



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

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is incredible how much has happened since the start of term. Year 3 had a fantastic trip to Neasden Temple. They really enjoyed the experience and developed a clearer understanding of how Hindus worship. The children were praised for their respectful behaviour on the day. Our foundation stage children have settled in very well and have quickly adapted to school life. They are enjoying the new sheltered outside area. It has meant they are able to be outside and learning in all weathers.



Year 5 pupils had an excellent residential trip to Youlbury. I should like to thank Mr Gibson, Mr Smith, Mr Hultman, Miss Blandford, Mrs Ray, Ms Boughton and the team from the C&IRB for ensuring the children had a safe and rewarding time working on their team building skills. Without staff volunteering to support these trips, they could not take place.

Parental involvement in school is a key factor to the successful outcomes for the children. Last week you should have received a request for volunteer support in school. If you can help in anyway please complete and return your form to the school office. Likewise if you have connections with companies who can offer discounts, resources or anything to support our school, please let us know via the school office.

Annette Mashru - Headteacher



Our Value this term is:



### Dates for your diary

In response to requests from last year's parental survey, the dates we have for the year are on the website but please remember we are always adding to them. If you want to download all the dates to your phone or tablet calendar there is a link at the end of the calendar which says 'Subscribe to Calendar' it will flood your calendar with all the school dates we have so far.

### Governor Vacancies

Welcome back to another academic year at St Andrew's, and on behalf of the governing team we hope your children are enjoying the new term.

It's a real privilege for each of us to play a part in shaping the direction of the school, and with it to help improve the experiences of all our pupils. I'm delighted to invite nominations to join the team. We are looking for three passionate, enthusiastic and committed parents or carers who can bring a variety of skills and experience to the task of supporting Mrs Mashru and the staff in constantly moving St Andrew's forward.

If you'd like to know more from one of the current governors please contact the school office. To register your interest, please [email Mrs Mashru] via the school office, explaining the experience and skills you would bring. We look forward to hearing from you.

Seb Hearmon,  
Chair of Governors



### Circus

Happy's Circus was a huge success despite the strong winds. The children enjoyed seeing the tent go up and some got a chance to visit inside before the acts started, Thank you to the swimming pool team for organising such an amazing event to support the funding our much valued community pool. What an achievement!



### Health and Safety

#### Driving and Parking



### Road Safety

I have had contact from a resident who has expressed his concern for the children's safety and neighbours access during pick up and drop off times. He reported parking was unsafe and drivers were driving at speed, arriving late to school or rushing to get away quickly. He described it as 'an accident waiting to happen'. I should like to remind drivers approaching and leaving all three school entrances to consider pedestrians and our neighbours in the interests of their safety. On a similar note could I ask drivers to observe the school signs when accessing the site with a vehicle?

#### Allergies



We have a number of children in school who have food allergies. Please be mindful of this with lunch boxes and sending food in to school for birthdays etc. Two particular food products we need to raise awareness on are nuts and uncooked eggs. If you should need any clarification please see your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.