



*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 lovely week of growing and flourishing we have had at St Andrews. Children have been busy planting and caring for our outdoor areas, learning responsibility and enjoying time outside — it's wonderful to see our school grounds come to life. Thank you to Mrs Long for her lead on making our grounds come to life!

I want to say a special well done to our Year 6 children. They have shown real growth and determination this week as they approached their SATs with calmness and confidence. Their resilience is a credit to themselves and to Mrs Porter for her thoughtful preparation and support. We are very proud of every one of them.

Next week Oak class are off to Standon Bowers for their residential. This is a brilliant opportunity for them to develop independence, teamwork and confidence — I know they will have an amazing time.

I will also be attending the Tamworth Arts meeting next week. We are excited to be performing in the castle grounds on Saturday 4th July (time TBC): our children will join others from across Tamworth to sing a variety of songs, and we will be presenting our Mease dance to "Reach for the Stars" by S Club 7. It promises to be a joyful celebration of our pupils' creativity and community spirit.

Wishing you all a restful weekend and a great penultimate week of the half term.

Warmest regards,

*Rachel Mills*

*Executive Headteacher*

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

### Monday 18th May

PE Kit - Willow & Oak

Walk to school week!

Year 5&6 Residential to Standon Bowers

### Tuesday 19th May

Year 5&6 Residential to Standon Bowers

### Wednesday 20th May

PE Kit - Maple

Year 5&6 Residential to Standon Bowers

### Thursday 21st May

PE Kit - Maple

School census day - please help us by ordering a school dinner! See the Census Day menu below

### Friday 22nd 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](http://st-andrews-cliftoncampville.staffs.sch.uk)  
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## Dates to note...

### May

- 18th - 22nd May - Walk to School Week
- 18th-20th May - Year 5-6 Residential to Standon Bowers, **please make final payments the balance was due on May 4th.**
- 21st May School census day - please help us by ordering a school dinner! See the Census Day menu below
- 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
- Date to be confirmed W/C 15th June - SASA Fathers Day Breakfast 08:45 - 9:15am (Details to follow) Thank you to SASA for hosting this for us!
- 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**

**Save the date: Saturday 4th July- Tamworth Castle grounds performance (11-3) our time in stage tbc.**

# Dinners for Week Commencing 18th May 2026 - Week 3

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	
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>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>
Tuesday	<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>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>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>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>
Thursday	<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>Mains</b></p> <p>Tomato Pasta Bake Wholemeal pasta in a tomato sauce (v, ve, gf)</p> <p><b>Homemade Toasties</b></p> <p>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>Jacket Potatoes Freshly baked jacket potatoes. 1 filling from a choice of Tuna, Cheese or Beans (v, ve, gf)</p> <p><b>Homemade Toasties</b></p> <p>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>
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All of our food is made on site using the freshest ingredients and complies with all Government legislation for nutritional value for schools

# Census Day Menu



## Special Census day Menu

Thursday 21st May

### SUBS AND SIDES

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Meatball sub

cheesy beans sub

Hash brown

Sweetcorn

Homemade coleslaw

### JACKET POTATO

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Choose topping

Cheese

Baked beans

Homemade coleslaw

### DESSERT

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Frozen natural yogurt

tub-

Toffee or strawberry

A selection of fresh fruit

## *Let Your Light Shine Celebration*

*The following Children will be receiving an award at our Let your Light Shine assembly at School on Friday at 9am*

### *Maple Class*

*Olivia G*

*George*

*Esme*

### *Willow Class*

*Melina*

*Lily*

*Billy*

### *Oak Class*

*Ted A*

*Theo*

*Ted S*

*Archie*

*Ellie*



*Parents & Carers of the above children only are all welcome to attend*

## *Job Vacancies @ St Andrews*

*We have 2 teaching assistant roles available one which will include breakfast club and one afterschool club*

### **Job role**

Teaching assistant

Key stage 2

### **Working pattern**

Part time: Role 1: M-F 7.45 - 12.45. Unpaid break between 8.45-9am. 23.75 hours per week.

Role 2: M-F 12.45 - 5.15. 22.5 hours per week.

### **Contract type**

Fixed term - Linked to EHCP

### **Full-time equivalent salary**

£25,185

Full details in the link below

<https://www.tssmat.staffs.sch.uk/job-vacancies/teaching-assistant-2-roles>

## *Clifton Campville Fair*

*We've been asked by the Clifton Campville Country Fair Committee if we can invite parents from the school to support with putting up/taking down of marquees on the village green for the country fair.*

*Are there any volunteers available on Thursday morning 11th June from about 9.30am for set up of the marquees on the millennium green (ahead of the Country Fair). And/or from about 10.00am on Sunday 14th June to take marquees down.*

*Any offers of help very much appreciated please contact Lorna (country fair organiser)  
on [lornarobinson45@gmail.com](mailto:lornarobinson45@gmail.com) or 07977 125959.*

# Thank You for Your Consultation Feedback

Following the consultation period and review by the Local Governing Committee, the proposed changes to our school day have been approved for September 2026.



*This reduces our school day by 15 minutes from the start of the 2026 academic year, bringing us in line with other schools in the TSSMAT and meeting the expected 32.5 hour school week by the Department of Education*

## Adapted Wraparound Care for Working Families

We understand that an earlier finish affects family routines. Our wraparound care sessions have been adjusted to seamlessly cover the earlier finish at **no extra core cost**.



**After-School Club** ⌚ 3:15 pm to 4:30 pm **£5.20\***

**Extended Care** ⌚ 4:30 pm to 5:15 pm **£9.05\***

Thank you for your continued support as we implement this change to benefit our entire school community. We are providing this notice well in advance to ensure families have ample time to prepare. Should you have any questions regarding your specific childcare needs, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Miss R. Mills  
Executive Headteacher, St Andrew's Primary School

Mrs Anna Spencer-Gray  
Chair of the LGC

\*Prices remain consistent with previous rates, with only slight adjustments to session times to accommodate the earlier finish. (Please note these prices are subject to standard annual review).

## *Tax-free Childcare*

**Tax-Free Childcare can help with the cost of paying for childcare.**

**You'll need to set up a childcare account, which both you and the government will pay into. You can then use this money to pay your childcare provider.**

**For every £8 you pay into the account, the government will top it up by £2.**

**The total top up you can get for each child is £500 every 3 months (up to £2,000 a year). This goes up to £1,000 every 3 months if your child is disabled (up to £4,000 a year).**

**You'll usually need to be working (or returning to work) and your child must be 11 or younger (16 or younger if they're disabled).**

### **How it works**

**Once you have a childcare account, you can pay money into your account by Direct Debit, standing order or bank transfer.**

**Your payment will usually appear in your childcare account within one working day. The government's payment is added at the same time.**

**You can then pay your childcare provider.**

**You must sign in to your childcare account every 3 months to confirm you're still eligible. If you do not, your Tax-Free Childcare will stop.**

**For more information go to <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>.**



# JUNIOR PARKRUN

EVERY SUNDAY  
9AM

Fun, free running events  
for 4-14 year olds!

**JOIN US AT TAMWORTH CASTLE GROUNDS**

Register at: [juniorparkrun.com](http://juniorparkrun.com)

# 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 96.7%

Year 1 96.7%

Year 2 90.0%

Year 3 98.2%

Year 4 100%

Year 5 97.5%

Year 6 100%

Well done to Year 4 and Year 6 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...

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

# 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

# SASA

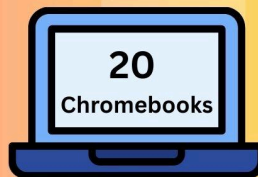
Thank you for all your generosity!  
SASA have been able to support our school with resources,  
enrichment, & improved outdoor spaces!

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 was due on May 4th. Please note now that we are less than 2 weeks 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.

# Viral Trend Causing Severe Burns To Children

Children and young people are microwaving squishy silicone toys after seeing online videos claiming this makes the toys softer and more pliable. When the toy is squeezed afterwards, it bursts and sprays boiling material, which reportedly has left children's hands and faces seriously burned. This trend has seriously injured children in the UK and US, most recently in May 2026 in Bristol, UK.

We ask that parents, school staff and professionals avoid searching for this challenge directly on platforms as each search feeds the algorithm and increases the content's reach, making the videos more visible to users. Instead, refer to our article to understand more and get guidance on responding.

**PLEASE CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW FOR FULL INFORMATION**

[SAFEGUARDING ALERT: Viral Trend Risks Causing Severe Burns to Children - Ineqe Safeguarding Group](#)

## 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