

*Every child fulfilling their potential in a nurturing learning environment underpinned by Christian values.*

Mr P Hayward: Headteacher

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020

### St Andrew's Has Done It Again!



St Andrew's has been recognised again as a school providing Gold standard sporting and physical opportunities for children in school. The Gold School Games Award is presented to schools that offer a wide range of activities, at various levels, to children in school. Up until March, St Andrew's was on track to achieve the award. This year, in addition to the gold award, St Andrew's has been presented the School Games Virtual Award for encouraging children to keep fit during the lockdown. With that in mind, instead of our annual sports day, this year, we are going to hold a virtual sports week. Look out for details in future newsletters. In the meantime, congratulations go to the children and staff who have achieved these awards. Well done!

### Painting Dandelions Tutorial

Mrs Alexander has produced another art tutorial video. In this video she shows you how to paint dandelions. Take a look and have a go! Click on the link below.

[https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=B8g5SXYvlnw](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=B8g5SXYvlnw)

### Re-Opening School Update

I have been so proud of the children returning to school this week. Each morning they have come into school calmly and have learned the new rules for keeping safe. The children have been happy and positive and have enjoyed the small classes, some with new teachers. Following the recent government announcement, I'm afraid this is going to have to continue and we won't get to enjoy the company of the children not in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. I have already begun to think about September, especially if the 2 metres social distancing rule still applies. I am not happy that

children are missing school and will work with my fellow headteachers and the board of directors to do all I can to ensure the rest of the school returns in some form.

### Home Learning Packs For the Week Commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June

Home Learning Packs for **Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5** for the week commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June will be available on the school website by Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June. Please go to

<https://www.st-andrews-weston.staffs.sch.uk/teaching-learning/>

to download packs.

\*Please note, packs for Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 6 will no longer be uploaded onto the school website. Paper copies will be available by request or packs will be emailed to parents. Please contact your child's class teacher if your child is not returning to school and you would like to receive weekly home learning packs.

**\*For children in Classes 2, 3, 4 and 5, home learning packs will continue as usual.** Paper copies can be collected from the school entrance from after 9.30am on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June. Please do not come before this time because children from Reception Class, Year 1, Year 6 and key workers' children will be arriving at school and so the school site will be relatively busy. As usual, packs will be organised into classes and placed in cardboard boxes. Please let staff in school know if you take the last pack so that extra copies can be printed before the next parent arrives. Thank you.

**Polite Request** – Really, we are grateful for the time you take to post children's work onto ClassDojo. Could I ask that work be posted in smaller batches, throughout the week, rather than posting 20 or 30 pieces of work at the end of the week. It means teachers can manage their time more efficiently and provide useful feedback as you go along. Now every teacher is in school teaching bubbles of children, their time is squeezed further. Thank you.

### And Finally...

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#### *ART COMPETITION – SELF-PORTRAIT*

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Many thanks to those of you who have sent in a self-portrait. The staff in school have also produced portraits. I am going to publish winning and staff portraits in next week's newsletter.



Here are two portraits to whet your appetite. Can you guess who they are?

The closing date for portraits is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Mr Hayward.

### Prayer Space

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you taught us to love our neighbour,  
and to care for those in need  
as if we were caring for you.  
In this time of anxiety, give us strength  
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,  
and to assure the isolated  
of our love, and your love,  
for your name's sake.  
Amen.

#### Dates for the academic year 2020 - 2021

##### **Autumn Term 2020**

Inset day: Tuesday 1 September  
Inset day: Wednesday 2 September  
Term starts: Thursday 3 September

**Half term: Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October**

INSET day: Monday 2 November  
Term ends: Friday 18 December

**Holiday: Monday 21 December - Friday 1 January**

##### **Spring Term 2021**

INSET day: Monday 4 January  
Term starts: Tuesday 5 January

**Half term: Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February 2021**

Term ends: Thursday 1 April

**Holiday: Friday 2 April - Friday 16 April 2021**  
**Easter Sunday: Sunday 4 April 2021**

##### **Summer Term 2021**

Term starts: Monday 19 April

May Day: Monday 3 May

**Half term: Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June 2021**

INSET day: Monday 7 June  
Term ends: Wednesday 21 July

Holiday: Thursday 22 July - Tuesday 31 August 2021

**Key Worker Attendance Request**

Name of child:

Year group:

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
w/c _15.6.20					
School dinners					

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
w/c _22.6.20					
School dinners					

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
w/c _29.6.20					
School dinners					

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
w/c _6.7.20					
School dinners					

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
w/c _13.7.20					
School dinners					

Comments:

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO MRS EDGECOMBI**

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