

— 23rd October 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

Firstly, thank you to all parents that attended this week's parent/teacher consultations. I hope that you found these useful and have received valuable information on how your child has settled into their new class and the academic progress they are making.

A reminder for Year 6 children that Bikeability sessions will be taking place during the first week back after half term. Please refer to previous correspondence as to what the children will need to have with them for these sessions.

After a long eight week term, we have finally made it to the half term break. I would like to wish all of our families and enjoyable and restful week away from school. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 3rd November.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Mr M Baker
Headteacher

Staffing Update

Today we have said goodbye to Mrs Edwards and Mrs Abbiss. We wish them all the very best for the future and thank them for their hard work and dedication to our school.

This week, we have welcomed Mrs Walsh-Horne, who has begun her role as a teaching and midday assistant. I am sure you will join me in welcoming Mrs Walsh-Horne to our school and wishing her all the very best as she begins her new role.

Member of Parliament Christmas Card Competition

Our local Member of Parliament, Dr Caroline Johnson, is running a competition to design the Christmas Card that she will use this year. The card will be sent to local organisations, other MPs, the speaker of the House of Commons and even their Majesties The King and Queen! The competition is open to any primary-aged child within this constituency. To enter, please either use the template further along in the newsletter (or you can use a blank sheet of A4 paper). Entries must not include glitter or 3D materials. Completed entries should be handed into the school office (or emailed to enquiries@st-andrews.lincs.sch.uk) by Monday 3rd November (the first day back after half term). We look forward to seeing the children's creative and colourful entries.

Clubs after half term

Autumn Term clubs will resume from Monday 3rd November, running weekly until the week ending Friday 28th November.

With the clocks going back this weekend and the evening's becoming darker, we will require all children to be collected by a known adult from after school clubs. This is to safeguard the children by ensuring that they are not walking home alone in the dark. This will be a requirement from Monday 3rd November until the end of Term 3 (Friday 13th February).

Children in Need

Children in Need will take place this year on Friday 14th November. Children are welcome to bring in Children in Need accessories e.g. Pudsey Ears but school cannot take responsibility for these if they become lost or damaged. Please note that Friday 14th November is not a non-uniform day. If you would like to make a donation to Children in Need, please do so via their official website - <https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>

Value Certificates



In last Friday's Collective Worship, we had the pleasure of presenting this term's value certificates. Our value this term has been compassion and each teacher chose one child from their class to receive this award. It was lovely to hear about the ways in which the children selected had shown this value, through showing care and consideration for others.

Congratulations to the following children:

York - Harley
Lincoln - Edward
Winchester - Archie
Canterbury - Ted
Salisbury - Darcie-Gwen
Norwich - Ebony
Southwell - Monty



Black History at St. Andrew's

This week at St. Andrew's, we have celebrated Black History Month across school. This started with a Collective Worship focusing on this area, while throughout the week, each class has looked at a figure from Black History in detail. You can find out more information on what we have been learning via our 'X' feed (@LeasStAndrews), as well as by looking at the photos below.



Prayer

Dear God,
We thank you that each of us is wonderfully made.
Thank you for the many stories and contributions of Black people, past and present.
Help us to hear their stories, to celebrate their journey, and to be united in love.
Bless our eyes to see, our ears to hear, and our hearts to understand.
Amen.



**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**



invite you to:
Messy Church to explore
Remembrance
and Loving our Neighbour



Saturday the 8th of November 2025

At the Winchelsea Centre Ruskington

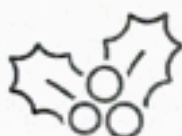
Arrival from 1.45pm, starting at 2pm

Bible Stories, Worship ,
Singing, Craft Activities, Communal Meal and Fun
Sign up online by emailing
messychurch.northlafford@gmail.com or find out more @
<https://www.facebook.com/AllSaintsRuskington/>

Dr Caroline Johnson MP's Christmas Card Competition



Name:	Age:
School:	Year:





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- An experienced staff team providing caring support for all children

Tour dates and times

- ✓ Monday 20th October - 11:00am
- ✓ Wednesday 5th November - 1:30pm
- ✓ Thursday 6th November - 11:00am
- ✓ Wednesday 12th November - 4:00pm and 5:00pm
- ✓ Thursday 13th November - 1:30pm

Please contact us to book a visit:

Tel: 01529 302388

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



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18th November 2025 at 12.30pm
3rd December 2025 at 6.30pm
16th December 2025 at 12.30pm

Book your place here,
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FAMILY
ADOPTION
LINKS

Lincolnshire

Dyslexia Outreach

Parent/Carer Workshop: Supporting Your Child At Home

A free, online workshop, sharing
strategies to support learning



Aimed primarily at parent/carers of children in KS1-3, but
open to all who would like ideas on supporting their
child(ren) with reading, spelling, maths, memory and
organisation.

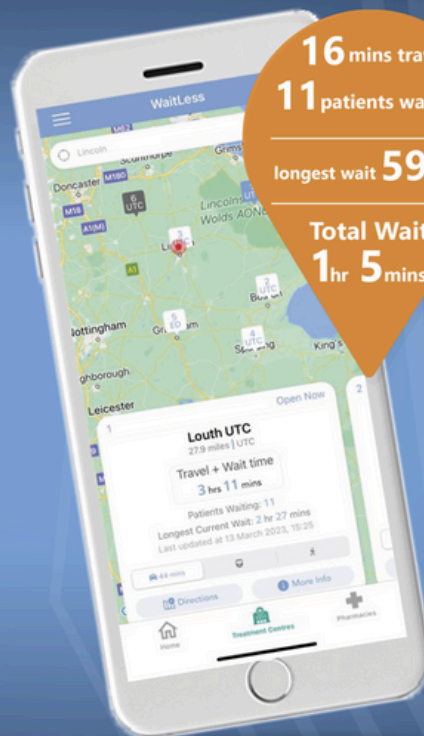
Monday 10th November 2025 at 7:00 – 8:00pm

If you would like to attend, please email Odette Read,
stating your child's school and year group:

odette.read@lincolnshire.gov.uk



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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

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

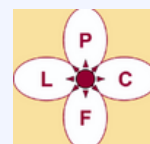
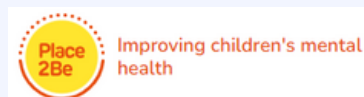
Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum

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.



LEASINGHAM ST ANDREW'S PTFA NEED YOUR HELP

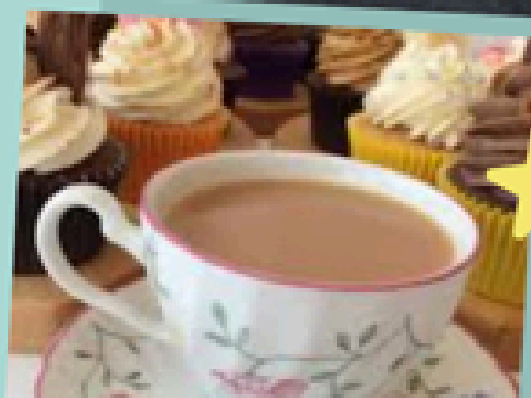
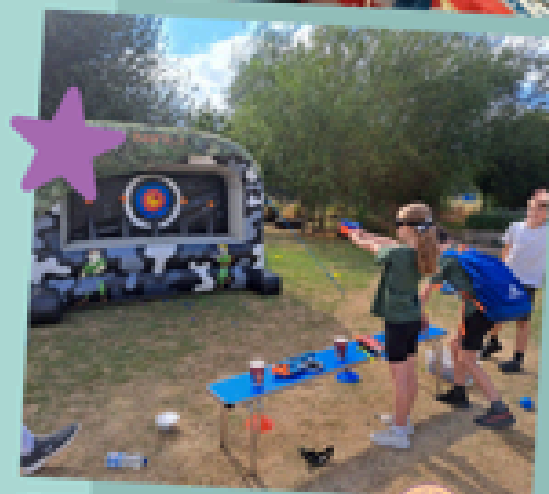
COME AND JOIN US!

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



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Important Dates

- **Monday 3rd November** - First day of Term 2
- **Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th November** - Year 6 Bikeability
- **Friday 14th November** - Children in Need
- **Monday 17th November** - Year 5 Educational Visit to Museum of Lincolnshire Life
- **Tuesday 18th November** - Year 4 Educational Visit to The Collection (Lincoln Castle)

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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