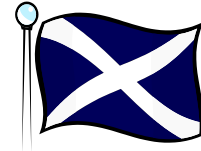


Friday 16th November 2018



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

Children In Need – Friday 16th November 2018 - Spotacular!!

They children looked spotacular on Friday! On behalf of the Children In Need charity I would like to extend a thank you for dressing up and donating money to the charity. I will announce the total raised in next week's newsletter.

Medals – Afghanistan and Jubilee

Before half term, two medals were brought into school by a child in Class 1. She wanted to show everyone them because Class 1 were making medals themselves at the time. The last time the medals were seen was when they were placed into the assembly tray in the hall. Since then the medals have not been seen. One of the medals was awarded to one of our parents for service in Afghanistan. The second medal is a Jubilee medal. The police have suggested we offer a no questions asked return. Could I politely ask parents to look in your child's belongings to see if the medals have somehow ended up there. If they have, could they be returned to school. They could be discretely returned in an envelope and placed in the white letter box in the main entrance. I'm sure, you can imagine the distress this is causing the parent. Thanking you in advance for taking the time to search for the medals.

Lectern

The worship group has been thinking of ways to improve worship in school. One thing they have said they would like is a lectern. They were wondering if a parent or grandparent would like to make one for the school.



Attendance

On Friday, I met with the headteachers of the Weston Road Academy pyramid. One of the items we discussed was attendance. We wanted to ensure that the local primary schools and the high school had the same approach to attendance. The agreement was that any unauthorised absence from school could result in a fine. I remind parents that it is essential to inform the school about any absence. If the school is not informed then this will be classed as an unauthorised absence and could result in a fine. I will of course consider exceptional circumstances. Family holidays are not considered as exceptional circumstances.

Scholastic Book Fair

Scholastic books will be in school for a week from Tuesday 27th November (opening times will be in a later Newsletter). The book fair gives parents and children the chance to purchase books and also allows the school 100% commission at this fair. I have been running these fairs twice a year since 1988 and the school has received over £26,100 worth of free books which your children benefit from in their classes. Mrs Munden

Fund Raisers

Christmas Card Shop Closes

Last Monday, you will have received a letter inviting you to purchase Christmas card designed by your child. This Monday will be the last opportunity for you to place your orders. Orders are made securely online.

STAA Personalised Mug

If anyone in your family would like a personalised mug, here's your chance. Packs will be sent home on Wednesday. Follow the instructions in the pack:

- create a design,
- fill in the order form,
- place payment in the envelope provided with your order form and design,
- return your pack to school

Bag2school

On Monday, Bag2School bags will be sent home with the children. It is an easy and convenient way to clear out your wardrobes. Collection date will be Tuesday 27th November 2018.



Open Morning

**Do you know of any families looking for a school?
Have you not had the opportunity to look around
St Andrew's school?**

On Thursday 22nd November 2018, an Open Morning for parents looking for a place in September 2019 will be held. The purpose of the event is to introduce new families to St Andrew's school.

I will deliver a short presentation and then visitors will be invited to tour the school. Please let families know who you think would be interested in coming to St Andrew's school.

Have you registered an interest for your child. If you know your child will be starting Reception Class at St Andrew's in September 2019, could you let the school office know. Thank you.

**OPEN
MORNING**
Thursday 22nd
November 2018

Place: Ferrers Road,
Weston ST18 0JN
Time: 9:30am
Presentation by the
Headteacher



A Blessing for Children

Dear God,

We praise you for your love and faithfulness. We thank you for your protection and care over our families. Thank you that you give us the power to love well; the wisdom to lead and teach our children. We know you're for us; that you fight for our families today. You are Redeemer, Restorer, and Friend, we believe you have good in store. We confess, some days, parenting is tough. Many days we can feel anxious or overwhelmed. We ask that you would make us more like you, more aware of your constant Presence in our lives. Help us to release our children to You, so that You are free to fully accomplish all that You desire, in them, through them. Please fill our families with your truth and cover us with your favour.



This Week's Celebration Assembly

This week we celebrated lots of merit certificates – Well done children.



Year 5 and 6 children are making incredible progress with their Olympic maths. We are really proud of you.



Finally...

I have received a letter this week from Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP. He wrote to congratulate the school for achieving such excellent Year 1 phonics results. Our results places the school in the top 6% in the country. I will publish the letter in next week's newsletter. I just want to thank the staff for their excellent work in achieving this.

Mr Hayward

Term Dates and Events

Autumn Term 2018

Thursday 22 November
Friday 23 November
Monday 26 November
Tuesday 27 November
Tuesday 27 November
Friday 30th November
Tuesday 4 December
Wednesday 5 December
Friday 7 December
Monday 10 December
Wednesday 12 December
Thursday 13 December
Friday 14 December
Friday 14 December
Wednesday 19 December
Thursday 20 December
Friday 21 December
Friday 21 December

OPEN MORNING – Starts at 9.30am
Class 4 Assembly – 2.30pm
Class 6 visit to Imperial War Museum
BAG2SCHOOL Collection
Book Fair Arrives
St Andrew's Day Service – **Details to be confirmed**
Book Fair leaves
Pantomime in school
Christmas Fair – 6.00pm
Christmas Discos
Reception Class and KS1 Christmas Shows 1.00pm and 6.00pm
Mid-Trent Directors Meeting – 1.00pm
Abecedarian – Special Assembly 2.30pm
Mid-Term Reports to Parents and Carers
School Christmas Dinner
KS2 Carol Concert – St Andrew's Church – 10.00am **TBC**
Whole School Talent Show
End of term - School closes at 2.30pm

Happiness - Confidence - Achievement - Family - Respect

Friday 21 December CHILL closes at 5.00pm

Christmas Holidays Monday 24 December – Friday 4 January

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7 January School opens
Monday 7 January Science Week Begins
Friday 8 February Class 1 Assembly

Half-Term Break Monday 18 February – Friday 22 February

Monday 25 February School opens
Tuesday 26 February BAG2SCHOOL Collection
Tuesday 5 March Book Fair arrives
Wednesday 6 March World Maths Day
Thursday 7 March World Book Day
Friday 8 March Mid-Term Reports to Parents and Carers
Tuesday 12 March Book Fair leaves
Friday 15 March Red Nose Day
Wednesday 20 March Parents' Evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 21 March Parents' Evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 21 March World Poetry Day
Friday 29 March Class 3 Assembly
Friday 5 April Abecedarian – Special Assembly 2.30pm
Thursday 11 April Reception Class and KS1 Easter Bonnet Service – 10.00am **TBC**
Friday 12 April End of term – School closes at 2.30pm

Easter Break Monday 15 April – Friday 26 April Easter Sunday 21 April

Monday 29 April School opens
Monday 6 May Bank Holiday – School closed
Monday 13 May End of KS2 SATs week
Monday 20 May Values week begins
Friday 24 May Family Picnic Day – **Details to be confirmed**

Half-Term Break Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Summer Term 2019

Monday 3 June INSET DAY
Monday 10 June Year 1 Phonics Screening Week
Friday 14 June BAG2SCHOOL Collection
Friday 21 June Class 2 Assembly
Monday 24 June Year 6 pupils visit Isle of Man
Friday 5 July Sports Day/Summer Fair
Monday 8 July End of Year Reports to Parents and Carers
Tuesday 9 July KS2 Performances 1.00pm (Community) and 6.30pm
Wednesday 10 July KS2 Performances 1.00pm and 6.30pm
Friday 12 July Abecedarian – Special Assembly 2.30pm
Tuesday 16 July KS2 and Leavers' Disco 6.00pm – 7.30pm
Friday 19 July School closes 2.30pm
Friday 19 July CHILL closes 5.00pm
Monday 22 July INSET DAY

Summer Holidays Tuesday 23 July – Friday 30 August

**Staffordshire County Council Term Dates for the Academic Year
2019/2020**

Please note that INSET days have yet to be added.

Autumn Term 2019

Inset day: Monday 2 September

Term starts: Tuesday 3 September

Half term: Monday 28 October - Friday 1 November

Term ends: Friday 20 December

Holiday: Monday 23 December - Friday 3 January

Spring Term 2020

Term starts: Monday 6 January

Half term: Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February

Term ends: Friday 3 April

Holiday: Monday 6 April - Friday 17 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 12 April

Summer Term 2020

Term starts: Monday 20 April

May Day: Monday 4 May

Half term: Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May

Term ends: Monday 20 July

Holiday: Tuesday 21 July - Monday 31 August

Emergency Telephone Number - 07561821107 - School visits only