

Family Updates Newsletter

Learning Together, Achieving Together

Friday 10th February 2023

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Head Teacher's welcome

As we approach the half way point of this academic year, it presents an opportunity to reflect on our successes achieved so far and map out our plans for a really strong finish to the year. It's only right that our reflections keep both of our beloved pupils, Taylor and Erin, within our thoughts as we continue to work with both families to treasure their memories and hold close our core values of unity and togetherness. I feel both incredibly proud and privileged to share each and every journey of development and growth for each of our 148 pupils and you, as their families and loved ones. The daily show of determination, enthusiasm for learning and joy that I am able to witness is humbling and inspiring.

Have a safe and restful weekend,

David Braybrooke

Head Teacher

Important Dates

February Half Term - Monday 20th to Friday 24th February

Easter Holidays – Monday 3rd to Friday 14th April

INSET Day - Monday 17th April

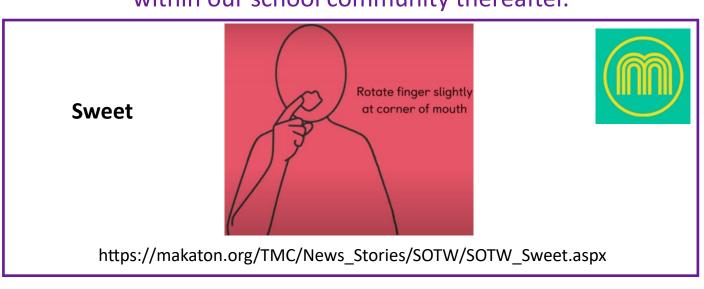


Bute



Every week, we have been practicing our painting skills. We finally put these skills into action to paint our own version of a dragon using the artist Liu Yi as inspiration. Fabi created this absolute masterpiece using all of our skills such as mixing, blending, scrumbling, dabbing and gradients. We can't wait to see what he produces next!

Makaton forms a key role in the way we communicate at St Andrew's. Please see below for our sign of the week. This is shared with whole staff during our weekly briefing and then used within our school community thereafter.





Bute



This week, students in Bute managed to cook their vegan Chinese curry completely independently! Every member of class had an important role to play in the preparation, cooking and cleaning up. It was a pleasure to see the progress made already this half term and it tasted delicious!



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Residential

Last week, the residential students took to the voting booths, all casting a vote to elect a residential student representative to sit on the student voice council.

Zain and Lee were declared the winners, once all the ballot slips were counted up.



Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday, we celebrated Safer Internet Day! Bute and Lewis class joined together to learn about how we can enjoy the internet whilst keeping ourselves safe. Here are a couple of the activities we took part in...



We discussed as a class who in school is there for us to talk to and highlighted the posters in class showing us. We spoke about how important it is to talk to trusted adults at home if we see something that makes us feel sad or worried.



We worked in groups to name as many technological apps as we can from their logos.

These ranged from social media apps such as snapchat, to messaging apps such as Gmail and games such as Clash of Clans. We discussed staying safe whilst on these apps and which do and do not have age restrictions.

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Derbyshire Music Hub





Face-to-face and virtual rehearsals so that you can join in however is best for you!

Face to Face: Once every half-term on a Saturday 3.00 - 4.30pm, Alfreton Park School, Derbyshire, DE55 7AL

Virtual Rehearsals: Fortnightly, Wednesdays 5.00 - 6.00pm on Zoom. All our sessions are **FREE** and welcome people up to age 25 and their families.

The choir celebrates that everyone has their own way of sharing their voice. You can make sounds or movements, use instruments or soundmakers.









wednesday
February 15th 2023
Cafe is open
10:00Am until 11:30AM



Valentines day cafe

Ran by St Andrews FE students and teachers all classes from all years and parents welcome to join us. We do drinks and food hope you will join us.

thank you from St Andrews FE Campus

Additional information

We are asking customers and staff to give a bit more money because we are fundraising for a new sign at the top of fieldsway drive

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