



# St Andrew's Academy Family Update Newsletter

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*Summer Term 2*

*4th July 2025*

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## Headteacher's Welcome



It was great to see so many families and friends of the school attend today's Summer Fayre. We're still counting the takings, but the real value is connecting as a community, especially during such time of change. I hope you had a chance to ask any questions and see the impressive refurb that is happening on our site. With reference to the changes, I am really pleased to share we have managed to facilitate a **visit to Whitaker Rd** for all parents of the young people that will be attending **our new 6th form provision** in September on **Tuesday 10th July 3:30pm-5:00pm**. This is just for those pupils who will be attending at this stage, but the intent is to showcase the provision to the wider school community in the Autumn term.

Class lists for September will be shared at the beginning of next week. As with every element of our provision, should you wish to discuss anything in person, you are very welcome to connect with the professional you feel most comfortable with.

This time of year rightfully brings communication regarding September but with 18 school days left, there's still so much happening in the classroom to celebrate. The hard work and creativity shown at today's summer fair underlines the progress and brilliance shown by our young people though each school day and I look forward to a really strong finish to all learning journeys.

**David Braybrooke - Headteacher**

## SENDisco



SENDisco CIC presents... **SENDisco** 16+ nights

with Hubbub DJs!

SCAN ME

**£7.50** or **2 for £10**  
carers: £2.50

- Book by phone: 01332 255800
- In person at 19 Chapel Street
- Online using the QR code

Monthly discos at 19 Chapel Street for learning disabled and/ or Autistic people aged 16+

SEN Disco C.I.C. | hubbub theatre company | COMMUNITY FUND | DERBY LIVE

9th May 6pm - 9pm  
13th June 6pm - 9pm  
11th July 6pm - 10pm  
8th August 6pm - 9pm  
12th Sept 6pm - 9pm  
10th October 6pm - 9pm

## SEN United Fixtures;





**NEXT  
MATCH**

**CHARITY FUNDRAISER**  
**FRIDAY 18TH JULY 2025**  
**8:00PM KICK-OFF**  
**DERBY RACECOURSE (DE21 6AL)**



**VS**



**SEN UNITED  
LADIES**

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**RAISING MONEY FOR:**





## [Feel Alive Hub CIC & Drama Group - Little Shop of Horrors](#)

On Sunday 20th July, Feel Alive Hub & Drama Group will be performing **Little Shop of Horrors** at St Nicholas Church Hall, Allestree, Derby. Feel Alive is a great organisation that supports disabled adults in Derby. Please see the poster for further details and you can also follow them on facebook; '**Feel Alive Hub CIC & Drama Group**'.



### Key Stage 3

Barra class went on a trip to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park, where they had the opportunity to observe various animals up close. It was wonderful to see them enjoying the experience with their friends, pointing out and saying, "Look at that animal!" The students were particularly excited to watch the wallabies bounce around in their enclosure as we stood in the middle of it. They were thrilled when the wallabies leaped past their feet. By the end of the day, the students returned to school feeling tired but happy.

To support our recent trip to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park, the students participated in an enterprise project. This initiative provided them with the opportunity to develop real-world skills by planning, budgeting, and fundraising, enabling them to enjoy an enjoyable and educational day outside the classroom.





















## The Glens



The Fair Isle team were all hands on deck in the lead up to the summer fayre! From designing our glittery banner to making delicious buttery popcorn. We were all stuck in with the creativity, teamwork and enthusiasm. Proud to play our part in bringing the fun to the day!











## Key Stage 4

Canna class this week have been busy preparing for the Summer Fayre! They have decided on an underwater theme thinking about how we can reuse items to give them a new life and stopping plastics entering the oceans. The class also worked hard making a 'Dragons Den' style presentation for Sue and Seleena to talk about the process and demonstrating our game (Octopus Hoopla). They have all made a real effort to create things for their family and friends to buy.











## The Highlands



This week in the Highlands, Taransay class have been celebrating the whole school enterprise week by making their own cat and dog treats to sell. Students have been using their functional



literacy skills to follow instructions and learnt the new skill of blending! In their expressive arts session learners decorated the bags ready to sell. We hope your furry friends enjoy!

In Jura class, students have continued with their book of the term, the Wizard of Oz. Learners have been learning about each part of the story through props and sensory play, including walking on their own yellow brick road and meeting their very own scarecrow! By the end of term learners should be able to act out key plot points and interact with a variety of characters.

In Iona class, students have been continuing their PSHE module of emergencies, medicine and people who help us by matching illness to equipment needed to support during that illness. Students were fantastic at identifying when we need equipment such as tissues or plasters, really consolidating those independent living skills!















Residential





Last week saw the Residential Unit close its doors for the last time. A very emotional time for all involved but also a chance to reflect on and celebrate so many cherished memories through the years.

A big thankyou to all staff, parents, and of course the students who helped shape Residential into such a warm and welcoming provision.

Below are some of the special highlights from 2024/2025 academic year.



*1 - The first ever residential cricket team, formed at the wonderful Super 1s cricket session held weekly at Willows.*



2 - Residential visiting the opening of the Derby based Covid 19 memorial.



3 - A massive thanks to Paul and the team at Aspire Wrestling. A wonderful evening seeing first hand the wrestlers in training, take part in a Q&A and be given some free merchandise.



*4 - A new addition to the activity program this year, karate, which has had a great impact on the development of all who attended. Students worked hard in improving physical fitness, discipline and learning basic karate techniques.*



*5 - A must for all karate enthusiasts. Look out for sessions returning to Derby. Thankyou John Johnston and the team at Adaptive Karate.*





*6 - Having fun is what residential was all about, a great trip to the cinema this year to See Minecraft The Movie*



Therapy Input



As it's nearing the end of the school year, Physio and other professionals are trying to see all students on their rota to make sure their physio plans are up to date, ready for September, so we can hit the ground running with students programmes.



## Free Holiday Activities

Did you know that if your child receives benefits-related free school meals, they are entitled to FREE holiday activities over the summer holidays? Holiday clubs are available across Derby



where your child can make new friends and take part in a wide range of activities including sport, dance, drama, arts and crafts, as well as enjoying a meal each day. If your child is eligible, you will receive an email from **HolidayActivities.com**. Just follow the instructions in this email to book. Bookings for summer clubs will open at the end of June. Further details can be found at: [www.derby.gov.uk/derbyHAF](http://www.derby.gov.uk/derbyHAF).

## Let's Talk SEND



**LET'S TALK SEND DERBY  
ON-LINE**

Lets Talk SEND is a Parent Carer focused event designed to bring together Parent Carers and SEND professionals in Derby City

This months conversations will be around  
**Transitions and School Transport**  
We are holding 2 sessions

**For more information please email: [derbysendvoice.co.uk](mailto:derbysendvoice.co.uk)**

	Tuesday <b>01 July, 2025</b>		Time <b>17.30 – 1830</b>		<a href="#">Link for tickets</a>
	Wednesday <b>02 July, 2025</b>		Time <b>1200– 1300</b>		<a href="#">Link for tickets</a>

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Derby and Derbyshire  
Integrated Care Board

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## STEPS June/July issue:



June/July 2025 issue: Parents/Carers Flyer

Social communication and autism parent/carer support groups and courses

Family Hub Derby

The following workshops are suitable for families of children and young people 0-19 who are or might be Autistic. Book a place for yourself and a supportive family member or friend. Please note these workshops are for adults only, there is no provision for children.

**What is Autism? - Support sessions- (Booking required)**

Find out more about the Autism spectrum and how you can support your autistic child or young person.

**Monday 14 July 1pm-3pm – Mackworth Morley Family Hub**

**Communicative Behaviour- (Booking required)**

Find out more about what drives your child's behaviour, learn strategies to support them and develop your own personal coping skills.

**Thursday 10 July 1pm-3pm Rosehill Family Hub**

**Understanding Social Communication- (Booking required)**

Understand your child's perspective of social interactions and how you can support them.

**Thursday 12 June 9.30am-11.30am – Sinfon Family Hub- (Limited free creche places available)**



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## Apply Now for September School Transport

**A reminder to parents; if your child is moving up to Post 16 education in September (Year 11, 12 and 13) please complete your child's home to school transport application as soon as possible**

At St Andrew's Academy, most of our students are dropped off and collected from school via mini bus or taxi. These services are provided and arranged independently by Derby City Council or your child's Local Authority (if outside of the City Council). **If your child will be moving up to post-16 education**, now is the time to apply.

**Apply to Derby City Council online;**

[Home to School Travel Assistance - Derby City Council](#)

**Apply to Derbyshire County Council online;**

## [Home to School Transport - Stage 1 - Self](#)

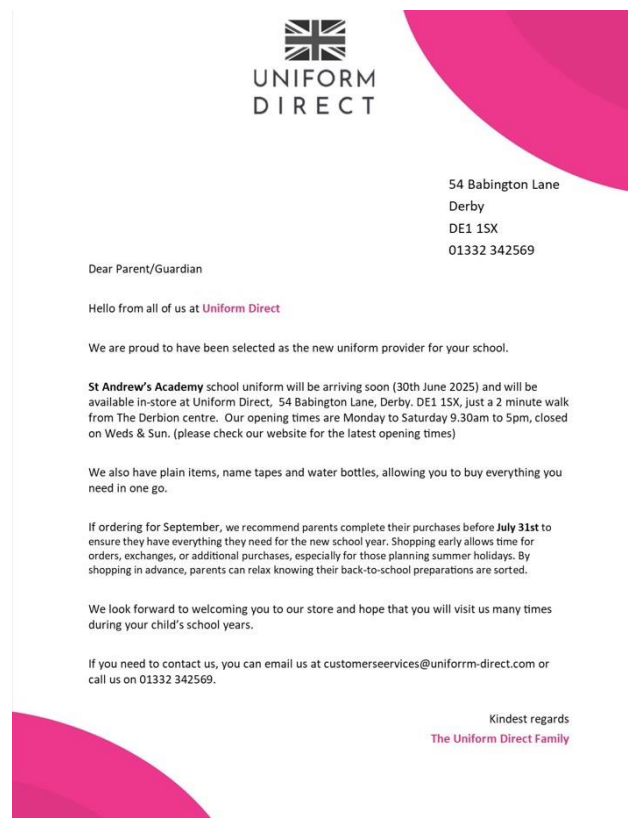
**Remember to attach any required evidence (for example; benefit entitlement or medical/SEND documentation).**

## School Uniform Orders

We are excited to announce we have added an additional uniform provider for St Andrew's Academy - Uniform Direct. This is to allow a wider range of uniform and sizes available for our students.

**We are still using MyClothing so parents can now purchase uniform either from [MyClothing](#) or from [Uniform Direct](#). Please note, Uniform Direct will take about 3 weeks to receive our stock into their shop and online shop so please check back on their website around the end of July for purchasing.**

You can find out more information regarding our uniform by clicking [here](#).







Proud to be the official uniform supplier for



St Andrew's Academy

Navy Crew Neck Sweatshirt with Logo	from <b>£9</b>
Navy Cardigan with Logo	from <b>£9</b>
White Polo T-Shirt with Logo	from <b>£7</b>
Black Trousers	from <b>£15</b>
Black Stitch-Down Pleated Skirt	from <b>£15</b>
Navy Fleece Jacket with Logo <b>*optional—special made to order item</b>	from <b>£18</b>
White P.E. T-Shirt with Logo	from <b>£6</b>
Navy OR Black P.E. Shorts	from <b>£4</b>
Navy OR Black Girls P.E. Sports Leggings	from <b>£15</b>
Navy OR Black Track Bottoms	from <b>£11</b>
P.E./Gym Bag	from <b>£8</b>
20 Personalised Iron-On Nametapes	only <b>£3.50</b>

BASE JUN 2025

✓ <b>March-June</b> Best time to order	✓ <b>July</b> Expect Some Delays	X <b>Aug-Sept Extreme Delays</b> Not guaranteed for back to school
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Ordering for September? - Allow plenty of time

✓ **Order before 31st July**

54 Babington Lane, Derby. DE1 1SX

**01332 342569**

Term Time—OPEN MONDAY TO SATURDAY 9.30am TO 5pm (CLOSED WEDS & SUN)  
Summer Holidays—OPEN MONDAY TO SATURDAY 9.30am TO 5pm (CLOSED SUN)  
\*subject to change without notice



LATE NIGHT SHOPPING  
**SHOP UNTIL 8PM**

Join us for a special  
late night shopping experience  
on 30th June and 3rd July!

Our doors will be open from  
9:30am to 8:00pm,  
allowing you to shop early and  
get your uniform shopping  
done and dusted,  
before the summer rush

MONDAY 30TH JUNE 2025 &  
THURSDAY 3RD JULY 2025

**9.30am to 8pm**

selected stores only



## THE BEST TIME TO BUY and when to avoid



- **The Best Time to Buy is March, April, May, and June!**

We highly recommend purchasing your school uniform early, well before the school summer holidays start. Plan ahead with growth in mind, and enjoy the peace of mind knowing we offer size exchanges up until the start of school in September (terms and conditions apply).

**Shop now for minimal queues and excellent stock availability!**



- **July: Shop Before the School Holidays Begin! & before 31st July**

July tends to be a busier month, but we recommend purchasing your school uniform before the school summer holidays start and before you go away on vacation. Plan with growth in mind, and rest easy knowing we offer size exchanges up until school begins in September (terms and conditions apply).

**While queues may be slightly longer, stock availability remains excellent—shop early for the best experience!**



- **August & Early September: Don't Leave It Too Late!**

August and early September are extremely busy as families prepare for the new school year. Sizes can sell out quickly, so don't risk missing out on getting the uniform you need in time.

**Avoid shopping in the last two weeks of the school summer holidays**—queues can exceed an hour, and stock availability will be limited.

**Back-orders placed after July 31st cannot be guaranteed to arrive before the start of the new term.** Plan ahead to avoid stress and ensure your child is ready for the school year!

### ✓ Order before 31st July



Look Out For Our Special Late Night Shopping Events—



Perfect for New Starters

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## Newsletter & Social Media Feedback – Help Us Improve!




We would love your feedback on our school newsletter and social media. This quick survey asks how you stay updated, what content you enjoy most, and how we can make our communication more useful for you. Your input will help us share news, celebrate students, and keep you better connected!

[Parent / Carer feedback survey questions \(Newsletter and social media\)](#)


## Family Hub QR Code and Family Fun Sessions

**FamilyHubDerby**  
Stronger families through support & friendship

  
StartforLife


### Family Hub What's On Guide


Scan this QR code to access this online





Click onto:  
Family Hub Derby  
Family Hub parents  
What's On Guide (number 4)  
scroll down to view our latest What's On Guide


We look forward to meeting you!


**Please scan for further information**

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## Paediatric First Aid courses - May to July 2025

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# First Aid training

**Want to know how to keep your children safe?**

Come along to one of our **FREE** Paediatric First Aid courses.

**You will receive a First Aid qualification if you attend the whole course.**

Light refreshments will be provided. Please bring your own lunch.

**Places MUST be booked.**

**Thursday 1 May, 22 May, 5 June and 19 June 2025 - 9.30am-11.30am**  
Rosehill Family Hub | 17-19 Lower Dale Road, Derby DE23 6WY | 01332 641315 |  
[RosehillFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk](mailto:RosehillFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk)

**Friday 2 May, 23 May, 6 June and 20 June 2025 - 9.30am-11.30am**  
Boulton Children's Centre | 47b Holbrook Road, Alvaston, Derby DE24 0DD | 01332 956500 |  
[BoultonChildrensCentre@derby.gov.uk](mailto:BoultonChildrensCentre@derby.gov.uk)

**Friday 2 May, 23 May, 6 June and 20 June 2025 - 1-3pm**  
Derwent Family Hub | Monmouth Street, Derby, DE21 6BD | 01332 641010 |  
[DerwentFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk](mailto:DerwentFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk)

**Thursday 26 and Friday 27 June 2025 - 9.30am-3pm**  
Sinfin Family Hub | 345 Sinfin Lane, Sinfin, Derby DE24 9SF | 01332 956967 |  
[SinfinFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk](mailto:SinfinFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk)

**Thursday 10 and Friday 11 July 2025 - 9.30am-3pm**  
Rosehill Family Hub | 17-19 Lower Dale Road, Derby DE23 6WY | 01332 641315 |  
[RosehillFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk](mailto:RosehillFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk)

**Thursday 17 and Friday 18 July 2025 - 9.30am-3pm**  
Mackworth Morley Family Hub | Reigate Drive, Mackworth, Derby DE22 4EQ | 01332 208175 |  
[MackworthMorleyFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk](mailto:MackworthMorleyFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk)

**Please scan for further information**




## Family Hub Derby - What's on Guide May-July

[whats-on-guide-may-july-2025.pdf](#)



# School Term and Holiday Dates



St Andrew's Academy

**School Term and Holiday Dates**

**2024-2025**

Autumn Term

Spring Term

Summer Term

School Holiday

Bank Holiday  
(Shut to all)

Inset Day  
(Shut to students)

**September 2024**

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**July 2025**

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**August 2025**

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195 Days – including up to 5 days to be taken as professional development days for teaching staff.



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