



23rd February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to this new term in school. I hope you enjoyed the half term break and had a chance to spend quality time with family and friends. The term ahead is another short one, although it looks set to be very busy with events such as Parents' Evening and various school trips taking place.

Collective Worship

Our main theme for Worship over the course of Term 4 is Justice. We will be exploring this value in our worship sessions, linking into stories from the Bible and considering how we can apply this to our own lives. On Monday, I led worship on the theme of Lent. We learned about Jesus' time in the wilderness and how he resisted temptation from the devil. In our reflection time, we thought about ways in which we could take something on for Lent, perhaps trying hard to help someone out, either at home or in school. We would love to hear about ways in which the children have been trying to help others out in all that they are doing.

Parents' Evening

Appointments for Parents' Evening went live on Wise Pay earlier this week. Please ensure that you have booked a time to meet with your child's class teacher, so that they can update you on academic progress and attainment. We look forward to seeing you at these consultations on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February. A reminder that there will be no clubs during the week commencing Monday 26th February.

Diary Dates

You would have received an email earlier this week with a list of key dates for the term ahead. These can also be found on our website, by clicking on the diary tab, then clicking forthcoming events. Alternatively, these can be accessed by following the link below:

[St Andrews Primary School - \(st-andrews.lincs.sch.uk\)](http://st-andrews.lincs.sch.uk)

Year 6 Hilltop Residential

I am sure the children in Year 6 are eagerly anticipating the forthcoming residential visit to Hilltop, Norfolk. This trip will take place from Monday 4th – Friday 8th March 2024. A reminder to all parents and carers that children need to arrive in school for 8:45am on Monday 4th March in order to be registered on time ahead of the coach departing. I will be accompanying the children for the first three days of the trip. Mrs Coote, ably assisted by Mrs Moseley, will be in charge of the school during my absence. Mr Harrison will then attend from Wednesday to Friday. Salisbury class will be covered by Mrs Concurr during this period. A reminder that the PowerPoint presentation shared on 5th February is available on the school website. Please ensure that the children have everything that they need for this trip, as highlighted on the kit list.



Parking Outside School

We have had complaints from local residents about lack of consideration from a small minority of parents when dropping off/collecting children from school. Please ensure that you are parking safely on the roads surrounding the school. It is dangerous to park on the zig zag lines and a number of concerns have been raised about this. Although it is a few minutes extra to walk, the safer option is to park at the village hall and walk down to the school premises.

Please can I also request that the school entrance is not used as a turning point. This does have safety implications when there are lots of pedestrians accessing the school grounds before and after school. Your support in these matters is greatly appreciated.

World Book Day

This annual event will be taking place on Thursday 7th March. Activities will be planned in school for the children to take part in. As in previous years, children will be required to attend school in normal uniform. The children will all receive a £1 book token. They may wish to save this for the Travelling Book Fayre, which will be arriving in school from Thursday 21st March. Further details will follow shortly.

Sports Day

Please can I advise all parents that, due to circumstances beyond our control, the date for Sports Day has had to be changed. Sports Day will now take place on Thursday 20th June, with a reserve date scheduled for Thursday 27th June. I apologise for any inconvenience that this date change may cause.

Comic Relief – Friday 15th March

We will be celebrating Comic Relief with a non-uniform day in school for all children on Friday 15th March. We will not be collecting money in school, but would ask that donations are made online via the following link:

[Donate | Comic Relief](#)

Absence

Please ensure that you are reporting all absences of children to the school office, for each of the days in which they are away from school. This can either be via telephone or email. A reminder that children must remain absent from school for 48 hours after any instance of sickness or diarrhoea.

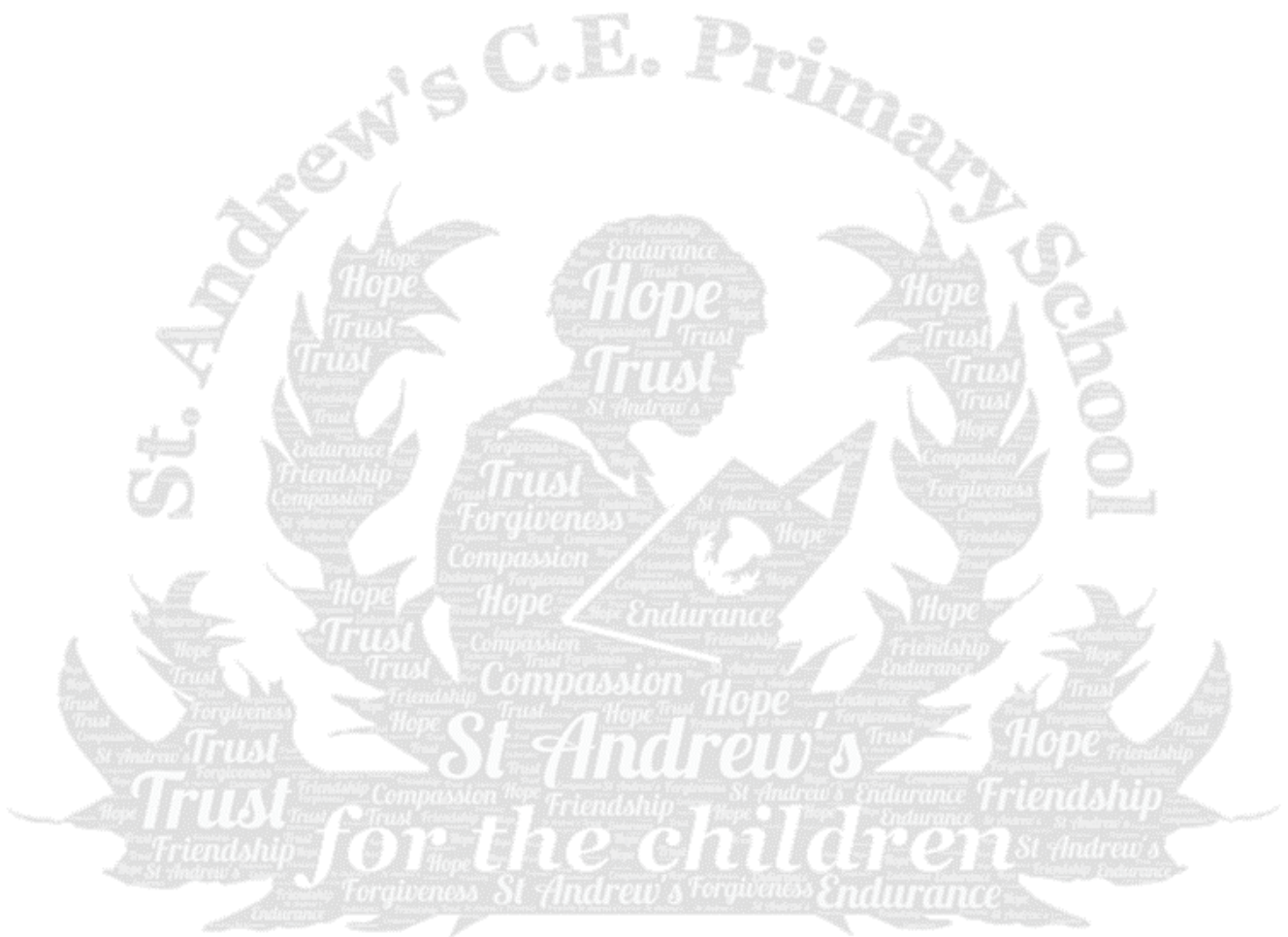
X Feed (@LeasStAndrews)

Please keep an eye on the school's 'X' feed, for updates and photos of events taking place at St. Andrew's.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Yours sincerely

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