



St Andrew's Academy Family Update Newsletter

Summer Term 2

12th June 2026



Headteacher's Welcome

Today we welcome back our Duke of Edinburgh Students who have walked all the way back from Alvaston Castle after camping out last night in very wet weather! We'll be lining the drive as they return to school and cheering the last steps of an incredible achievement. This will be the final outcome of an outdoor education programme that started for them in Yr7 and that every young person at St Andrew's has the benefit of learning from. For those pupils who the Duke of Edinburgh programme does not meet their need, we deliver the JAS Award <https://jasaward.org.uk/> This is an award that is fully accessible and enables and empowers every learner to be able to benefit from outdoor learning and explore their potential in the world around them.

Whilst there is significant research to back up the advantages of outdoor learning and the Duke of Edinburgh Award, you only need to ask the young people about their experiences and

witness the joy of learning to know that this is a key cornerstone of our offer and one we continue to enhance year on year!

David Braybrooke - Headteacher

New Parent App (Arbor) - From Sep 2026



WE ARE MOVING TO ARBOR!!!

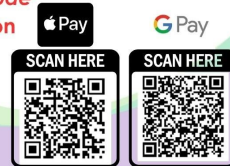
From September 2026, St Andrew's Academy will be introducing the new Parent App - Arbor. Please support communication by downloading it now!

We currently use Arbor in school to complete registers and assess student progress and from September we will also be using it for all of the below:

- Paying for student dinners and trips
- Purchasing items from the school shop
- Booking a time slot for Parents Evening
- Reporting a student absence
- Checking and informing school of any changes to parent/student contact details
- Checking your child's attendance

All we ask that you do now, in advance of September, is to download the FREE Arbor App (you can scan the QR code to download the App) or search on your App Store for Arbor.

Login details will be sent out in September.



Coffee Morning - 17th June



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9am - 10am

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This week in Science, our Fair Isle recycling detectives were hard at work! 🌱

The Fair Isle team explored different materials and sorted them into plastic, cans, and glass. They all worked to decide where each item belonged. We are so proud of the fantastic work plus the problem-solving, and recycling skills shown by all our recycling detectives. Who knew we had so many expert recyclers in Fair Isle?

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This week in PSHE, the students have been learning about their future and exploring the life cycle of adulthood, including the different stages and milestones people may experience as they grow older.





Therapy Input



This week in the therapy room, we had physio clinic. A group of students had a review on their exercises and the amazing progress they have made :) Well done everyone!



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TJ's Army

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Home to School Travel Service - A message from Derby City Council



Home to School Travel Service School/College Newsletter – March 2026

Hello!

Welcome everybody to the Home to School Travel Service Newsletter.

It's March already, and we are in full swing with planning for the September 2026 intake!

Our application window opens soon, so please encourage all parents to complete their applications during this window to allow us sufficient time to plan routes etc., ready for September. Please see below details of who will need to apply/re-apply.

Applications for Travel Assistance for 2026-2027

**The on-line application for travel assistance for 2026-2027 opens on 01 April 2026.
Applications received before this date, will be automatically refused.**

Who needs to apply?

A new application must be completed if any of the bullet points below apply:

- ❖ Family is applying for travel assistance for a child for the first time.
- ❖ A child is starting school in Reception class in September 2026.
- ❖ A child is starting a new school in September 2026.
- ❖ A child is moving into Year 3 in September 2026 (Infant to Junior Schools only).
- ❖ A child is moving into Year 7 in September 2026.
- ❖ A child is moving into Year 12 in September 2026 (e.g., sixth form or college).
- ❖ A student is currently in post 16 or post 19 education and will be continuing in education in September 2026 (post 16 learners and adult learners must apply every year).
- ❖ Applying for a bus pass for a child for academic year 2026-27.



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- ❖ Moving to a new home address before September 2026.

Please note: If none of the above apply, and a child already receives travel assistance, this will remain in place for academic year 2026-27.

How to apply?

The on-line application window is open between 01 April 2026 and 31 May 2026. Families can apply by using the link below. If an application is received after 31 May 2026, it will still be processed, but travel assistance arrangements may not be in place for the start of the autumn term. Before making your application, please read our policy at: -

<https://www.derby.gov.uk/media/derbycitycouncil/contentassets/documents/education/send/travel/hst-assistance-policy-2025-2026.pdf>

<https://www.derby.gov.uk/media/derbycitycouncil/contentassets/documents/education/send/travel/hst-assistance-post-16-policy-statement-2025-2026.pdf>

If a student wishes to apply for travel assistance, independently of a parent or carer, they must be age 18 or over.

Supporting documents e.g., Education, Health, and Care Plan (EHCP), medical evidence, proof of free school meals, proof of baptism will need to be included with the application.

Families who do not have access to the Internet should visit a local library or the Council House for free computer and Internet access to complete the online application.

Please note: Responses provided on the online application form MUST be in relation to the school that a child will be attending from September 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact the team via email: schooltravel@derby.gov.uk, or by telephone 01332 642716.

For more information about the Home to School Travel Service please see [Home to School Travel Assistance - Derby City Council](#)

Home to School Travel Service Update:

We have welcomed Lynne onto the team! Lynne joined us in January 2026 and is supporting the team by making sure our systems are all working. Lynne also oversees our appeals process and is the Clerk at Stage 2 appeal hearings.

For information about the whole team, please go to the end of this newsletter.



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Mileage Allowance and Post -16 Personal Travel Budgets Update:

The summer term payment is due to be paid to parents during Easter 2026. Email requests for attendance data have already been sent to schools. Due to the way Easter falls and the Council's financial closedown, please provide the attendance data for the spring term by no later than 11 March 2026.

Detentions:

We have had some recent experience of students who are on Council Organised Transport receiving after school detentions. If school is giving this sanction, they must contact the transport provider and cancel the transport as the crews cannot wait until the detention is over. The responsibility for collecting a child following after school detention is with the parent/carer.

NEW: Designated safeguarding inbox for schools

The Home to School Travel Service have created a new inbox for schools to use in the case of safeguarding incidents/concerns.

Please use this inbox instead of the general school travel one for anything related to safeguarding. The email address is safeguarding.htst@derby.gov.uk

Please **DO NOT** give this address to parents.

Meet the Team (Snapshot of Duties):

Carole:

Carole is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead. Please contact Carole for any safeguarding concerns.

Matthew:

Matt is responsible for processing travel assistance applications. Please contact Matt if you have any queries about your application. Matt is also the Presenting Officer at Stage 2 appeals.

Lauren:

Lauren is responsible for making the mileage allowance payments and post-16 PTB payments. Please contact Lauren if you have any questions about your payment.

Amelia:

Amelia is responsible for supporting Matt with processing applications. Please contact Amelia if you have any queries about your application.



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Lynne:

Lynne is responsible for making sure our systems are all working. Lynne also oversees our appeals process and is the Clerk at Stage 2 appeal hearings.

Helen:

Helen is the Designated Safeguarding Lead and is responsible for the day to day running of the team.

Tom:

Tom is the Commissioning Manager and the strategic lead for the Home to School Travel Service. He is responsible planning, policy development, performance and quality.

Contacts:

General Enquiries:

Schooltravel@derby.gov.uk

Telephone: 01332 6427416

Designated Safeguarding Concerns:

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School Term and Holiday Dates



Sf Andrew's Academy School Term and Holiday Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term							Summer Term							Bank Holiday (Shut to all)						
Spring Term							School Holiday							Inset Day (Shut to students)						
September 2025 (19 days)							October 2025 (18 days)							November 2025 (20 days)						
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195 Days – including up to 5 days to be taken as professional development days for teaching staff.



St Andrew's Academy School Term and Holiday Dates 2026-2027

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	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term

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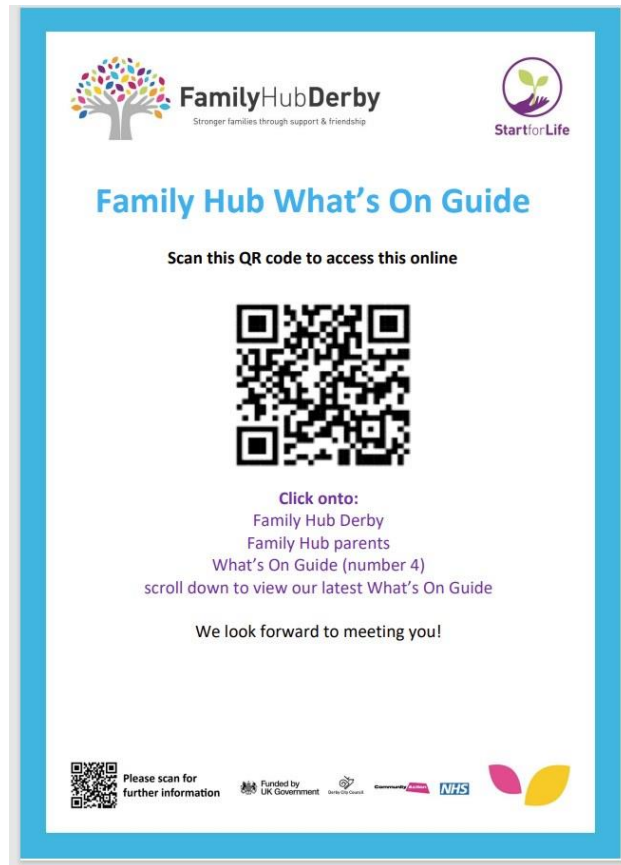
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The poster features a soccer ball on the right side and the St. Andrews Football Club crest in the top right corner. The crest is a shield with a red cross, a white figure, and the letters 'S', 'T', 'F', 'C' and 'SAINTS' on a banner. Below the banner is 'EST 1978'. The background is a dark, blurred image of a soccer field.

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