4th April 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

It has been lovely to welcome parents into school this week for consultation appointments with teachers. We hope you found these meetings helpful and that they have given you a clearer picture of your child's attainment and progress in school.

Thank you to all parents, relatives and friends that attended our Easter Church Services yesterday and today. The children led the services and explained the Easter story extremely well – well done to everyone involved. Thank you to Reverend Al, Mr Vickers and Mrs Hansford for their support with the services.

Due to a contractor delay, we are now expecting to complete handover of our new building extension early in the new term. We will give further updates on this as and when we have them.

We have now come to the end of another very busy term in school. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone connected to the school a very enjoyable and restful Easter break. A reminder that school recommences for Term 5 on Wednesday 23rd April.

With my very best wishes.

Mr M Baker Headteacher

Effort Cups and Value Certificates

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

York (Reception) - Florrie Lincoln (Year 1) - Jack Winchester (Year 2) - Charlie Canterbury (Year 3) - Hugo Salisbury (Year 4) - Charlie Norwich (Year 5) - Rose Southwell (Year 6) - Brooke

On Monday, 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) - Ivy
Lincoln (Year 1) - Annabelle
Winchester (Year 2) - Francesca
Canterbury (Year 3) - Ava
Salisbury (Year 4) - Molly
Norwich (Year 5) - Jerzy
Southwell (Year 6) - Kaleb

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





Winchester Update (Year 2)



Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Whisby Nature Reserve on Tuesday 25th March. The visit consisted of a number of interesting and engaging activities, based on this term's science topic - habitats. The morning involved the children taking part in an activity relating to their senses, exploring a range of different habitats within the nature reserve and investigating the different types of birds that could be spotted. In the afternoon, the children continued their learning through tree gazing, an enjoyable scavenger hunt and having the opportunity to produce environmental art.

The children had a great time on this educational visit, which boosted their knowledge and understanding of this important science topic. The pictures below give a further flavour of Winchester's exciting day.









Governor Update

As you are aware, the Chair of Governors position at St. Andrew's Church of England Primary School has been vacant since 1st January 2025, following the culmination of Mr Keith Phillips' term of office. During this interim period, Mr Nick Johnson has undertaken the role of Acting Chair of Governors. At our Full Governing Body Meeting last month, Mr Johnson was duly elected as Chair of Governors.

At the same meeting, Mr James Berry and Mrs Philippa Gennery were both elected as joint Vice Chair of Governors.

I am sure you will join me in sending our very best wishes to each of these governors, as they take up important roles in the strategic leadership and development of our school.

Lumi Nova App

Parents may be interested in a new app, which is free to use for families in Lincolnshire. Lumi Nova is for 7-12 year olds experiencing mild to moderate anxiety. It has been recommended by Lincolnshire County Council, who are keen for parents to be made aware of this. You can explore the app using the link below:

<u>Lumi Nova - Free for families in Lincolnshire — Lumi Nova: Tales of Courage</u>

Gardening Club

Mrs Mohr is looking forward to re-starting Gardening Club in the summer term. In preparation for this, we would be very grateful of any donations of pots, seeds, bulbs or compost. If you are able to assist with any of the listed items, please do let us know.

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 25th April.

The staff and children have worked very hard to complete the profiles and I hope you will enjoy reading them.

Values Display

Our Collective Worship Leaders have been busy on Tuesday evenings afterschool, working on updating our values display. Each week, they have worked with Mrs Moseley and Miss Coucom on an artistic representation of each of our values for this academic year. The display is now complete and is particularly thought provoking for children and staff alike when coming into Collective Worship in the mornings. Thank you to our Collective Worship Leaders, Mrs Moseley and Miss Coucom for their hard work in putting this display together.



Midday Assistant Advert



We are currenlty advertising for a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our dedicated lunchtime team. If you, or someone you know, enjoys working with children and has availability in the middle of the day, we would be very keen to hear from you. Full details of this advertisement can be found by clicking the following <u>link</u>.

Online Safety Newsletter



Our Online Safety Newsletter for April has now been published. This month's issue includes advice on social media usage, screen time and group chats. You can access this issue by clicking <u>here</u>.

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/

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











Looking for something to do on Monday afternoons?

All Saints
All Sorts
All Ages



Each Monday afternoon, starting on the 31st of March 2025, you are invited to the Winchelsea Centre between 2pm and 4pm

There will be:

a used toy library, light refreshments, craft, board games and a toddler's play space and time to just be

Come and join us
You are always welcome



All Saints Church - Family Fun Morning

At the Winchelsea Centre Ruskington

Thursday 17th of April 2025

10am to 12moon

There will be all sorts of activities, craft and games inside and outside (really old Church Fete games too!)

Come and join us, have some fun!

It is free - you can make a donation to help us hold future events if you would like



LEASINGHAM ST ANDREW'S PTFA NEED YOUR HELP

COME AND JOIN US!

VOLUNTEER AT ONE OF OUR EVENTS.

OR HELP ON A REGULAR BASIS
PLANNING AND ORGANISING OUR
EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

If you would like to get involved please email the school.

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Important Dates

- Wednesday 23rd April First day of Term 5
- **Friday 25th April** Profiles to be returned to school by today
- Monday 28th April Class Photos
- Monday 5th May Bank Holiday -School Closed

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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