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

As we approach the first of December and the official start of the Christmas celebrations, we take a moment to give thanks for the dedication and hard work of our children, staff, and parents during this busy time of year. Your commitment and support make our school community truly special.

This week has been Assessment Week for the children—a valuable opportunity to celebrate the progress they have made and to identify any gaps that we need to address to ensure every child reaches their full potential.

We also marked St. Andrew's Day with a special service in church. Our sincere thanks go to Reverend John and Sarah Ennis for leading this meaningful celebration, and to the children for highlighting the importance of St. Andrew to our school community.

Today, Maple Class from both schools came together for a worship session focused on the Great Fire of London, enriching their learning and spiritual growth.

Looking ahead, don't forget the Breakfast with Santa event at the village hall this weekend. A huge thank you to our wonderful SASA for organising this festive occasion that brings us all together.

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Thessalonians 5:18:

Wishing you all a joyful and peaceful start to the festive season.

Rachel Mills

Executive Headteacher

What's coming up this week...

Dates to note...

Monday 1st December

PE Kit - Willow

Tuesday 2nd December

2:15-3:15 Stay & Play for children starting school Sept 2026

Wednesday 3rd December

PE Kit - Maple & Oak

Thursday 4th December

PE Kit - Maple & Oak Class

Friday 5th December

PE Kit - Willow Ukulele lessons - Willow Class Rock up and Read - 8:45 - 9:15am

Please access the Schools' website for key events -

St Andrew's- <u>Upcoming Events | St. Andrew's CE Primary School</u>
(st-andrews-cliftoncampville.staffs.sch.uk)

December

- 2nd December 2:15-3:15 Stay & Play for children starting school Sept 2026
- 5th December Rock up and Read 8:45 9:15am
- 8th December Singing at the village hall coffee shop 10-10:30am
- 11th December Christingle Service 6pm in church
- 12th December Rick Whittington Panto Performance at SA Church 1.45pm to 3pm
- 12th December The Library Bus is here!
- 15th December Singing at the village hall coffee shop 10-10:30am
- 17th December Christmas dinner at school
- 18th December Nativity in Church followed by living out our school vision worship 9:15am
- 18th December Christmas parties
- 19th December Christmas Jumper Day!
- 19th December Christmas trip to Statfold- TBC
- 22nd December 2nd January Christmas Holiday

January

- 5th January Inset Day
- 6th January Return to School
- 9th January The Library Bus is here!
- 21st 23rd January Oak Class Bikeability Children need to have their own suitable bike and helmet bought into school. Please let us know if this is not possible.
- 23rd January The Library Bus is here!

Dinners for Week Commencing 1st December 2025 - Week 2

The New Menu is now on Arbor - Please all can you preorder your childrens meals



Natural Yoghurt (v) or

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Thursday

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and

Daily Options

Apple and Berry Crumble (v)

Desserts

Wednesday

Homemade Apple Cake (v) or

Fresh Fruit

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Seasonal vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar

Freshly Baked Oat and Raisin Cookies (v) or Fresh Fruit **具体的推动逐渐起北往倒现**的

Friday

Mains

cod served with oven fried chips

Seasonal vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar

Desserts

WINTER MENU FROM NOVEMBER 2025

Week 2

Monday

Mains

BBQ Chicken 100% chicken breast, topped with BBQ sauce and sliced peppers

Homemade fresh salad bar

Desserts

Chocolate and Caramel Cake

Tuesday

Mains

100% Pork sausage, beans, hash brown and an egg omelette

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar

Homemade Raisin Flapjack (v. ve) or

Wednesday

Mains

100% beef. Topped with sliced potatoes and

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and

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Friday

Breaded cod served with oven fried chips

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and

Homemade fresh salad bar

Ice Cream (v, ve, gf) or

Desserts

Mains

Sides

Apple Crumble (v) or Fresh Fruit

Thursday

yorkshire pudding and gravy or cheese

Sides

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and homemade fresh salad bar

Homemade Chocolate Brownie (v)

Daily Options



Monday

Pork meatballs served in a tomato and basil sauce with wholemeal pasta and Garlic

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar

Natural Yoghurt (v) or

Tuesday

Vegetarian Vegan Gluten Free

Dairy Free

Mains

Pork sausage in a baked bean casserole sauce topped with sliced potatoes

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar

Desserts

Lemon Cake (v) or Fresh Fruit

Wednesday

Mains

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and Homemade fresh salad bar

Roast Chicken 100% Chicken breast, served with roast potatoes, yorkshire pudding and gravy

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and

Desserts

Fresh Berry Sponge Cake (v) or Fresh Fruit

Mains

Breaded cod served with oven fried chips

Seasonal Vegetables of the day and

Desserts

Daily Options cket Potatoes

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

SASA Events



A magical morning of festive fun with Elf approved crafts & activities alongside Santa Claus.

Personalised keepsake included with all child and under 1's tickets

COOKED BREAKFAST & DRINK WITH EVERY TICKET

CHILD £12.00
ADULT £10.00 CLIFTON CAMPVILLE VILLAGE HALL
UNDER 1'S £3

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A TICKETED, PAY IN ADVANCE EVENT.

TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS CONTACT: SASA.CHARITYPTA@GMAIL.COM

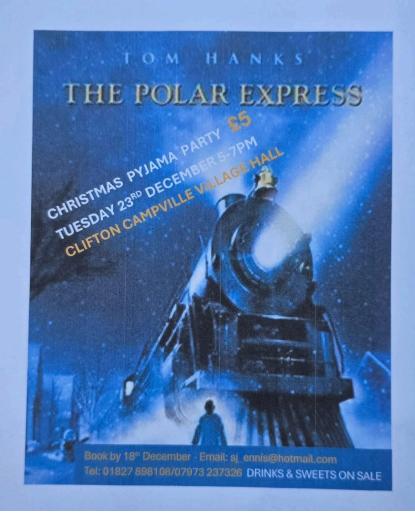


POLAR EXPRESS PJ PARTY - TUESDAY 23rd DECEMBER 5-7PM

In the week before Christmas why not 'get in the mood', come in your PJ's and Onesies for a 'Polar Express' party in the Village Hall. You can bring your favourite bean bag or cushion to lounge on as you enjoy the evening. Take home a souvenir 'I Believe' Bell.

Booking essential - tickets £5 to include hot food + hot chocolate, Drinks and sweets on sale,

NB. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an Adult



Wraparound Care!



Reminders

Please could each child bring in a large orange on Monday 8th December in preparation for making our christingles ahead of the services that week.

Statfold's Magical Santa Express! - 19th December

To secure your child's place on this exciting trip and any lunch orders, please complete the consent form below by Monday, 1st December. All payments should also be made via Arbor by this date.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSc18iQ_IWrOVcPYo8_XtyNbNoP9qv5JbS9leJf6vclUKqVQgA/viewform?usp=header_

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to a wonderful day!

Young Voices Payment of £19.50 is now on Arbor also to pay for those attending.

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.



ADVENT POSADA @ ST ANDREW'S

Welcome Mary & Joseph to stay at your place

There's a way to welcome Mary and Joseph into your home this Christmas through a lovely tradition originating in Mexico. It's called Posada and this is how it works...

'Posada' (Spanish for 'inn') is a Christmas activity which lasts through Advent when small versions of Mary and Joseph travel around different households in the community and stay there for one night.

People sign up in advance, offering to host Mary and Joseph for a night. Anyone can volunteer and lots of families find it's a great way to be involved in the Christmas story.

At other times of year, children often host special things from school, like school toys that have particular meaning, or as a reward for good work. Posada is a chance to host Mary and Joseph – to make room for Jesus at Christmas time!

On Christmas Eve, the figures are returned to church, the Nativity or Crib service as everyone gets ready to welcome the Christ child once again. (4pm at St Andrew's.)

The figures travel around in a story bag with a copy of the Christmas story, plus a diary into which all those who host Mary and Joseph can write in their experience. Also included in the bag is an Advent candle and this can be lit and burned down one section on the night which Mary and Joseph stay with the family. Hosts are welcome to take a photo which can be added to the Diary,

Posada is a chance to host Mary and Joseph – to make room for Jesus at Christmas time!

Peace and joy to the world be forever, Alleluia forever, Amen To sweet Mary and good Joseph, On their journey unto Bethlem

Now in Bethlem Mary tarried With good Joseph whom she married; From their hometown had they ridden, To their birthplace were they bidden.

Unto Bethlem hurried Mary, But the journey made her weary
She sought shelter where she maybe, For the comfort of her baby.

If you wish to take part in this event please complete the following form:

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Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025

Term Ends: Friday 19 December

Holiday: Monday 22 December – Friday 2 January

Spring Term 2026

Inset Day: Monday 5 January
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

