



# Family Updates Newsletter

St Andrew's Academy

Learning Together, Achieving Together

18th November 2022

## Head Teacher's welcome

Not even this week's wet weather can dampen our desire to learn and enjoy our school day! I have had the pleasure of being able to share success across all of the classrooms this week and congratulate our learners on their behaviour for learning and positive outcomes.

This week I was able to stay overnight in our Residential Provision and witness first hand the impressive acquisition of knowledge related to independent living. Check out the Resi section on Page 6 to find out more.

Finally, for those that have not had the chance to complete our parental questionnaire, the link is on Page 3. We'd be very keen to hear your feedback as soon as possible as the questionnaire will be closing very soon.

Have a safe and restful weekend,

David Braybrooke

Note to parents about KS3 & KS4 Christmas performance

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December

St Philip's Church

KS3 10.30

KS4 1.30

More info to follow



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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.

### **Sign of the week**

Our sign this week is:

**To Look**



### **Free School Meals**

If you believe your child is entitled to free school meals, please follow the link below and click on 'Free School Meals Application Form'. The completed form can either be brought into school or returned to Derby City Council at the address shown.

<https://www.derby.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/free-school-meals/>

Alternatively, just ask someone from our Admin Team to send a form home for you!

# Important Dates

**Children in Need** – Friday 18th November

**Christmas Jumper Day**— Thursday 8th December

**Christmas Performances (KS3 & KS4)**—Friday 9th December

**INSET Day**—Thursday 22nd December

**Christmas Holidays** - Friday 23rd December to Friday 6th January

**February Half Term** – Monday 20th to Friday 24th February

**Easter Holidays** – Monday 3rd to Friday 14th April

**INSET Day** - Monday 17th April



# Survey



## Parent Survey

St Andrew's Academy is part of a National Multi Academy Trust called Shaw Education Trust (SET). SET are constantly evaluating and improving outcomes for every person across the family of schools and one way they do this is through online questionnaires. Please could you click on the link below to share your views of St Andrew's to support our constant journey of improvement.

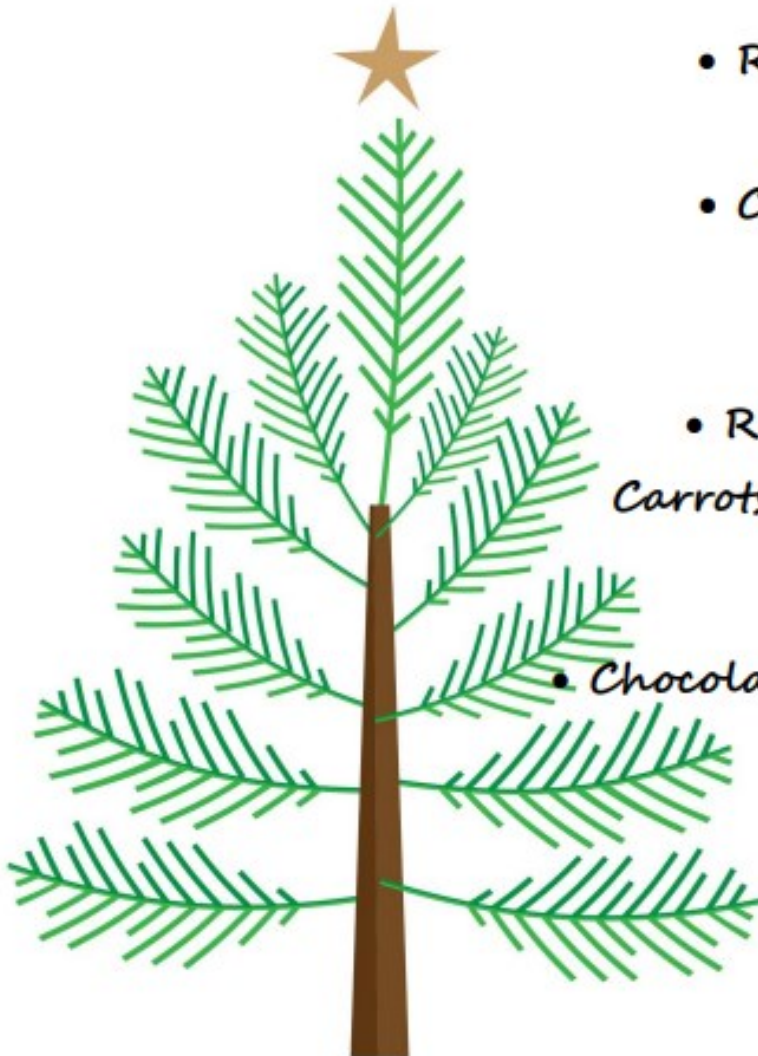
Parental Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/specialschoolparentalsurveyterm12022>

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# Christmas Menu



Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022



- Roast Turkey Breast
- Christmas Vegetable Wellington
- Roast Potatoes, Peas, Carrots, Gravy & Stuffing

• Chocolate Orange Brownie

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# Careers interviews for Students

On Tuesday we welcomed 3 employers from Alstom Train makers in Derby to interview our KS4 classes. This is the first time we have held employer interviews, so it was a great opportunity for our students. This was part of our Work-Related Learning Curriculum , where we prepare our students for an aspirational future. The students were amazing, it was a joy to see them rise to this massive challenge and communicate using a variety of methods to answer questions about the future including their skills, likes, dislikes and any job they may be interested in.



A massive thank you to T, Paul and Temi from Alstom and our Careers and Enterprise coordinators , Bernie and Seleena for giving up their time to interview our learners.

FE students at Campus are using the videos as part of their English lessons to say what the students did well and suggest how their friends could improve next time.

# St Andrew's Academy Residential

St Andrew's Academy is proud of our Residential Department who support a small group of our learners to make progress in all areas of independent living skills after school and overnight.

On Wednesday night David was able to spend some time with the students to share their Resi experience first hand. It is clear that the students are very happy and engaged with the learning opportunities presented. This is done in full consultation with pupils to provide an exciting programme of activities and enable quality progress.



A huge well done and thank you to Paul and his team, as well as our superb young people who make Resi a fun and vibrant learning experience for all.

# School Dinner Price Increase



**We wish to let you know that  
as from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January,  
the cost of a school dinner will be increasing  
to £2.30.**

**This will automatically update on the  
Parentpay app**



# **Formal Parents Coffee Mornings at the café will re-commence in the New Year**

**Sam Summer Rell and Nabila Talit will be present and we will  
arrange for various guest speakers to attend and answer  
questions from parents and carers.**

**We would welcome any of your suggestions if you need advice  
from any organisation in particular.**

**Please contact Sam - [SSummerrell@standrews.derby.sch.uk](mailto:SSummerrell@standrews.derby.sch.uk)**

**Or the School Office - [admin@standrews.derby.sch.uk](mailto:admin@standrews.derby.sch.uk)**

**Dates to be confirmed**





## Derby Children's ICU Present drive

Many children within Derby City will spend Christmas Day in hospital. Sadly, this was the case with one of our young people last year. During her stay, she was given a present from the Hospital and it really helped them through a worrying time.

This year, in recognition of this, we are supporting the parent to repay the kindness and donate wrapped presents to the hospital.



If you'd like to support the present drive and provide a wrapped gift for a boy or girl up to the age of 16, please drop by or send them in with your young person for the attention of David by

**Wednesday 21st December**

We know that Christmas can be a difficult time financially. Please note this is purely optional and only support if you feel able to.

# 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

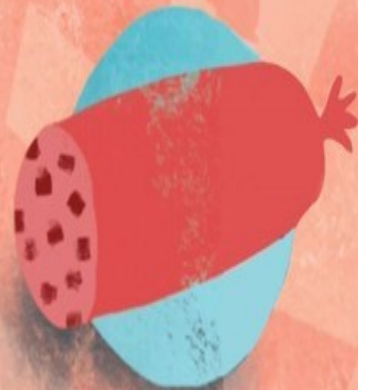
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