



St Andrew's Academy Family Update Newsletter

Spring Term 1

14th March 2025

Headteacher's Welcome



It was a huge pleasure to welcome so many families and friends at our Outdoor Ed open evening on Monday evening. Opportunities to connect and network with our school community are always hugely valuable and I hope everyone who attended enjoyed all aspects of the evening. Another opportunity to connect with the school community has arrived in the form of a Family Fun Day hosted by one of our parents and a powerful advocate for young people with additional needs. Please see the flyer attached for full details and I look forward to seeing as many people as possible on Saturday 24th May.

David Braybrooke - Headteacher

TJA Army Family Fun Day

FUNDRAISER

Join us for a fantastic day of games, laughter, entertainment to support St Andrews Academy

12PM-4PM
Saturday 24th May

The pavilion, Derby
DE24 9HY



Fun Games



Entertainment



Bouncy castles

TICKET ADMISSION

OPEN FOR ALL AGES

BUY TICKETS HERE



Easter Activities

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EASTER
HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
2025

Holiday Club £26
10.30am - 1pm **6-12 Years**
9th April at Derby Arena
14th April at Markeaton Park

You need:
• Your own bike & helmet
• To be able to ride unaided
• Backpack with snacks & drink

30 minute skills and confidence session followed by a 120 minute ride

New to two wheels
4-8 Years 10am - 11am **£12**
9th April at Derby Arena
14th April at Markeaton Park

Mini cycling club for those new to two wheels! You will need:
• Your own bike, helmet and drink
• To be able to ride unaided

All activities must be booked in advance
To book call 07827 879647 or email cyclederby@derby.gov.uk

www.cyclederby.co.uk

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cycle derby

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2025



Trackdays

Day Session at
Derby Arena **9-16 Years**

You need:

- To be a competent cyclist
- Appropriate clothing
- A packed lunch & drink

8th & 15th **£36**
April

10am - 3pm



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Learn^{to}Ride
at Markeaton Park

For children getting onto two wheels for the first time or those who have *almost* mastered it. Own bike preferred but not essential.

£21

50 Minute Sessions available

10am, 11am, 12noon
1.30pm & 2.30pm



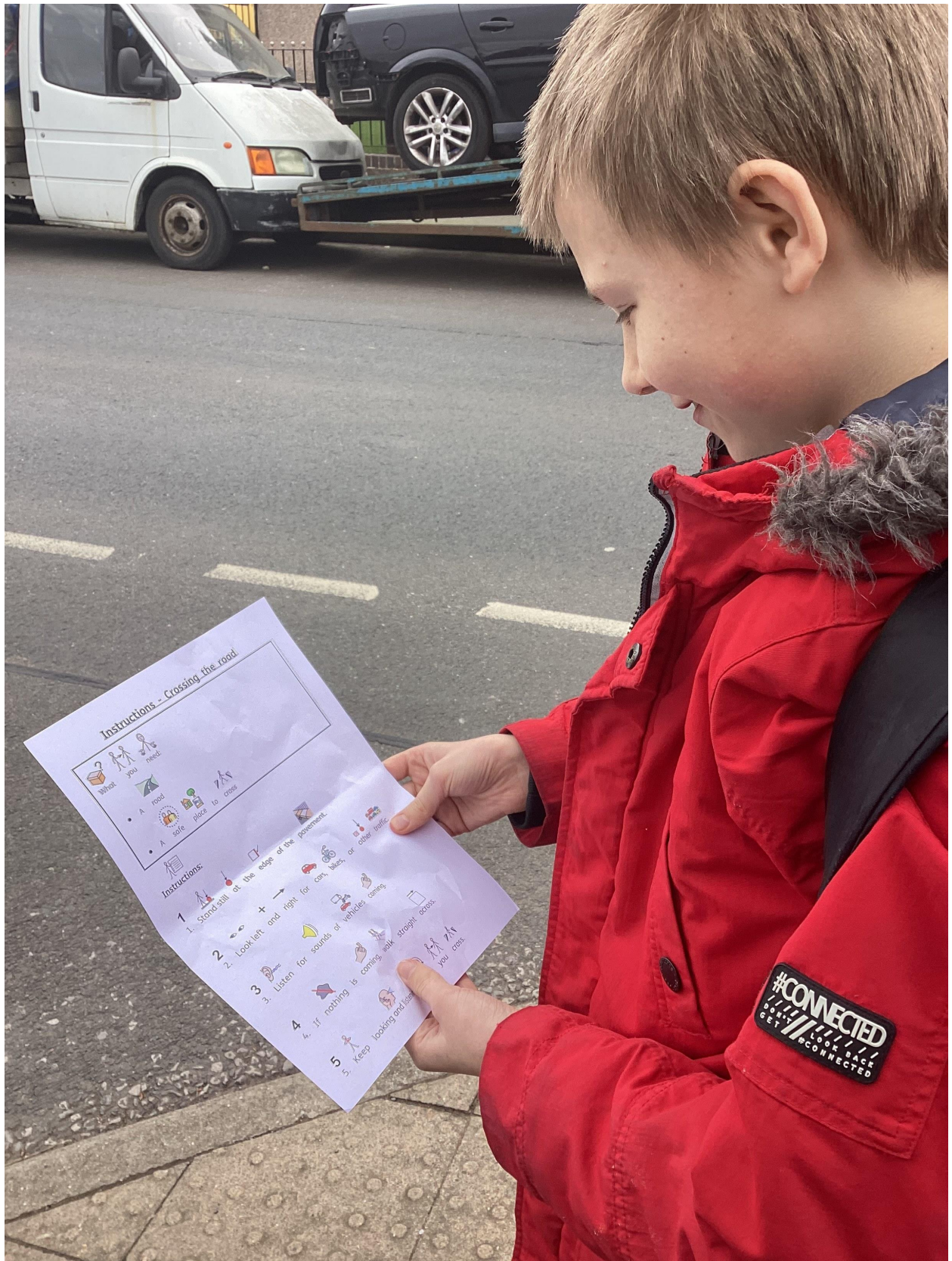
April
7th, 9th 10th,
11th, 14th & 16th

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or call 07972 268171

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Key Stage 3



Instructions - Crossing the road

- What you need
- A road
 - A safe place to cross

Instructions:

1. Stand still at the edge of the pavement.
2. Look left and right for cars, bikes or other traffic.
3. Listen for sounds of vehicles coming.
4. If nothing is coming, walk straight across.
5. Keep looking and listening as you cross.

#CONNECTED
DON'T LOOK BACK
GET RECONNECTED

This week Lewis class have been practising their road crossing skills using instructions in English. The students were able to read their instructions and follow the steps to be able to cross over the road safely and with ease.





Key Stage 4

March Fixture: Multi-Schools League - St. Andrews vs. Ivy House School

The March fixture of the Multi-Schools League saw an exciting and high-scoring table cricket match between St. Andrews and Ivy House School. Both teams gave it their all, showing great skill and determination throughout the game.

In an exhilarating contest, Ivy House School emerged victorious with a final score of **84 to 64**. The match was packed with action, with both teams displaying their talent and sportsmanship.

A special mention must go to the young leaders who played an integral role in making the event a success. These dedicated students took charge of setting up the match, running the event smoothly, and supporting their peers with encouragement and guidance. Their leadership and teamwork ensured that everything ran efficiently and helped create a positive, supportive environment for all participants.

Every learner involved from both schools showed great character, sportsmanship, and resilience. This match not only demonstrated the competitive spirit of the Multi-Schools League but also highlighted the power of collaboration and community among the schools.

Congratulations to Ivy House School on their win, and well done to both teams for an unforgettable match!

The Glens

This week in the awesome Skye class, we have been looking at the sequence of brushing teeth.

Students used their own brushes, as well as using large model teeth to display their skills.

Brilliant work Skye students!... keep smiling bright!

The Highlands



Students in the Highlands very much enjoyed the outdoor ed evening held on Monday. Students enjoyed exploring the different activities including roasting marshmallows and making leaf crafts!

In class, Jura have been finessing their fine motor skills to improve their independence and to make steps to achieve their EHCP physical and sensory targets. Students have been doing activities such as using tweezers to pick up shapes submerged in jelly, threading and buttering their own bread for a sandwich.

Taransay have been using their creative thinking skills this week to make dream catchers and boats. For our topic work on the modern world, students have been exploring the 2000's! Students have used their critical thinking skills to recall information and enjoyed making their own noughties dream catchers. For team challenge this week, students have used their problem solving skills to make their own boats and tested them on water to see if they float or sink.

Iona class have been continuing their learning on the Eat Well plate by matching food from different food groups to the correct portion on the plate. Students have shown fantastic independence while completing their work.







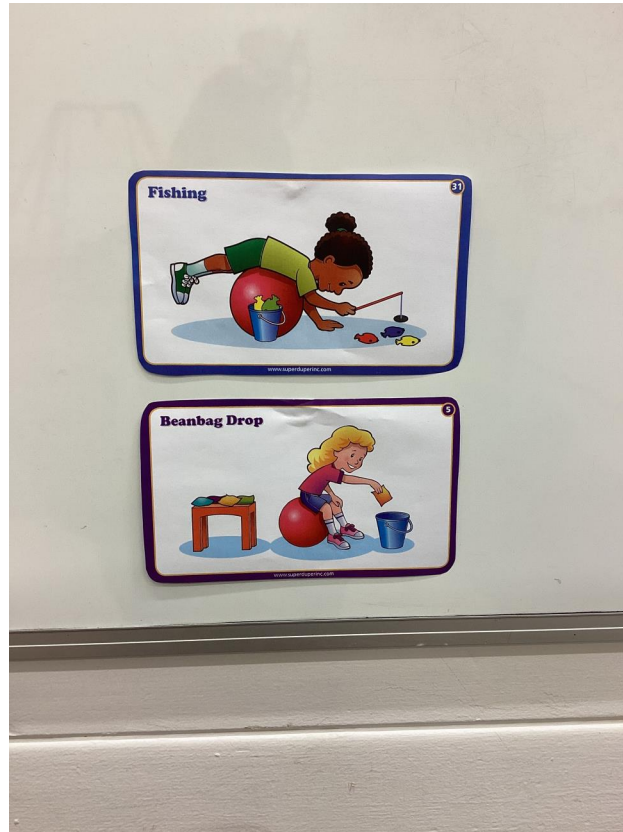


Therapy Input



A group from Campus access a sensory integration session on Wednesdays. They have access to all the OT equipment as well as some 1:1 interventions with staff.

This week, we focused on core strengthening when on the therapy ball. We completed activities such as a fishing game while rolling over the top of a ball, engaging our midline by sitting on a therapy ball and leaning over to move beans bags from side to side.







Residential Department



Another busy week in residential. On Monday students enjoyed attending the D of E Outdoor Evening. They were able to socialise and toast marshmallows around the camp fire, look at tents, and explore various forest school based crafts.

All residential students also attended Residential Voice. Every half term the Head of Care chairs the meeting and regular agenda items are discussed in this forum. Topics include fire safety, evacuation procedures, residential rules, activity plans, staff and student updates, 'WOW moment' winners or any grumbles they might have about residential. Students are helped and encouraged to contribute as much as they wish.

Another fantastic week at karate too!



1 - Another big thankyou to John Johnston and the team for our Inclusive karate sessions.

SEN United: Upcoming football matches

NEXT MATCH

CHARITY FUNDRAISER
FRIDAY 14TH MARCH 2025
8:00PM KICK-OFF
ILKESTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

 **VS** 

SEN UNITED **DERBYSHIRE UNITED FC**

RAISING MONEY FOR:



#WeAreSEN Ready to support SEN?
@bookmark
LEAD'S SERVICES
TAG
LEISURE UNITED
move more Derby
GUILD BASH DESIGN
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NEXT MATCH

CHARITY FUNDRAISER
FRIDAY 28TH MARCH 2025
8:00PM KICK-OFF
DERBY RACECOURSE (DE21 6AJ)



VS



**SEN UNITED
LADIES**

**HEANOR LADIES
FC**

RAISING MONEY FOR:



Free breakfast event at Key College 19th March



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DERBY OR
ILKESTON**

 **YMCA KEY COLLEGE**
Accredited vocational training courses for
young people

OPEN EVENT

WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH 9AM - 10AM

Join us at our breakfast event and discover how
YMCA Key College can unlock your future.



Enjoy a light breakfast, meet our tutors and find
out about our courses.

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Autism & ADHD workshops for parents Jan-April 2025



Autism and ADHD – workshops for parents
*Limited FREE creche places are available

What is Autism?
Wednesday 29 January, 1-3pm at Osmaston Allenton Family Hub*
Call 01332 956850 to book
Monday 10 February, 9:30 – 11:30am at Mackworth Morley Family Hub
Call 01332 208175 to book
Monday 31 March, 9:30-11:30am at Rosehill Family Hub
Call 01332 641315


What is ADHD?
Thursday 3 April, 6-8pm at Sinfin Family Hub
Call 01332 956967 to book

Using Visual Resources
Includes FREE sets of visual resources to support your child at home.
Tuesday 11 February, 1-3pm at Osmaston Allenton Family Hub*
Call 01332 956850 to book
Monday 3 March, 1-3pm at Becket Family Hub*
Call 01332 640250 to book



Communicative Behaviour
Wednesday 12 February, 6-8pm at Mackworth Morley Family Hub
Call 01332 208175 to book

Understanding Social Communication
Monday 3 February, 6-8pm at Becket Family Hub
Call 01332 640250 to book
Wednesday 2 April, 1-3pm at Derwent Family Hub*
Call 01332 641010 to book

Please book a place for yourself and a supportive family member or friend.



Please scan for further information



Family Hub Derby - What's on Guide - January to April 2025:

<https://www.derby.gov.uk/media/derbycitycouncil/contentassets/documents/communityandliving/familyhubs/whats-on-guide-jan-april-2025.pdf>

School Fundraiser: Emma and Sarah are running 10k!



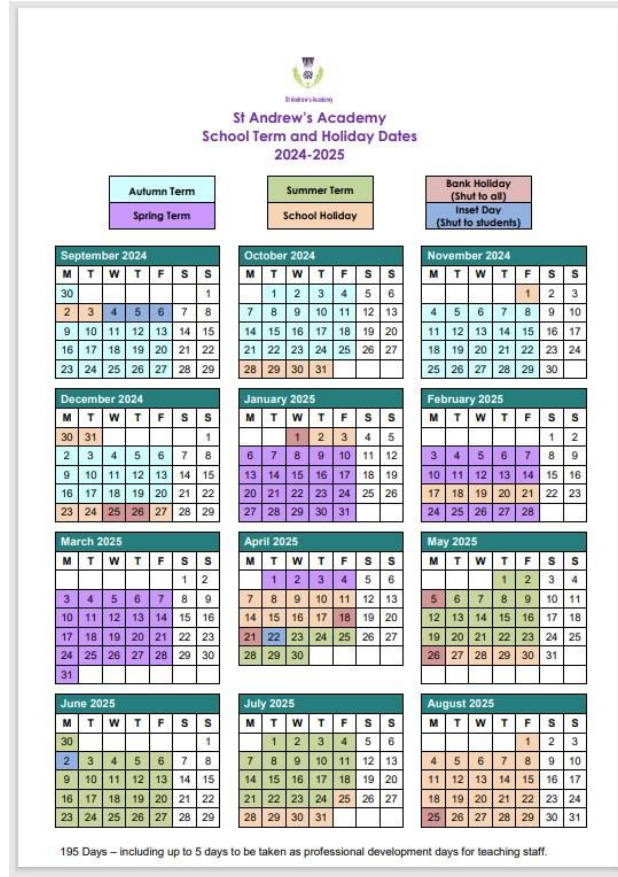
Emma and Sarah (and hopefully more of the St Andrew's team) are bravely running the Carsington 10k on 21st June 2025 to raise money for sensory integration equipment for students at St Andrew's. We are very excited to support them and cheer them on!

If you would like to support Emma and Sarah and raise money for a great cause, their GoFundMe link is below:

<https://gofund.me/db669786>

We wish them both the best of luck!

School Term and Holiday Dates



The calendar grid for St Andrew's Academy 2024-2025 is organized into three columns and four rows of monthly calendars. The columns represent the Autumn and Spring terms, the Summer term, and Bank Holidays. The rows represent the months from September 2024 to August 2025. Each monthly calendar shows the days of the week (M, T, W, T, F, S, S) and the dates. Days are color-coded: green for Autumn Term, purple for Spring Term, orange for Summer Term, and blue for Bank Holidays. A legend at the top identifies the colors: Autumn Term (green), Spring Term (purple), Summer Term (orange), School Holiday (yellow), Bank Holiday (Shut to all) (blue), and Inset Day (Shut to students) (light blue). The grid shows that the Autumn Term runs from September to November, the Spring Term from January to March, and the Summer Term from April to June. Bank holidays are marked for Good Friday, Easter Monday, and Bank Holiday Monday in 2024, and Good Friday, Easter Monday, and Bank Holiday Monday in 2025. A note at the bottom states: "195 Days – including up to 5 days to be taken as professional development days for teaching staff."

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