

Family Updates Newsletter

Learning Together, Achieving Together

St Andrew's Academy

Friday 3rd March 2023

Head Teacher's welcome

I hope you all had a relaxing half term and managed to spend some quality time with loved ones. Your wonderful young people have returned to school this week with their usual positivity and willingness to learn!

World Book Day yesterday was a fantastic event and it was great see some of you getting involved with our book swap at the start of the day. Thanks to everyone in the team who worked so hard to make the event so successful and enjoyable for our young people-some of the costumes we witnessed were fantastic!

Wishing you a restful weekend.

David Braybrooke

Important Dates

Last Day of Spring Term - Friday 31st March

Easter Holidays – Monday 3rd to Friday 14th April

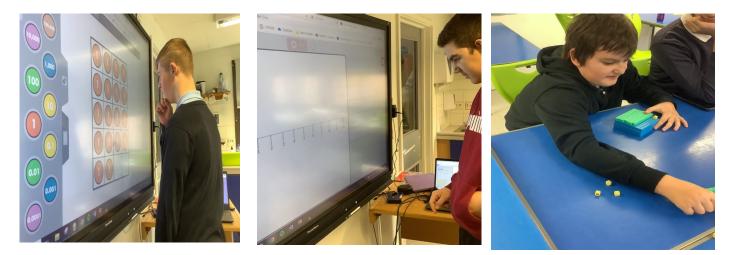
INSET Day - Monday 17th April

Return to School—Tuesday 18th April



Bute

It has been wonderful to have everybody back in school after the half term break. We have kicked off the term with some incredible learning and are very impressed with how the students have adapted straight back into our school routines.



In maths this week, we have been working on our individual number targets and have worked in small groups across Bute and Lewis class. We have looked at place value through different representations and started to apply this to different numbers



In our English sessions, we have started our new class story which is called 'Farmer's Luck'. This is a short Chinese folk tale. This week we have investigated the front cover, picking out what we can see and making predictions about what will

happen.







World Book Day 2023 was a great success! Students and staff really used their imagination and dressed up as some very colourful characters. We had Batman, pirates, The Cat in the Hat, Harry Potter, witches, Mr Strong, An Oompa Loompa, A collection of Where's Wallies, and Dorothy, complete with Toto the dog!

A Big Thankyou to all parents and families who supported our Book swap. We had an amazing response with over 250 books being donated.





Did you know?

Coffee, bananas and chocolate could soon be much more difficult to buy!!

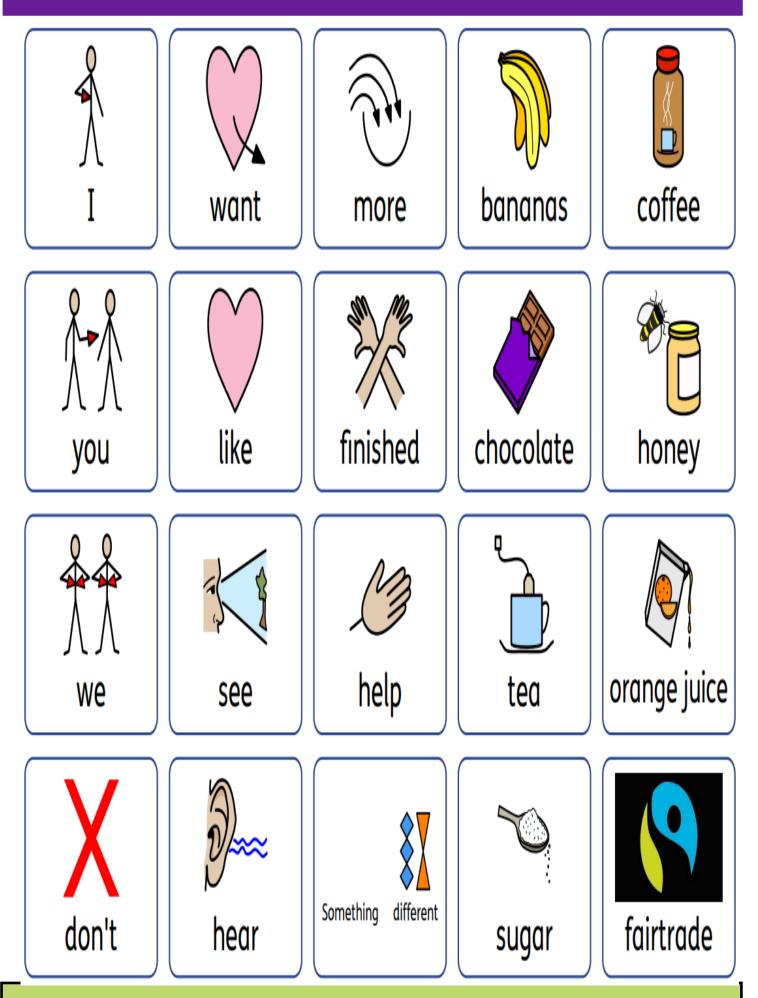
Fairtrade Fortnight 2023 is taking place 27 February – 12 March 2023 and we have been learning in school about the meaning and importance of Fairtrade.



In Bute class, we have been trying a variety of fairtrade products and identified the logos on the packaging.

We then compared these to non-fairtrade products—we actually enjoyed the fairtrade food more (except the dark chocolate!)

Why not use the communication board on the next page to discuss with your child what they have learned.



Derbyshire Music Hub

UpRising Inclusive Choir

FREE

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.

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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 DE21 4JU Voluntary contributions welcomed For more information contact Tracy Corden on: Tcorden@standrews.derby.sch.uk

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