

## St Andrew's Major Church in Wales Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022

What lovely weather for our return to school this week. On Monday's INSET day the staff continued to work on our curriculum developments and *Curriculum News* for each class will be on the website and seesaw next week. We said hello to four new pupils this week – Sienna, Rupert, Evan and Freddie, we welcome you and your families to the St Andrew's team and hope you will be very happy here. Griffin Books were finally able to join us this afternoon and each child has received a special World Book Day book to bring home. Morning Nursery will receive their books next week. Year 6 received their leavers' hoodies (thanks to the PTA) and look very smart! I cannot believe that they now begin their final term at St Andrew's. Most of Y6 were in Nursery here during my first year at St Andrew's. How time flies!



### Summer Activities

We are determined to make the most of the summer term and to try and make up for all the lost time over the last few years of the pandemic. We are already planning many trips, a jubilee celebration, sports days and leavers' activities. Some letters have already come out this week about trips so please do keep an eye on messages and the calendar on School Ping. There are still a few more trips to confirm and we will do this as soon as we can.

### Volunteers (repeated)

As a school we value the impact that volunteers have on enabling us to carry out activities such as trips and also to support pupils with extra reading practice etc. During the summer we need helpers for trips and then from September hopefully this will be extended to helpers in school. We are also thinking of starting up 'Wednesday Warriors' again (parents helping to further develop the outdoor areas). If you are interested in helping out, please contact Mrs Green to arrange an enhanced DBS application. In line with Local Authority and school policy, a DBS from another job/role is not accepted and there must be an application specifically for the role of volunteer in our school. If you have previously volunteered, there will **not** be the need to re-apply for a DBS but please let Mrs Green know if you are still interested in helping.

## Upcoming dates (all on the PING)

3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Y6 Crucial Crew visit
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 trip to Techniquet
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Rhiannon Roberts, artist to visit school
16 <sup>th</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 Swimming
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception trip to The Beach Academy
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 and Y6 CPR Training with Calon Hearts
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Nursery places offered
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3 trip to Techniquet
27 <sup>th</sup> May	Jubilee Celebration (All Nursery pupils will come to school for the afternoon only)
30 <sup>th</sup> May to 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half term break
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Stanwell transition day
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 and Year 4 visit to Llandaff Cathedral
17 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET day
20 <sup>th</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Manor Adventure Residential
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery Sports Day
29 <sup>th</sup> June	St Cyres Transition Day
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day (Rec-Y2 morning / Y3-Y6 afternoon)
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Reserve Nursery Sports Day
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Diocesan Leavers' Service at Llandaff Cathedral (Pupils only)
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception, Y1, Y2 trip to Mountain View Ranch
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers' Presentation in the Parish Hall (Y6 parents can attend)
21 <sup>st</sup> /22 <sup>nd</sup> July	INSET days

Our value for this half term is Friendship and we discussed the ingredients for a good friend in Worship on Tuesday. I told the children that I would be looking out for those children who were really proving to be super friends and I gave two Headteacher awards for this today. Well done to Miguel in Reception and Sapphire in Year 4. I have also given an award to Carys in Year 6 who has proved to be an amazing footballer. Carys plays for the County U11s but also Wales U12s and we are extremely proud of her. Good luck in the county finals against Caerphilly tomorrow Carys!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend. Don't forget the bank Holiday on Monday!

Yours faithfully,



Gen Hallett  
Headteacher

