







# Mary Howard & St Andrew's Primary Schools Spring Term Friday 31st January 2025

It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.

Parable of the Mustard Seed- Matthew 13:31-32



Koinonia-Wisdom-Love-Perseverance

# Message from Miss Mills

#### Dear families

This week, our schools have embraced the spirit of Koinonia, which emphasises community, fellowship, and mutual support. We have witnessed this beautiful value in action throughout our classrooms and during break times, but it truly shone brightly when our two schools came together to compete in the Year 3/4

Athletics Tournament at Rawlett.

The excitement and camaraderie displayed by our children during the tournament were heartwarming. They not only showcased their athletic skills but also demonstrated teamwork and encouragement for one another. As it is written in the Bible, "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20). This quote perfectly encapsulates the essence of Koinonia that we strive to foster within our school community.

Looking ahead, we are thrilled to announce that there will be more sporting competitions on the horizon. These events provide wonderful opportunities for our children to engage, compete, and build lasting friendships with their peers.

Additionally, we are excited to collaborate with local schools for the upcoming Tamworth Arts Festival. This partnership will allow our children to express their creativity and showcase their talents in a vibrant community setting.

We are incredibly proud of our students and the spirit of Koinonia that they embody. Thank you for your continued support as we nurture a thriving community where everyone can grow and flourish.

Warm regards,

#### **Rachel Mills**

Executive Head
Mary Howard and St Andrews Primary Schools

# WFFK 1





#### TUESDAY

**Veggie Cottage Pie** 

Chicken Nuggets with Diced

Vegetables of the day or salad

Yogurt or Jelly

#### THURSDAY

Vegetable and Bean Burrito

Pork Sausages and Mashed Potato

Vegetables of the day or salad

Chocolate Sponge with Mint

### MONDAY

Macaroni Cheese with Garlic

Beef Chilli Con Carne with Brown

Vegetables of the day or salad

Chocolate Brownie

#### WEDNESDAY

Homemade margherita pizza Homemade BBQ Pizza topped

Vegetables of the day or salad and crinkle cut wedges

Jammy Shortbread Biscuit

#### **FRIDAY**

Quorn Sausages

Breaded Cod

Peas, salad or beans and Chips

**Toffee Apple Sponge** 

# WEEK 2



Our primary school menus comply with the Government's food and nutritional standards, meeting an average of 53

for each meal

### TUESDAY

Veggie Sausage Roll with Wedges Ham Carbonara with Pasta and Garlic Bread

Vegetables of the day or salad

THURSDAY

Sticky Honey Glazed Chicken with

ON THE SIDE Vegetables of the day or salad

Fruit Mousse or Jelly

Pudding with Gravy

**Ginger Sponge** 

Brown and White Rice

**FRIDAY** 

Tomato and Basil Pasta Bake with

**Breaded Cod and Chips** 

Vegetables of the day or salad

Raspberry Ripple Ice Cream

#### MONDAY

Veggie Bolognaise and Pasta with Garlic Bread Chicken Katsu Curry with Brown

and White Rice

Vegetables of the day or salad

Homemade Cookies

## WEDNESDAY

Vegetables of the day or salad and crinkle cut wedges

Rice Krispie Cake

#### Bake with Garlic Bread Baked Chicken Faiita with

**Diced Potatoes** 

Vegetables of the day or salad

Mediterranean Veg Pasta

TUESDAY

WEEK 3

Homemade Cookies

### **THURSDAY**

Quorn and Leek Pastry Crown Roast Chicken and Yorkshire pudding

Vegetables of the day, mashed potatoes and gravy

Chocolate Sponge

### MONDAY

CHOOSE FROM

Cauliflower and Broccoli Bake topped with Cheese

Pork Sausage Roll

ON THE SIDE

Vegetables of the day or salad and diced potatoes

Apple Sponge Cake

### WEDNESDAY

CHOOSE FROM

Mandmade Margherita Pizza Homemade Chicken Pizza

Vegetables of the day and crinkle

Flapjacks with Raisins

#### \_\_\_\_\_ **FRIDAY**

CHOOSE FROM

Sweet Potato and Chickpea Curry with Brown and White Rice **Breaded Cod and chips** 

ON THE SIDE Vegetables of the day or salad

Fruit or Jelly

Light bite options available. Daily sandwiches, jacket potatoes with fresh daily fillings

# What's coming up this week...

### **Monday 3rd February**

PE Kits

After School Dodgeball Club - St Andrew's 3:30 - 4:30pm

### **Tuesday 4th February**

Parent Forum St Andrews 2:45pm

### **Wednesday 5th February**

Class 1 Tamworth Castle Trip

#### **Thursday 6th February**

#### **Friday 7th February**

PF Kits

Rock up & read - 8:45-9:15am

#### **Church Dates - St Andrew's**

- 25th Mar 9:15 to 9:45am Mothers Day Service
- 10th Apr 9:15 to 9:45am Easter Service & Let Your Light Shine

#### **Church Dates - Mary Howard**

- 27th Mar 9:15 to 9:45am Mothers Day Service
- 8th Apr 9:15 to 9:45am Easter Service

#### Please access the Schools' website for key events -

Mary Howard- <u>Upcoming Events | Mary Howard CE Primary School</u>

St Andrew's- <u>Upcoming Events | St. Andrew's CE Primary School</u>

(st-andrews-cliftoncampville.staffs.sch.uk)

## Dates to note...

#### **February**

- WC 3rd Feb Children's Mental Health Week
- 5th Feb Class 1 trip to Tamworth Castle
- 11th Feb Safer Internet Day
- 12th Feb Valentines Disco 3:30-5pm SA
- 12th Feb Non uniform day SA £1 donation
- 13th Feb 3:30 to 5:45pm KS2 Swimming Heats at Belgrave
- 13th Feb 3pm St Andrew's Living out our school vision
- 14th Feb 9am Mary Howard Living out our school vision
- Half term 17th -21st Feb Return to school Mon 24th Feb
- 27th Feb 2:45pm Parent Forum MH

#### March

- 2nd March Pancake Race to register for tickets www.fomh.co.uk
- 6th Mar 8:45 to 9:15am Rock up & Read World Book Day!
- 12th Mar Class 1 Mothers Day Lunch Please book your place by Feb 24th!
- 19th Mar Class 2 Mothers Day Lunch Please book your place by Feb 24th!
- 26th Mar Class 3 Mothers Day Lunch Please book your place by Feb 24th!
- 21st March Red Nose Day
- 26th Mar-Non Uniform Day-Chocolate Donations please MH
- 28th Mar Momissons
- 31st Mar 1st Apr Bikeability MH Further Info to follow

#### April

- 3rd Apr Non Uniform-Easter Egg donations please MH
- 8th Apr 5pm to 7pm (approx.) Easter Bingo MH
- 7th 9th Apr Bikeability **SA** Further Info to follow
- 10th April 6-8pm KS2 Swimming Gala Final at Snowdome
- 11th Apr 9am **MH** Let your light shine

# St Andrew's Events



# Mary Howard Events



## Reminders

This is a friendly reminder for those attending the Tamworth Castle Trip on February 5th (Class 1 and some Year 2 students at St. Andrews):

Permission Forms: Please ensure you complete the permission form that was sent out via Dojo this week as soon as possible.

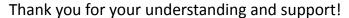
Payment: Kindly make the payment on ParentPay at your earliest convenience, but no later than Friday, January 31st.

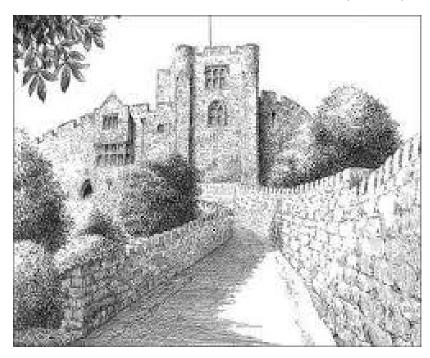
Additionally, we have sent out forms on Dojo for our Mother's Day lunches.

If you wish to attend, please follow these steps:

Complete the Form: Fill out the form for the specific date you wish to attend.

Payment: Make your payment on ParentPay by Monday, February 24th. Please note that we will not be able to accept further orders after this date. If you have children in different classes and wish to attend only one lunch, please indicate on the form that you would like your other children to join you for that lunch.

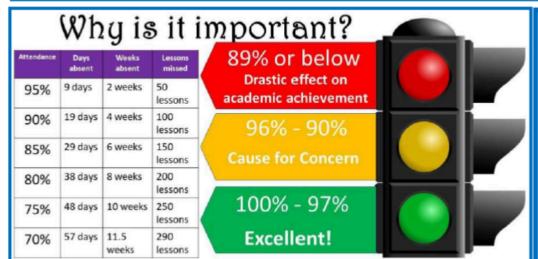






## Attendance





Across the TSSMAT we expect good attendance to ensure that all pupils are able to take full advantage of the education available to them. Good attendance matters.

Pupils who have good attendance: Get better jobs in the future, Achieve better results, Make better friendships, Have good self-esteem and confidence

We strive for every child to achieve 96% attendance or higher. Please do not be offended if you are told that we are concerned about your child's attendance or if you receive a letter of concern. Attendance falls under the category of safeguarding and it is our duty of care to challenge and support attendance. If we can help in any way please contact Miss Mills or the office. Thank you.

#### **Medical Appointments**

Could we kindly remind

parents, to try and book medical appointments outside of school times. We do understand that there are occasions when this is not always possi-

Thank you!

#### Little Heroes Attendance

We are excited to announce the return of our Little Heroes Attendance Initiative for the current academic year. You will see posters and other promotional materials displayed throughout the school to raise awareness of this programme.

In each classroom, there is a sticker chart where pupils' names are displayed. Every day a pupil attends school and arrives on time, they will receive a sticker next to their name on the chart. The "Hero" acronym stands for "Here Everyday Ready and On Time" - the key pillars of this initiative.

The Little Heroes Attendance Initiative will run throughout the year. Pupils who maintain 100% attendance and punctuality each half term will be rewarded with a certificate.

For more detailed information about the programme, please visit the dedicated webpage at Staffordshire.gov.uk/littleheroes.

We appreciate your continued support in encouraging strong attendance habits among our pupil community. Together, we can ensure all our pupils have the best possible start to their day and access the full benefits of their education.

For the TSSMAT Attendance policy, please click the link:

Mary Howard: https://maryhoward.staffs.sch.uk/parents/attendance-

absence

### **Spring Term 2025**

**Inset:** Monday 6th January

**Term Starts:** Tuesday 7th January

Holiday: Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February

Term Ends: Friday 11th April

Holiday: Monday 14th April – Friday 25th April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 20th April

### **Summer Term 2025**

Term Starts: Monday 28th April

May Day: Monday 5th May

Holiday: Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May

Inset: Monday 2nd June

**Term Ends:** Friday 18th July

Inset: Monday 21st July

Holiday: Monday 21st July – Friday 29th August