



Family Updates Newsletter

Learning Together, Achieving Together

St Andrew's Academy

2nd December 2022

Head Teacher's welcome

As we open the first few days of our advent calendar our thoughts turn towards the run up to the festive period. At St Andrew's, we remain on timetable throughout to enable the consistency and routine that allow our young people to thrive. However, sessions across the timetable may use Christmas as a theme to deliver the learning as well as music & drama sessions used to rehearse the upcoming performances.

Friday 9th December will be the performance at St Phillips Church with KS3 parents invited from 10:00am for a 10:30am start. KS4 parents are invited from 1:00pm for a 1:30pm start. KS5 parents are invited Wednesday 7th, Friday 9th and Wednesday 14th, Friday 16th to St Philips Church Hall for a Festive Salt and Pepper Café.

Christmas is a time to get together and celebrate and we sincerely hope we can share some time with you, as a valued member of the school community, this Festive period. Please do get in touch with your class team if you'd like to attend any of these events but are unable to as we may be able to assist in some way.

Have a safe and restful weekend,

David Braybrooke



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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.

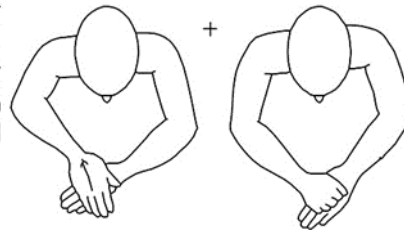
Sign of the week

Our sign this week is:



Christmas

Slide right hand over back of left hand towards body, then close right hand and place on back of left hand



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

Christmas Jumper Day— Thursday 8th December

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

School Christmas Lunch—Friday 16th December

INSET Day—Thursday 22nd December

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

Spring Half Term begins —Monday 9th January 2023

February Half Term – Monday 20th to Friday 24th

February

Easter Holidays – Monday 3rd to Friday 14th April

INSET Day - Monday 17th April



**As from Monday 9th January,
the cost of a school dinner will be increasing
to £2.30.**

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



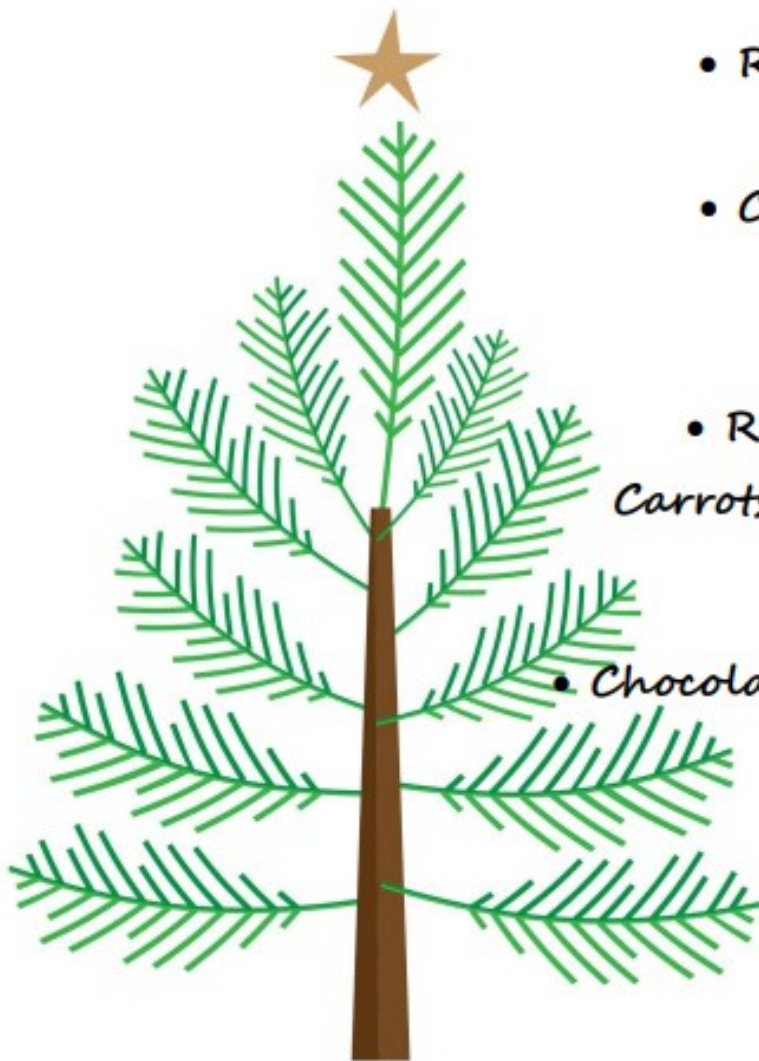
Christmas



Menu



Friday 16th December 2022



- Roast Turkey Breast

- Christmas Vegetable Wellington

- Roast Potatoes, Peas, Carrots, Gravy & Stuffing

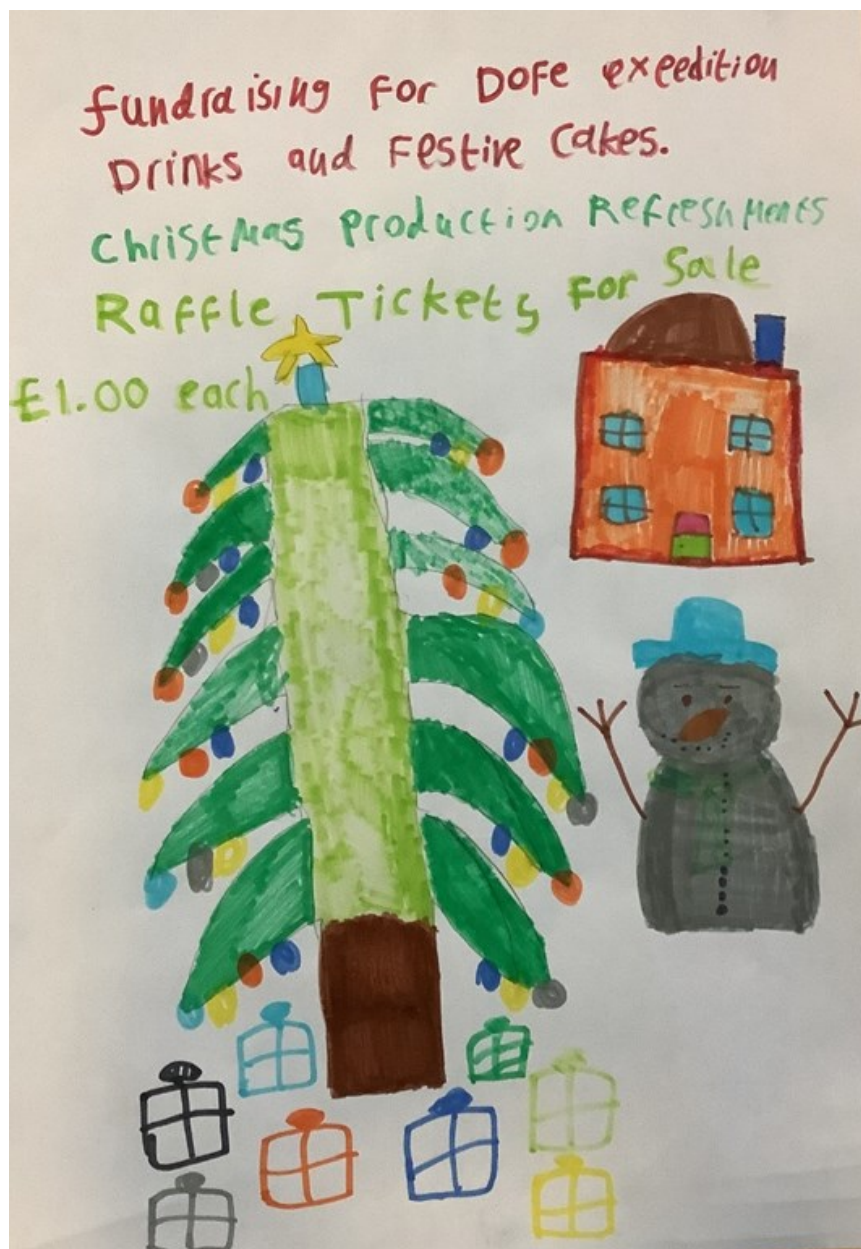
- Chocolate Orange Brownie

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Christmas Production

A group of students from Campus will be providing refreshments during the Key Stage 3 and 4 Christmas performances. They will be raising money towards their Duke of Edinburgh expedition by selling drinks and festive cakes for a voluntary donation. Alongside the refreshments they will also be selling raffle tickets with a Christmas Food Hamper as the prize. Tickets will cost £1.00 a ticket.

If you are unable to attend the performance but would like to purchase raffle tickets please send money in a named envelope for the attention of Campus noting the number of tickets you would like to buy.



Barra Class News

Barra Class have been volunteering at Little Chester Allotments, working with Disability Direct to create a plot for carers to access. We would like to say a massive thankyou to Lea for all his help and for leaving the students many treasures to find on the last week before Christmas. Barra Class are extremely proud of what they have achieved over the last three months and look forward to volunteering there again in the spring. Here are some pictures of our students.



Residential



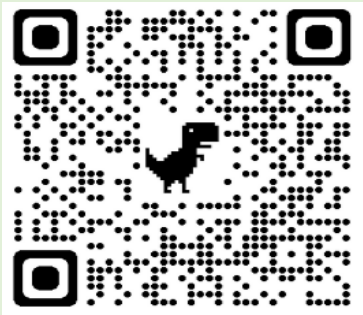
The residential students fully got behind the England Team on Tuesday night in the World Cup. They made banners, decorations, dressed up and roared on the Three Lions to victory and progress to the group stages. Bring on the next game!

Has your child got their free Gold Card yet?

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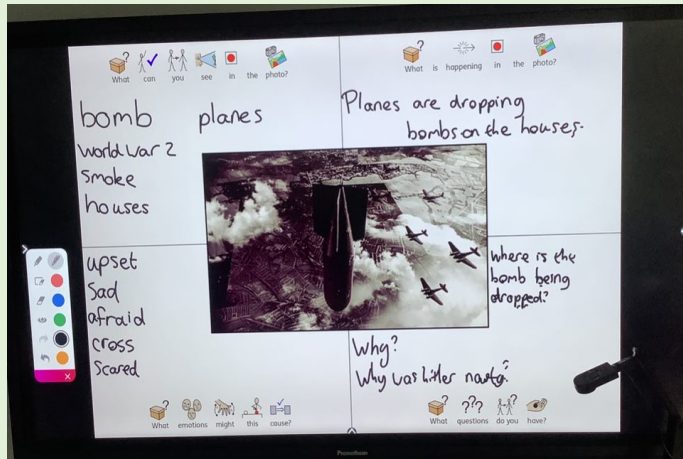
Library card



**Apply here or
ask in school
for an
application
form.**



This week in Bute...



We have been looking at primary sources about The Blitz and thinking about how this would make people feel.

One of our students has independently completed this 300 piece jigsaw. He is now working on a 1,000 piece.



We have been working on our fine motor skills cutting down different lines.



Winter Fayre

Monday 12th December 2022



10:30am



12:30pm

Transition 2, Whitaker Road, Derby, DE23 6AR

Join us for our learners' festive celebration at T2 and find out more about our provision while you shop for presents!

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Cakes & Drinks

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Plants



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Gifts & Treats

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Raffle

More
information



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Transition2 is a specialist SEND provision for young adults in Derbyshire, with a 'one size fits one' approach to learning which maximises active citizenship and community contribution

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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

Or the School Office - 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

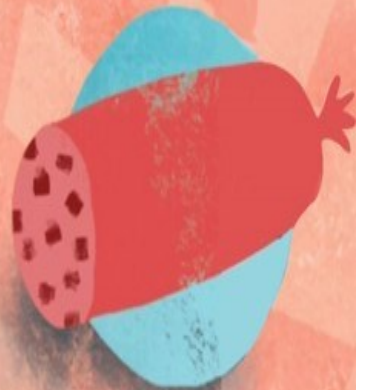
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