

11th July 2025

St Andrew's News

'Everything you do, do in love'



Headteacher's Message

Firstly, thank you to all parents and carers that attended our Open Classrooms session on Monday after school. It was lovely to welcome so many of you into school, and I know the children enjoyed the opportunity to show you around their classrooms. We will be arranging another Open Classrooms session in the Autumn Term, as the children settle into their new classes.

On Monday, your child will be bringing home their annual school report (in a sealed envelope). A letter will be emailed out during the day advising you of the contents of the report and how to make any feedback, if you would like to. We hope you enjoy reading the reports when they are released next Monday.

Finally, our PTFA Summer Fayre is taking place this evening after school on the field. Access can be gained via the green car park gates from 3:30pm - we hope as many of you as possible are able to support this event.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend ahead.

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

York Update (Reception)



This term in York Class has been all about the seaside and holidays. We have enjoyed serving our customers in our indoor beach shop and creating delicious deserts in our outside ice cream parlour. The children have thoroughly enjoyed dressing up in a range of beach outfits and we've all had a lot of fun sharing our seaside experiences.

Our first Leasingham 'Sports Day' was a resounding success, and all York adults were incredibly proud of the children. They all joined in with a positive attitude, nobody gave up and so many of our school values were on display. The impromptu decision to have a sack race was very popular, even if some of the sacks were almost as big as some of the children!

Transition Day was another occasion this term when the children have shown how far they have come over the course of the year. It was fabulous to see them head off into Year One without a backwards glance, ready to get to know their new teachers and explore their new learning environment.

There is no doubt that our favourite week of this term has been 'pirate week'. We have written and told pirate stories, created our own treasure maps where 'X' marks the spot and sailed the seven seas on the pirate ship. So much imagination from everybody, even if some of the pirates were a little scary.

So here we are with only just over a week of term left. This year has passed in a blur, but York Class have given us lots of smiles and we are extremely proud of each and every one of them and the fabulous progress that they have made.



Lincoln Update (Year 1)



What a year! It is so lovely to be writing this article in July, thinking about the fantastic year we have had in Lincoln Class. We have lots to celebrate including some super moments from the Summer Term. Our main topic focus has been Science where we have been finding out about plants and animals. We have really enjoyed planting different plants and watching them grow. We created our own plant diaries and recorded how the plants had changed in a week!

It is important to mention Sports Day! We were so impressed with the children's attitudes, resilience and sportsmanship during the day, especially in the hot weather. The children really did themselves proud and showed all the School Games Values we aim for. Also a special mention to our fantastic camerawoman who although couldn't race, took some super photos of the races!



One moment this term that has took us by surprise is Lincoln Class's love of dodgeball. After the first session they were hooked, they picked up the skills quickly and have since become dodgeball superstars. We look forward to our sessions every Tuesday; building in new rules and skills to learn. As you can see by the photos, we are very competitive! One of our key learning points has been honesty; the children showed this beautifully during our sessions and understood the importance of honesty; particularly in this game.



Winchester Update (Year 2)



It has been a very busy term for us in Year 2!

We started the term by visiting Sleaford Islamic Centre, to consolidate our learning about the religion of Islam. The Imam and our hosts were very welcoming and asked us if we wanted to wear head scarfs or caps for our time in the Mosque. They talked to us about the Five Pillars of Islam, gave us a guided tour of the Mosque, taught us about the Arabic alphabet and shared dates with us, as many Muslims eat these to break their fast during the month of Ramadan.



In our history lessons, we have learnt about the Great Fire of London. We learnt how, where and why it started, and the changes made to house building after the fire. We also wrote a diary entry in English as if we were there at the time of the fire. Linked to this, we are currently putting the finishing touches to our Tudor Houses as part of our Design Technology project and are very excited for Year 2 parents to see the finished pieces at the end of term.

Our artwork this term has focussed on collage. We have been inspired by scenes from the Great Fire of London, but also Eric Carle's book 'The Tiny Seed' which linked to our science unit on plants. We used this book to create a mixed media collage, using a variety of techniques, including paint splatting and rolling. We are very proud of the finished pieces and hope you'll agree that they are very effective.



Staffing Update

As you are aware, Mrs Cottis will be joining us in late September to cover Mrs Curt's maternity leave in Year 1. I am pleased to also inform you that Mrs Cottis has agreed to take on an additional day's teaching commitment. This will be in Year 2 on a Friday, and will begin from the week commencing Monday 29th September. Mrs Walker will be responsible for Year 2 from Monday - Thursday, with Mrs Cottis assuming this role on a Friday. Prior to the week commencing Monday 29th September, Mrs Walker will be teaching in Year 2 on a daily basis. The class have already met Mrs Cottis on her interview day and both teachers will liaise closely over the course of the year to ensure consistency of teaching and learning within this class.

End of Term Events

Although we are fast approaching the end of this academic year, there are still a number of events due to take place in school over the coming days. Please see the list below for full details

Tuesday 15th July - Year 6 End of Year Production of 'School of Pop' - 5:30pm (tickets needed for admittance, please see the letter sent to Year 6 parents on 5th June).

Wednesday 16th July - School Discos (EYFS/KS1 - 4:00pm - 5:00pm/KS2 - 5:15pm - 6:15pm - please see letter sent out 3rd July).

Friday 18th July - Year 6 Oscar Ceremony - 1:45pm (tickets needed for admittance, please see letter sent to Year 6 parents on 5th June)

Monday 21st July - EFYS/KS1 Church Service - 9:30am, all welcome

Tuesday 22nd July - KS2 Church Service - 9:30am, all welcome

Before and After School Supervision

We had an unfortunate incident with two children colliding with each other before school last week, resulting in a nasty bump to the head for one of the children. Please can I ask again that parents ensure children are fully supervised before and after school, to ensure all children remain safe at these times. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Online Safety Newsletter

The July version of our Online Safety Newsletter contains information on the new Nintendo Switch 2, online challenges and transition for secondary school. To access this, please follow the link to our website [here](#).

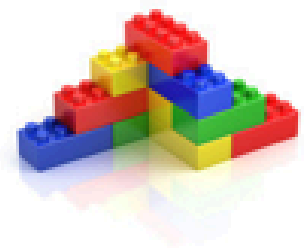
Please also click this [link](#) for the updated parent online safety booklet, which has lots of useful information on implementing parent controls.

CAN YOU HELP SUPPORT OUR WELL-BEING CLUB?

St. Andrew's Church of England Primary School, |
Leasingham

We're reaching out to our fantastic local community!

Our Well-being Club, running at lunchtimes here at St. Andrew's C of E Primary School, Leasingham, offers a safe, nurturing space for children who may need a quieter environment or a little extra emotional support during the school day.



HOW YOU CAN HELP:

We are looking for donations of Lego, toy cars, and train tracks (of any size, type or condition) to help enhance this space. These toys are brilliant for encouraging creative play, social interaction, and teamwork, and they offer children a way to relax and build friendships in a fun, calm setting.



WHY IT MATTERS:

The Well-being Club plays an important role in promoting mental health, emotional well-being, and positive social skills—things that are more important than ever.

Thank you so much for supporting the happiness and well-being of our pupils!

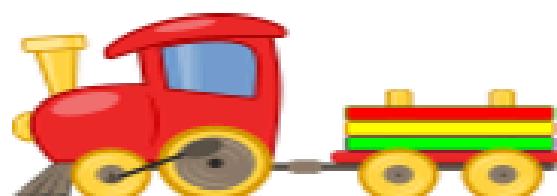
#CommunitySupport #WellbeingInSchools #StAndrewsLeasingham #CreativePlay

#MentalHealthMatters

#TrainTracksAndCars

#LegoForWellbeing

#SupportOurChildren





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FINLEY'S FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY 19TH JULY

10:00 - 17:00

RUSKINGTON VILLAGE HALL
PLAYING FIELD

Music & Children's Activities

Dance-A-Thon

Raffle Prizes

Food Vendors

Stalls

Kids Picnics

Fire Engine

....& much more

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SLEAFORD FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE OPEN DAY



- Date: Saturday 16th August.
- Time: 10:00-15:00
- Address: Eastgate, Sleaford, NG34 7EN

Live Demos



The
Fire Fighters
Charity

Food & Drink

Meet the
Crews

Raffle



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

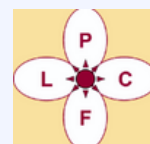
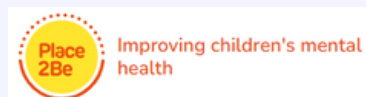
Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum

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.



Your guide to health services in Lincolnshire



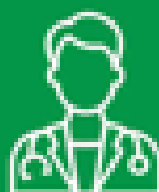
Self Care

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



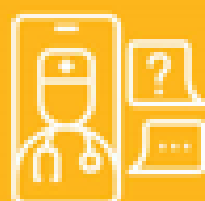
Pharmacy

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.



WaitLess

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



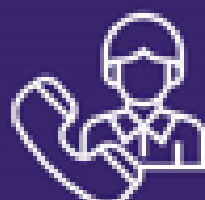
Urgent Treatment Centre

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

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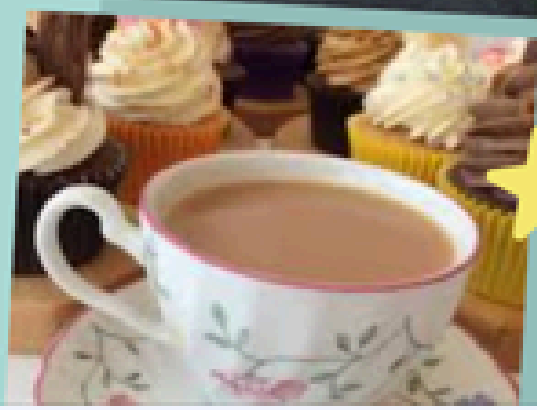
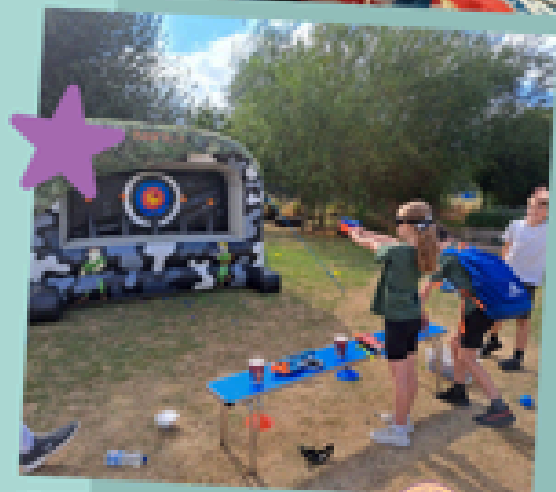
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VOLUNTEER AT ONE OF OUR
EVENTS.

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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andrews.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@st-andrews.lincs.sch.uk)



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Important Dates

- **Monday 14th July** - Annual Academic Reports due home
- **Thursday 17th July** - Wraparound Care drop in session for parents (3:40pm - 5:30pm)
- **Tuesday 22nd July** - last day of 2024/25 academic year
- **Thursday 4th September** - first day of 2025/26 academic year

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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