



*It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.*

*Parable of the Mustard Seed- Matthew 13:31-32*

## *Message from Miss Mills*

Dear families,

What a busy and brilliant week across our two schools — small seeds of effort continuing to grow and flourish.

Well done to our KS2 children who represented both schools in this week's Boccia tournament. You played with great skill and sportsmanship. St Andrew's finished joint second and Mary Howard finished joint first — a fantastic result and a wonderful display of team spirit. Thank you to the children, and to the staff and parent helpers who supported the event.

Next week our KS2 children will visit Walsall Art Gallery. This will be a lovely, enriching trip — especially for our Year 6 children who are working hard as they prepare for the upcoming SATs. Year 6: you have shown real commitment and growing confidence; you should be extremely proud of the effort you are putting in. A particular thank you to Mrs Porter and Miss Warner for their hard work, support and excellent teaching at this important time.

It is such a busy time of year with trips, competitions and sporting events continuing right to the end of the school year. If you are ever unsure about dates or arrangements, please check the school website or contact the school office — they will be happy to help.

“Let all that you do be done in love.” — 1 Corinthians 16:14

Wishing every family a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend. We hope the glorious weather continues. School reopens on Tuesday 5 May — we look forward to seeing everyone then.

Warmest regards,

*Rachel Mills*

*Executive Headteacher*

## What's coming up this week...

### Monday 4th May

Bank Holiday!

### Tuesday 5th May

### Wednesday 6th May

PE Kit - Maple

Walsall Art Gallery trip KS2

### Thursday 7th May

PE Kit - Maple

Parent Forum 8:45am

### Friday 8th May

Ukulele lessons Willow - Please bring in your instrument

PE Kit - Willow

**Please access the Schools' website for key events -**

St Andrew's- [Upcoming Events](#) | [St. Andrew's CE Primary School](#)  
([st-andrews-cliftoncampville.staffs.sch.uk](http://st-andrews-cliftoncampville.staffs.sch.uk))

## Dates to note...

### May

- **4th May - Bank Holiday!**
- 6th May - Walsall Art Gallery trip KS2
- 7th May - Parent Forum 8:45am
- 11th - 15th May - Year 6 SATS week
- 15th May - The library bus is here
- 18th - 22nd May - Walk to School Week
- 18th-20th May - Year 5-6 Residential to Standon Bowers, **please continue to make payments the balance is due on May 4th.**
- 21st May School census day - please help us by ordering a school dinner! See the Census Day menu on the website under events
- 22nd May - Let your Light Shine Values Celebration worship 9am in school
- **25th - 29th May - Half Term!**

### June

- 5th June - Rock up & Read - 8:45-9:15am
- 12th June - Non uniform day - more information to follow.
- 16th June - KS2 Athletics Tamworth - more information to follow
- 17th June - Oak Class Greenpower Race day at Curborough Sprint Course
- 24th June - SA Colour run 2pm onwards
- 25th June - WCET Celebration Concert - Willow Class Ukulele concert at the Coton Centre, Tamworth - Link for Tickets <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GAZD>

**St Andrews sports day will be held on Tuesday the 7th of July at 9:15am**

**The Year 6 Leavers service will be on Thursday 16th July in church**

# Dinners for Week Commencing 4th May 2026 - Week 1

Please all can you preorder your childrens meals on Arbor, please note we are no longer providing soup and a half sandwich, it is now a full sandwich instead with no soup.

## WINTER MENU FROM NOVEMBER 2025

V Vegetarian  
VE Vegan  
GF Gluten Free  
DF Dairy Free

### Week 1

### Week 2

### Week 3

Day	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Monday	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Beef Bolognese 100% beef bolognese with sliced garlic bread</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Homemade Apple Cake (v) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Tuna and Cheese Pasta Bake Served with sliced herby potatoes</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Natural Yoghurt (v) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>BBQ Chicken 100% chicken breast, topped with BBQ sauce and sliced peppers</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Chocolate and Caramel Cake Cocoa chocolate and sugar free condensed milk, caramel cake (v) Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>All day breakfast 100% Pork sausage, beans, hash brown and an egg omelette</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Homemade Raisin Flapjack (v, ve) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Pork Meatballs Pork meatballs served in a tomato and basil sauce with wholemeal pasta and Garlic Bread</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Natural Yoghurt (v) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Sausage and Bean Casserole Pork sausage in a baked bean casserole sauce topped with sliced potatoes</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Lemon Cake (v) or Fresh Fruit</p>
Wednesday	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Cheese and Tomato Pizza Homemade Pizza Dough topped with Cheese and Tomato. Served with Potato Croquettes</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Freshly Baked Oat and Raisin Cookies (v) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Roast Chicken 100% Chicken breast, served with roast potatoes, yorkshire pudding and gravy</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Apple and Berry Crumble (v) Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Cottage Pie 100% beef. Topped with sliced potatoes and gravy.</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Apple Crumble (v) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Roast Ham 100% pork, served with roast potatoes, yorkshire pudding and gravy or cheese sauce</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Homemade Chocolate Brownie (v) Cocoa chocolate brownie Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Cheese and Tomato Pizza Homemade Pizza Dough topped with Cheese and Tomato. Served with Potato Croquettes</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Pancakes and fresh fruit (v) or Natural Yoghurt</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Roast Chicken 100% Chicken breast, served with roast potatoes, yorkshire pudding and gravy</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Fresh Berry Sponge Cake (v) or Fresh Fruit</p>
Friday	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Fish Fingers Breaded cod served with oven fried chips</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Ice Cream (v, ve, gf) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Daily Options</b></p> <p><b>Jacket Potatoes</b> Freshly baked jacket potatoes. 1 filling from a choice of Tuna, Cheese or Beans (v, ve, gf)</p> <p><b>Tomato Pasta Bake</b> Wholemeal pasta in a tomato sauce (v, ve, gf)</p> <p><b>Homemade Toasties</b> 50/50 bread, with filling options of Tuna, Cheese or Ham.</p> <p><b>Homemade Soup and Sandwich</b> Soup made using fresh seasonal vegetables. Some vegetables are grown in the school allotments at selected schools. 50/50 bread, with filling options of Tuna, Cheese or Ham.</p> <p>All options are served with seasonal vegetables, potato option of the day and fresh salad bar</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Fish Fingers Breaded cod served with oven fried chips</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Ice Cream (v, ve, gf) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Daily Options</b></p> <p><b>Jacket Potatoes</b> Freshly baked jacket potatoes. 1 filling from a choice of Tuna, Cheese or Beans (v, ve, gf)</p> <p><b>Tomato Pasta Bake</b> Wholemeal pasta in a tomato sauce (v, ve, gf)</p> <p><b>Homemade Toasties</b> 50/50 bread, with filling options of Tuna, Cheese or Ham.</p> <p><b>Homemade Soup and Sandwich</b> Soup made using fresh seasonal vegetables. Some vegetables are grown in the school allotments at selected schools. 50/50 bread, with filling options of Tuna, Cheese or Ham.</p> <p>All options are served with seasonal vegetables, potato option of the day and fresh salad bar</p>	<p><b>Mains</b></p> <p>Fish Fingers Breaded cod served with oven fried chips</p> <p><b>Sides</b></p> <p>Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar</p> <p><b>Desserts</b></p> <p>Ice Cream (v, ve, gf) or Fresh Fruit</p>	<p><b>Daily Options</b></p> <p><b>Jacket Potatoes</b> Freshly baked jacket potatoes. 1 filling from a choice of Tuna, Cheese or Beans (v, ve, gf)</p> <p><b>Tomato Pasta Bake</b> Wholemeal pasta in a tomato sauce (v, ve, gf)</p> <p><b>Homemade Toasties</b> 50/50 bread, with filling options of Tuna, Cheese or Ham.</p> <p><b>Homemade Soup and Sandwich</b> Soup made using fresh seasonal vegetables. Some vegetables are grown in the school allotments at selected schools. 50/50 bread, with filling options of Tuna, Cheese or Ham.</p> <p>All options are served with seasonal vegetables, potato option of the day and fresh salad bar</p>

All of our food is made on site using the freshest ingredients and complies with all Government legislation for nutritional value for schools

# *St Andrews Parent Forum Agenda Thursday 7th May 8:45-9:30*

## **All Welcome**

## **Agenda items to discuss**

### **1. Welcome & Introduction**

Brief opening from Miss Mills.

Goal of the session: Reflecting on the current year and shaping the next.

### **2. Logistics & Operations**

Trips and Visits: Review of this year's excursions and enrichments.

Upcoming opportunities and the strategy for equitable access to trips.

The School Day: adjustments for the new academic year.

### **3. Digital Systems & Communication**

Platform Clarity: review of Arbor- Using it effectively for data, payments, and attendance.

ClassDojo: Streamlining classroom updates and celebrating student success.

Feedback Loop: Discussion on communication frequency—is it too much, too little, or just right?

### **4. Year in Review: Reflect & Refine**

Evaluation of the Year: A look at key milestones and achievements.

EBI (Even Better If): An open floor for parents to share constructive "Even Better If" suggestions to improve the children/parent experience.

### **5. Strategic Growth: Promoting Our School**

Parent Ambassadors: How can parents help share the school's success stories in the wider community?

Word of Mouth & Social Media: Strategies for boosting the school's local reputation and enrollment.

6. AOB

### **7. Closing Remarks**

Summary of actionable points.

Date of the next forum.

# This Weeks Attendance @ St Andrews

## Government guidelines on attendance

Full attendance (100%) should be the standard expected.

Attendance of 97% or above is very good,

97-95% is good,

95-90% is poor

Below 90% is a serious cause for concern.

Reception	66.7%
Year 1	100.0%
Year 2	75.0%
Year 3	90.9%
Year 4	100.0%
Year 5	97.2%
Year 6	100.0%

Well done to Reception, Year 1 and Year 4 for this week's 100% attendance!

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

ATTENDANCE DURING ONE SCHOOL YEAR	EQUALS APPROXIMATE DAYS ABSENCE	WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY WEEKS ABSENCE	WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY LESSONS MISSED
95%	9 days	2 weeks	40 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	80 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	120 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	160 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	200 lessons
70%	57 days	11 ½ weeks	230 lessons
65%	67 days	13 ½ weeks	270 lessons

**GETTING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL REALLY DOES MATTER**

**DID YOU KNOW...?**

In a school year, if your child is late every day by...

	Your child would have lost approximately...	or they would have missed approximately...
5 minutes	3 days from school	12 lessons
10 minutes	6 days from school	24 lessons
15 minutes	9 days from school	36 lessons
20 minutes	12 days from school	48 lessons
30 minutes	18 days from school	72 lessons

PLEASE ENCOURAGE PUNCTUALITY TO MAINTAIN ATTENDANCE

## *DfE Screen Time Guidance*

**DfE guidance published this week aims to give parents clear, evidence-backed advice on screen time for children under five. It recommends:**

- **For under-twos, screen time should be avoided except for shared activities.**
- **For children aged two to five, it should be limited to around one hour a day and avoided at mealtimes and before bed.**

**This guidance sits alongside a wider government consultation on online safety. NGA will respond to the consultation, drawing on views from the governance community to ensure your perspectives are represented.**

# Wraparound Care!



**Wrap  
Around  
Care**

**After School Club (Everyday)**

- ✓ Lego
- ✓ Crafts/Arts
- ✓ Board Games
- ✓ ICT
- ✓ Outdoor Activities

After school club session 1 (3.30 – 4.30 pm): £5.20  
After school club Session 2 (3.30 – 5.15 pm): £9.05 Includes a drink and a snack  
Fruit and water are available to all children throughout the sessions

**BOOKABLE VIA ARBOR AND COMPLETE ALL  
FORMS AND SIGN POLICY AVAILABLE ON  
WEBSITE**

Please go onto the website for registration, medical and policy forms - download and complete and give to the office.

<https://st-andrews-cliftoncampville.staffs.sch.uk/our-school/care-club>

Please also book your place via Arbor

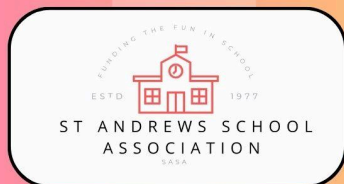
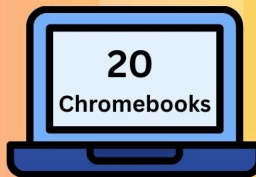
**Thank you for all your generosity!**  
SASA have been able to support our school with resources,  
enrichment, & improved outdoor spaces!

**We are excited to announce our next:**

## FUNDRAISING GOAL



# £5,000



## THANK YOU!!

**Last term we raised £2,229.87!**

### FUNDRAISED (PROFIT)

- Reading Shed Opening £36.87
- Break The Rules Day £63
- Rocket & Roll Disco £164.32
- Breakfast With Santa £824.26
- Christingle £133.33
- SASA School Lottery £887.20
- Christmas Cards £36.50
- Reindeer Races & Crimbo
- Cash Grab £84.39

**Total £2,229,87**

### FUNDED

- Zactiv Gladiator Visit (& foam fingers) £430.84
- Christmas Gifts £105.13
- Pantomime £280
- Coach for Statfold trip £40

**Total £855.97**

# Reminders

## Trips

The balance for the residential to Standon Bowers is due on May 4th. Please note now that we are less than 30 days before the trip the full balance has to be paid even if you are unable to attend the trip. Please make payments on Arbor.

## Arbor payments

Would you please check your Arbor Parental Portal for any outstanding payments. We would like to keep all accounts in credit or cleared of any debt.

Thank you for your understanding.

## **Important: Urgent Safety Notice Regarding School Access**

We are writing to ask for your urgent cooperation regarding morning drop-offs and afternoon pick-ups. To ensure the safety of all our pupils and to allow the school to function smoothly, please adhere to the following:

**No Access to School Gates:** Please do not drive into the school gates at any time. This area must remain clear for staff access and emergency vehicles.

**Keep Zig-Zags Clear:** Do not park or pull over on the yellow zig-zag lines. These are in place to provide a clear line of sight for children crossing the road.

We ask that you park safely further up the road and walk the remaining distance to the gates.

Current parking behaviours are creating significant safety risks for our children and preventing staff from entering the car park. We appreciate your support in keeping our school environment safe and accessible for everyone.

## Term Dates 2025-2026

### Spring Term 2026

**Term Starts:** Tuesday 6 January

**Holiday:** Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February

**Term Ends:** Friday 27 March

**Holiday:** Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April

**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 5 April

### Summer Term 2026

**Term Starts:** Monday 13 April

**May Day:** Monday 4 May

**Holiday:** Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May

**Term Ends:** Friday 17 July

**Inset:** Monday 20 July

**Holiday:** Monday 20 July – Monday 31 August



## Term Dates 2026-2027

### Autumn Term 2026

Please note there has been a change of inset days to include the 2nd of September instead of the 21st of July due to staff training.

**Inset Day:** Tuesday 1 September

**Inset Day:** Wednesday 2 September

**Term Starts:** Thursday 3 September

**Holiday:** Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October

**Inset day:** Monday 2 November

**Term Ends:** Friday 18 December

**Holiday:** Monday 21 December – Friday 1 January

### Spring Term 2027

**Inset day:** Monday 4 January

**Term starts:** Tuesday 5th January

**Holiday:** Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February

**Term Ends:** Thursday 25 March

**Holiday:** Monday 29 March – Friday 9 April

**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 28 March

### Summer Term 2027

**Term Starts:** Monday 12 April

**May Day:** Monday 3 May

**Holiday:** Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June

**Inset Day:** Monday 7th June

**Term Ends:** Wednesday 21 July

**Holiday:** Wednesday 21st July – Friday 3 September