



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

## Newsletter

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 sat their end of KS2 SATs last term. Although the tests were extremely demanding, the Year 6 team and I were very proud of the way the children conducted themselves. The children deserve to do really well as they had such a positive approach to the week. Their results should be with us in July. Year 2 children have been working on their 'quizzes' with the same positive attitude and Year 1 have had their first taste of a test with their phonics screening this week.



Congratulations go to our year 5 young gardeners for achieving a Gold medal for their 'A Circle of Wildlife' garden entry at the Royal Horticultural Society Garden, Wisley. Special thanks to Laretta Milligan for supporting the children in this and working on the school's vegetable garden all year round. We are truly grateful for her dedication to the school.



Continuing the gardening theme, if you visited St Andrew's Church during the garden festival weekend you may have seen our contribution to the 'What's on TV?' theme. The children in Africa class worked on 'SpongeBob SquarePants' with Mrs Smith.

Sarah and Kevin from the Co Op came in last week and gave us a very interesting talk on plastic and the impact it has on the environment. It made an excellent link to the work we have been doing in school. Thank you for your support recycling the bottles for London Zoo. They were delighted with the response and have donated 4 tickets for SASA to use as a prize at the carnival. I am sure you will agree the outcome is incredible.



Thank you to Oasis Graphic Co and ZSL London Zoo for giving us the opportunity to be involved.

Although we are in the last term of the school year, things are by no means winding down. I have attached the dates as a reminder for you and the first piece of information regarding classing for next year.

Mrs Annette Mashru - Headteacher

## Staffing update

I am delighted to inform you that we shall be able to fund two full time classes throughout the school from September 2018, apart from Year 5.

Mrs Anne Gray will retire this year. Anne has been with us for three years and has supported the school as Science Leader and a Numbers Count Teacher. We wish her good luck and hope she enjoys all the opportunities that come with retirement. Mrs Craig has also decided she would like to fully retire this year but no doubt you will see her every now and again next year. We have a way of getting Mrs Craig back!

Therefore, we have appointed Miss Emily Carter Gibson (soon to be Mrs Darlington) as a full time teacher and Mrs Phee Garlick as a part time teacher from September 2018.

Class allocations will be announced early July. We have a number of in year transfers to school, therefore some year groups will have the same children in classes whilst other will change. Please be assured we take a number of factors into consideration when children change classes and every care is taken to ensure decisions made are in every child's best interests.



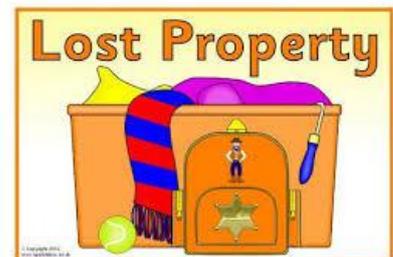
## Schoolgateway

Communication is important. A quick method and one which helps cut down on the amount of paper we use in school is our Schoolgateway. This is our main communication with you. Please watch out and read all correspondence sent to you to ensure you have the information you need regarding your child and events in school.

There are a number of lost property items without names in school. Please check your child's clothing is clearly named to ensure they do not lose it. Thank you.

### Reminder - Dates for your diary

- ✓ Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June – EYFS Cake sale
- ✓ Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Prayer Spaces on the bus
- ✓ Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June -9am parents invited to maths morning
- ✓ Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Dorchester Festival of Voices
- ✓ **Friday 22nd June – Sports day option 1 (All parents/carers welcome)**
- ✓ Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June – KS1 Pilgrimage with Bishop Colin
- ✓ Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June Brookes students leave
- ✓ **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Sports day option 2 (All parents/carers welcome)**
- ✓ Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Y6 play 6 pm
- ✓ Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 play 1.30 pm
- ✓ **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July –Y6 LWS taster day**
- ✓ Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July – SASA Summer Fayre
- ✓ Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July – LWS work experience students (week)
- ✓ Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July – Y4 to Bucks County Museum (change of venue)
- ✓ Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – whole school transition morning
- ✓ Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Music Recital – 1.30 pm
- ✓ Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Farms to Ewe – EYFS (SASA Funded)
- ✓ Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers' prom
- ✓ Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers' service at 6.30 pm
- ✓ **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Whole school "Thank you" service in school**
- ✓ **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July - MUFTI day £1**
- ✓ **Wednesday 25<sup>st</sup> July 2018 – Term 6 ends at 1.30 pm**



### Bike Shed

We have had two scooters reported missing from the bike shed in Manser. Please check your child has the correct scooter. I did notice a number of scooters are very similar and it would be advisable to name your child's scooter/bike.

Could you also remind children who are travelling to school on bikes or on scooters they need to travel safely? We have had reports of children without helmets and travelling carelessly.