



# St. Andrew's C.E. Primary School Newsletter

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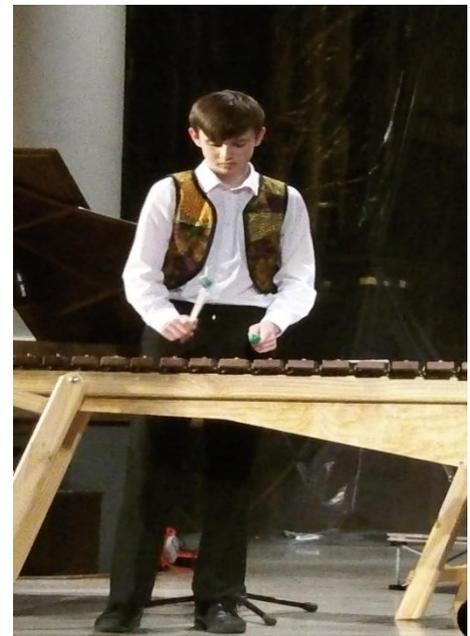
When KS1 pupils took part in the annual pilgrimage to the village churches it was a sight to behold. Led by Bishop Colin in all his finery, 110 pupils visited the Methodist Church, the Community Church and St Andrew's Church. We were welcomed, entertained given treats and gifts and when we came back to school the children completed their pilgrimage passports.

*Please could you tell the children that Bishop Colin and I greatly enjoyed our time with them yesterday and we thought they were all very well behaved. They were so*

*sensible walking along the roads and very respectful to the people in the different churches. They enthusiastically took part in all the activities they were offered, which was a delight to see. - Rev'd Jacky Barr*



Former pupil, George Radbourne, represented St Andrew's School as part of Chinnor's African Marimbas at a fundraising concert in Banbury for BEFSA. The Borien Education Foundation South Africa supports schools in the Eastern Cape and has organised the partnership we now have with Nqaba Primary School in Fort Beaufort. Our visitor, Priscilla Yoyo also performed at the concert with the other teachers from South



Africa who are also visiting schools around Oxfordshire. Children have already learned a lot about South Africa from Mrs Yoyo, during her visit to our school she talked about sustainable development and we are beginning to see how we can help and learn from each other in different ways.

The children had their final transition morning today and you will be able to come along and meet your child's class teacher after school. We hope the mornings have been helpful for the children. Looking forward to next year there are two areas of school life we will be monitoring which I would appreciate your support with. Firstly, a number of parents are taking children out of school during term time. This has been flagged as a concern from the attendance and engagement team. Over the coming weeks you will receive information to inform the impact of non attendance in school.

Secondly I have also attached a reminder of uniform expectations. Thank you to the majority of parents who ensure their children have the correct uniform. I should like to ask all parents to refer to this before purchasing uniform or hair styles for next year. If everyone complies it takes the pressure off of parents when their child requests something outside of the uniform.

Annette Mashru - Headteacher

## School Uniform

A high standard of personal appearance is required of all children. The St. Andrew's School Governors expect children to wear uniform in school and ask parents to fully support this expectation. The aim of our uniform policy is to:

- encourage pride in belonging to St. Andrew's CE Primary School.
- enable children to be comfortable, safe and secure
- protect children from social pressures to dress in a particular way
- encourage a sense of equality and cohesion
- support teaching and learning

Long hair should be tied back and extreme haircuts are not permitted.



### Winter uniform

- White shirt or white polo shirt
- Blue school polo shirt
- Blue school sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece with St. Andrew's logo
- Mid grey skirt, trousers or pinafore dress
- Mid grey trousers
- White/grey tights or socks
- Sturdy/sensible black flat/low heeled shoes (**not trainers**) with laces, buckles or velcro

### Summer uniform

- As winter and
- Blue/white check dresses
- Choice of mid-grey shorts
- Indoor shoes, black plimsolls (**not slippers**)
- Sturdy/sensible black flat/low heeled shoes (**not trainers**) with laces, buckles or velcro

### PE

- PE bag
- Dark navy shorts (Not cycling shorts)
- White T-shirt – plain or with St. Andrew's logo
- Dark navy tracksuit for winter/outdoor games
- Trainers for outdoor PE
- Swimming
- One piece swimming costume or swimming shorts, no longer than the knee
- Swimming hats must be worn by all children while in the pool.

Although set days are allocated for PE lessons, there are other times within the week where PE may take place. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day to guarantee they do not miss out on these opportunities.

To order uniform, please visit the on-line shop at [www.standrewsce.bigcartel.com](http://www.standrewsce.bigcartel.com) or follow the link on the school website.

Samples are available in the school reception should you wish to try them for size before ordering.

If everyone ensures the uniform guidelines are followed it supports parents when children ask to wear items outside of the policy e.g. black trainers instead of school shoes. If you do need clarification regarding uniform requirements, please ask your child's class teacher or the school office.

I should like to thank you in advance for your support in maintaining standards at St. Andrew's. It is lovely seeing the children looking proud and smart in school. Please ask if there is anything which needs clarification.