



Newsletter 6



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

Mr P Hayward: Headteacher

Friday 4th October 2019

Swimathon

On Saturday 12th October 2019 the Booth family are holding a Swimathon to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy UK to support George Booth in Class 4 who has Becker muscular dystrophy.

A blue rectangular logo with the word 'SWIMATHON' in white capital letters.

Donations of £5 per child would be welcome for 30 minutes in the pool. Every participant will receive a cake and drink afterwards. Also, there will be a range of refreshments on sale for adults throughout the day.

Last year the children, who took part, swam 8 miles between them and had a great day. Can you beat it this year? Let's move some miles for muscles!

To enrol your child please telephone or message Cerys Booth on 07752356999. Times are from 09.30am through until 17.30pm. The venue has very kindly been provided, again, by Rachel and Simon Potter. The venue address is: The Old Police Station, London Road, Weston, ST18 0JS.

Food Tasting

Mrs Conway, our school cook, will be offering free food tasters to children in Key Stage 2 next week. She would welcome feedback from the children about the food being served.



Absences During Term Time

I would like to remind parents and carers of the school policy regarding child absences during term time. There is an expectation that as parents and carers you should ensure your children attend school as much as possible. If your child is poorly, please inform the school office each morning your child is absent unless you have an agreement with the school that this is not necessary.

Please avoid booking family holidays and breaks during term times. Term times and school holidays are published at least a year in advance (See end of weekly newsletters) to help you plan ahead. You may incur a fine, from the local authority, if you take a family holiday during term time, even if it is just for one day. To view the current policy in full follow the link below. Thank you.

<https://www.st-andrews-weston.staffs.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Attendance-Policy-MAT-Aut-2017-docx.pdf>



The Parent, Teacher and Friends Association of St. Andrew's School, Weston.
Brightening the future for our children

Committee 2019 - 2020



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Committee Members:

Thomas Collins, Gaynor Boycott, Fiona Kirby, Sarah Thompson, Cerys Booth, Michael Bailey, Cazz & Andy Gair, Joe Zambon, Julia Marsden, Donna Fleming, Rachel Potter.

There is still time to join the PTFA Committee this year - if you are interested.
Please speak to one of the committee members or email: staainfo@gmail.com
Registered Charity No. 1087592

New Committee

This year's Parent, Teacher and Friends Association of St Andrew's (STAA) would like to introduce themselves. They have plans to follow on from the excellent committees of previous years.

They are currently planning this year's events and intend to advertise these on the school website once they have been agreed.

They are planning exciting events for parents and carers, as well as the children.

If you would like to get involved, speak to one of the committee members and they will give you a warm welcome.

Bikeability

A polite reminder.

- The children in Classes 5 and 6 will need a bike on Monday (7th October) and Tuesday (8th October) this week.
- Please ensure bikes are in working order.
- Instructors will be leading Level 1 and Level 2 cycle proficiency training.
- Bikes can be left over night on Monday. They will be locked away safely.
- Children in Year 6 must wear a safety helmet for the Level 2 award.
- Please collect bikes on Tuesday, after school.
- Year 6 to wear non uniform on both days – appropriate clothing for cycling
- Year 5 pupils are separated into 2 groups. Year 5 pupils to wear non uniform on the day they are cycling. Thank you.



Laches Wood Meeting - Friday 11th October – 3.30pm

Miss Barnacle and Mrs Barwell are holding a meeting on Friday 11th October to run through last minute arrangements for the children visiting Laches Wood from Wednesday 16th October to Friday 18th October. Parents and children are welcome to attend. At the meeting, medical forms will be given out to be completed over the weekend. There will be an opportunity to ask any questions about the visit.

Parents' Evenings – Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th October 2019

Appointments for Parents' Evenings will be given out on Monday 7th October along with the children's mid-term reports. Please contact the school office if you have sent in an appointment request but do not receive an appointment time. Every effort has been taken to accommodate requests. Please note, that due to unforeseen circumstances, Miss Scattergood's Year 5 Parents' Meetings have been cancelled until further notice. Apologies for any inconvenience caused. I look forward to seeing you on Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Don't forget
parents'
evening!

This Week's Celebration Assembly



What a lovely ending to the week! This week the children celebrated their Rock Star Times Tables Awards. Three children have reached their next My Lexia level – well done. Two boys have, deservedly, been awarded pen licences. Excellent! Yesterday was World Poetry Day and so today most classes recited poems to the rest of the school.

Lovely.

Prayer Space

Dear Lord

Thank you for the opportunities we are given at clubs that we go to. Thank you for the chances we have to learn new things and take part in different activities.

Thank you for the opportunity we had to perform at Harvest.

Thank you for the sporting opportunities we have at school, and at home, to take part in sporting competitions. Help us not to take these opportunities for granted.

By Class 2

Term Dates and Events

Autumn Term 2019

Monday 7 October	Years 5 and 6 Bikeability Part 1
Monday 7 October	Mid-Term Reports to Parents and Carers
Tuesday 8 October	Year 5 and 6 Bikeability Part 2
Wednesday 9 October	Parents' Evening – 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 10 October	Parents' Evening – 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 10 October	Open The Book Assembly
Wednesday 16 October	Year 4 children leave for Laches Wood Residential visit
Thursday 17 October	Year 4 children at Laches Wood
Friday 18 October	Year 4 children return from Laches Wood
Friday 25 October	Year 5 Class Assembly – 2.30pm

Half term: Monday 28 October - Friday 1 November
JC Academy Kid's Activity Club in school

Monday 4 November	Inset day: Staff training
Tuesday 19 November	STAA Meeting – 6.00pm
Thursday 21 November	Open Morning 9.30am – 11.00am
Tuesday 26 November	Book Fair arrives in school
Friday 29 th November	Abecedarian Assembly – Special assembly for parents 2.30pm
Tuesday 3 December	Book Fair leaves
Friday 6 December	School Christmas Fair 5.00pm
Monday 11 November	Remembrance Service 10.45am – Parents and carers welcome
Wednesday 11 December	Reception Class and KS1 Christmas performances
Friday 13 December	Pantomime in school - pm
Friday 13 December	Mid-term reports out to parents and carers
Wednesday 18 December	School Christmas Dinner
Thursday 19 December	KS2 Carol Service at St Andrew's Church 10.00am
Friday 20 December	Talent Show
Friday 20 December	Term ends: 2.30pm
Friday 20 December	CHILL closes at 5.00pm

Holiday: Monday 23 December - Friday 3 January

Spring Term 2020

Monday 6 January	Term starts:
Monday 6 January	Science Week Begins
Thursday 9 January	Open The Book Assembly

Monday 20 January	Young Voices Concert at NEC
Thursday 23 January	Open The Book Assembly
Monday 3 February	Local Governors Meeting 6.00pm
Thursday 6 February	Open The Book Assembly

Half term: Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February
JC Academy Kid's Activity Club in school

Wednesday 4 March	World Maths Day
Thursday 5 March	Children's World Book Day – dressing up day!
Wednesday 25 March	Parents' evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 26 March	Parents' evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 2 April	Easter Bonnet Service – Reception and Classes 1 and 2 – TBC
Friday 3 April	Term ends: 2.30pm
Friday 3 April	CHILL closes at 5.00pm

Holiday: Monday 6 April - Friday 17 April
JC Academy Kid's Activity Club in school

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Summer Term 2020

Monday 20 April	Term starts: School opens as normal
Friday 8 May	May Day: Remembering VE Day

Half term: Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May
JC Academy Kid's Activity Club in school

Monday 1 June	Inset day:
Friday 17 July	Term ends:
Monday 20 July	Inset day:

Holiday: Tuesday 21 July - Monday 31 August
JC Academy Kid's Activity Club in school

Emergency Telephone Number - 07561821107 - School visits only

Dates for the academic year 2020 - 2021

Please note, INSET days have yet to be included.

Autumn Term 2020

Inset day: Tuesday 1 September

Term starts: Wednesday 2 September

Half term: Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October

Term ends: Friday 18 December

Holiday: Monday 21 December - Friday 1 January

Spring Term 2021

Term starts: Monday 4 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

Term ends: Wednesday 21 July

Holiday: Thursday 22 July - Tuesday 31 August 2021