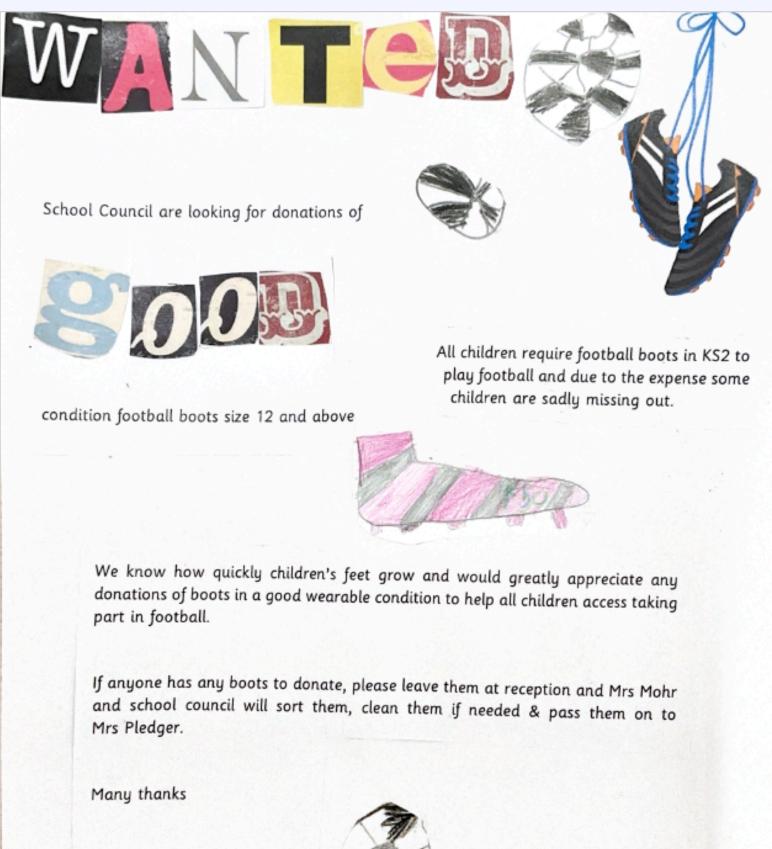
If you have any feedback, ideas for the next summer/ Christmas fayre or would like to join the PTFA please get in touch via our Facebook page (St Andrews Leasingham PTFA) by finding one of us at the school gate or drop us an e-mail at leasinghamptfa@gmail.com.















ST ANDREW'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Is your child due to start school in September 2026? We would be delighted to show you around our wonderful village school, offering:

- High academic standards, consistently above national averages
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- · An experienced staff team providing caring support for all children

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Tel: 01529 302388

Email: enquiries@st-andrews.lincs.sch.uk



Lincoln Road Leasingham Sleaford Lincs NG34 8JS

STANDREW'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?







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.









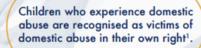
PERATION ENCOMPASS

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.

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.

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



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

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

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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

- **Friday 19th December** Last day of Autumn Term
- Monday 22nd December Monday 5th
 January (inclusive) Christmas Holiday
- Tuesday 6th January First day of Spring Term

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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