



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

Tuesday 15th January 2019



Dear Parents and Carers,

The term started with the whole school committing to a 'New Year's Resolution' to be Ready, Respectful and Safe.

Ready

- School uniform
- Listening
- PE Kit
- Be on time
- Stop on the whistle

Respectful

- Listen to others and expect to be listened to
- Appropriate language and Tone
- Look after the building, displays and equipment
- Represent the school at its best when wearing the school uniform

Safe

- Be in the right place at the right time
- Keep hands, feet, objects and personal comments to yourself
- Follow the rules when using internet and electronic equipment both in and out of school
- Report any problems to an adult

The children have responded well to this as part of the school's positive approach to behaviour management. The children have returned to school full of enthusiasm for the year ahead.

As a 'Restless School' you will know we are always looking for something to give the children a new experience. There is much in the media regarding time spent on screens and as a school we know we are lucky to have the grounds we have for children to learn outside. We have decided to offer children the opportunity to start an Activity Experience Passport as they enter Foundation Stage. I have shown this to some older children and they have said they would like to take part in the initiative too. Therefore this will be offered to all children this year. The 'My Activity Passport' list is part of the Education Secretary's vision for every child to have the opportunity to enjoy new and varied experiences, no matter their background - comprising of key areas: drive and tenacity; sticking at the task at hand; understanding how to work towards long term goals when reward might be a long way off in the future; and being able to pick yourself up and bounce back from life's challenges. To see the types of challenges the children will experience please go to:

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/documents/50-things-activity-list.pdf

Information regarding the above will follow in the next few weeks.

Annette Mashru - Headteacher

Staffing update

I am delighted to inform you we have appointed two new teaching assistants to work in the mornings. Mrs Tricia Prescott will work as a key worker in year 5 and Mrs Liz Ayre will work in Foundation stage.



Website

Have you visited the school website lately? I have had lots of positive feedback from visitors to the school. There is a new video on the school information page and Miss Revill is already working on the next one.

Dates for your Diary Term 3 and Term 4

Please remember we like to take opportunities as they arise for the children. An event may appear on the calendar without much notice because it is too good to miss.

January 16th - Year 6 to visit the John Radcliffe Hospital – IMPs

January 17th – Phonics presentation for Y1 parents

January 18th – SATS presentation for Y2 parents

January 23rd - Height and Weight checks for EYFS and Year 6

January 25th – Rabbi visit for Year 4

January 25th – Year 4 cake sale

January 29th - Oxford Brookes University workshop for Year 6

February 5th – Music recital

February 9th – SASA Quiz

February 11th - Parents' evening

February 12th - Parents' evening

February 15th - Year 3 Cake Sale

March 2nd – Craft day 11-2pm

March 5th – Kingswood presentation to Year 5 parents

March 6th – Writing presentation for EYFS parents

March 7th Youlbury presentation to Year 4 parents

March 19th – Year Y1 Natural History Museum

March 22nd – Y2 Cake Sale

March 26th – Year 4/5 Production

March 27th – Year 4/5 Production

April 2nd Y5 to Millenium Stadium

April 3rd Y3 to Lincolnsfields

April 4th Mufti Day

April 5th – Term ends 1.30pm

April 23rd - INSET DAY

