



St Andrew's Academy

Family Updates Newsletter

Learning Together, Achieving Together

Friday 16th June 2023

Head Teacher's Welcome

It'll take more than a heat wave to cause a disruption to the passion and drive for excellence that we share at St Andrew's! If life gives you sun then make ice-cream! That's exactly what Lewis class have done this week. Check out page 2 to share the creativity and hard work of our budding ice cream makers— move over Ben & Jerry!

Sun management has been high on our agenda and it's been great to see all of the wonderful sun hats and summer clothes. The comfort and safety of our pupils is of the highest priority to us and we welcome any variety of uniform that is made to enable comfort in the high temperatures.

The new reception works are coming on exceptionally well. There have been some minor teething problems with traffic flow, parking and vehicle management which I hope are fully resolved now. If you are negatively impacted or unsure of any of our protocols then please don't hesitate to let us know.

Have a wonderful weekend and enjoy the sunshine!

David Braybrooke

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Lewis Class



Wow, what a hot week it's been! All the students have been really sensible with keeping themselves safe in the sun by applying their own sun cream, wearing sun hats, sitting in the shade and drinking plenty of water.



What better way to keep cool than to have our own Lewis Class Ice Cream Parlour!



All the students enjoyed choosing their own toppings for their ice cream, these consisted of chocolate or strawberry sauce, marshmallows and sprinkles.





**NATIONAL SCHOOL
SPORTS WEEK 2023**
PLAY FOR FUN, PLAY FOR 60



Sports Star Friday

We're taking part in Sports Star Friday on 23 June

Support young people's love for sports and active play by taking part in Sports Star Friday! Have fun, get dressed up as your favourite sports star and get ac-

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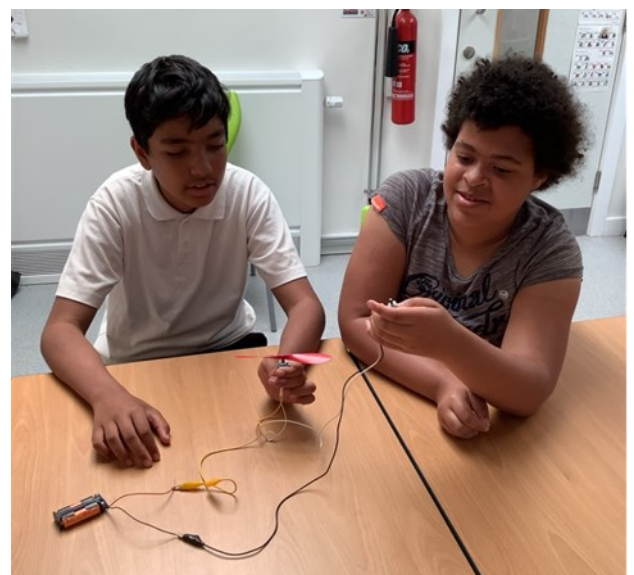
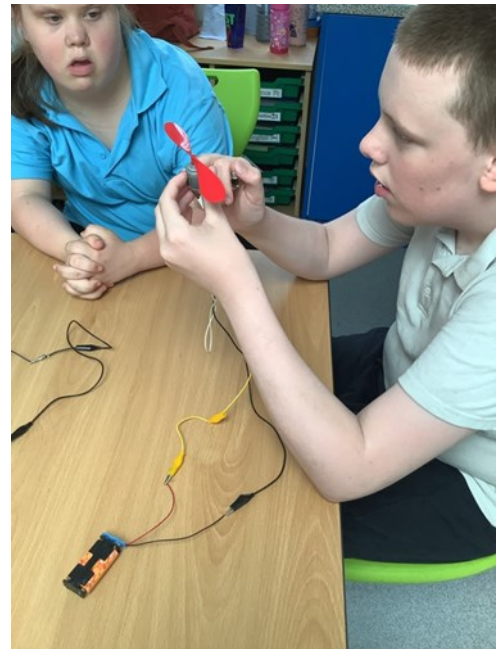
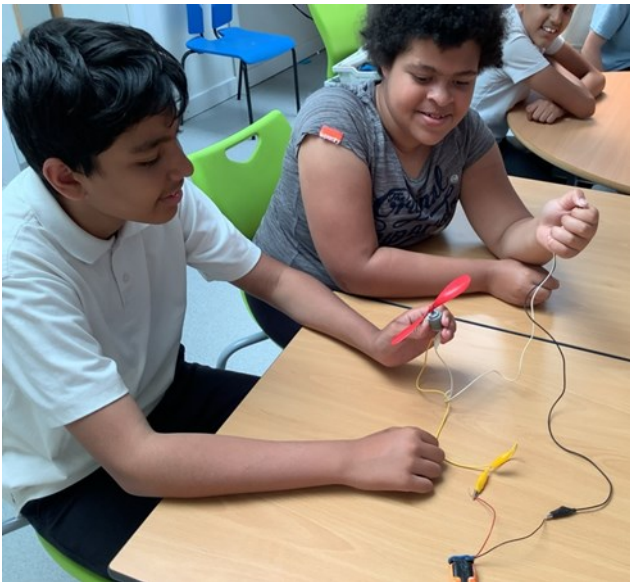
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Hoy Class

Hoy class have been given a design brief to create a wind-powered car as part of their science and D&T lessons using electronic circuits. They have researched and designed a car that has a wind turbine to power the car thinking about keeping our planet clean as well as keeping safe when around electricity. This week we investigated the components of a circuit including a battery, switch, and a motor to see what happens to the turbine when the switch is pressed. Well done Hoy for your curiosity and investigation skills this week!



Lewis Class

Lewis class have been working on Orienteering as part of their PE lessons, they have been recognising skills such as teamwork and problem solving to use a map to navigate their way around school. They have used information around them to work out where the different control points are and then record the symbol that they found. It was great to see them all engage, work together and communicate to get to the end.

Well done Lewis class!



MerMay Drawing Competition

MerMay is an art challenge which happens in May, where artists from all around the world draw their own mermaids. St Andrews thought we would host our own competition internally with a chance to win a big chocolate bar! We have now announced the winners as below. We were going to choose only one winner, but it was so difficult to choose that we had three worthy winners! Well done to everyone who took part - hope you all had fun MerMaying !

1st Place

Leah—Year 7



2nd Place

Danielle—Campus



3rd Place

Travis—Campus



Duke of Edinburgh

Last Thursday and Friday was the Bronze groups' final Duke of Edinburgh expedition and was the first time the Bronze group had the opportunity to camp offsite. They walked an 8 mile route before getting to the campsite near Elvaston Castle, camping for 1 night before walking the route back to school the following day. Over the course of our 3 expeditions, the students have walked around 32 miles in total (not counting all of the training miles that came before hand) as well as helping to cycle the 300 miles to raise money to fund this.

The students (and staff) in Barra class have found these expeditions to be a rollercoaster of emotions and have managed to smash each mile with sheer determination, gritted teeth and lots of encouragement and positivity. It has been an absolute pleasure to see how the students have risen to the challenge and overcome the challenges along the way. We are so proud of how far they have grown as young people since starting our training in September.



Term Dates 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

Thursday 7 September 2023 to Friday 27 October 2023

HALF TERM – Monday 30 October 2023 to Friday 3 November 2023

Monday 6 November 2023 to Friday 22 December 2023

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS – Monday 25 December 2023 to Friday 5 January 2024

Inset Days (school closed to all students)

Monday 4 September 2023

Tuesday 5 September 2023

Wednesday 6 September 2023

Spring Term 2024

Monday 8 January 2024 to Friday 16 February 2024

HALF TERM – Monday 19 February 2024 to Friday 23 February 2024

Monday 26 February 2024 to Thursday 28 March 2024

EASTER HOLIDAYS – Friday 29 March 2024 to Friday 12 April 2024

Summer Term 2024

Tuesday 16 April 2024 to Thursday 23 May 2024

Bank Holiday Monday 6 May 2024 (school closed to all staff and students)

HALF TERM – Monday 27 May 2024 to Friday 31 May 2024

Monday 3 June 2024 to Tuesday 23 July 2024

SUMMER HOLIDAYS – from Wednesday 24 July 2024

Inset Days (school closed to all students)

Monday 15 April 2024

Friday 24 May 2024

Bank Holidays (school closed to all staff and students)

Monday 25 December 2023 – during Christmas holidays

Tuesday 26 December 2023 – during Christmas holidays

Monday 1 January 2024 – during Christmas holidays

Friday 29 March 2024 – during Easter holidays

Monday 1 April 2024 – during Easter holidays

Monday 6 May 2024 – during school term time

Monday 27 May 2024 – during Whitsun holidays

SALT & PEPPER CAFÉ

Run by our fabulous FE students
Open Wednesday and Friday 10.00 till 11:30am
Find us at Taddington Road Church Hall Chaddesden
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Voluntary contributions welcomed

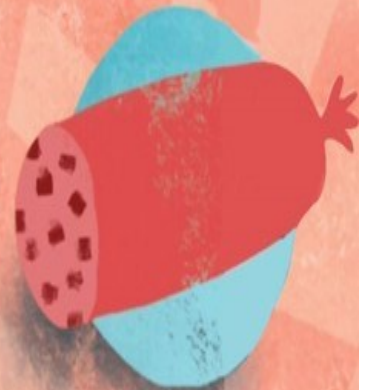
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