



St. Andrew's C.E. Primary School Newsletter

Monday 29th March 2021

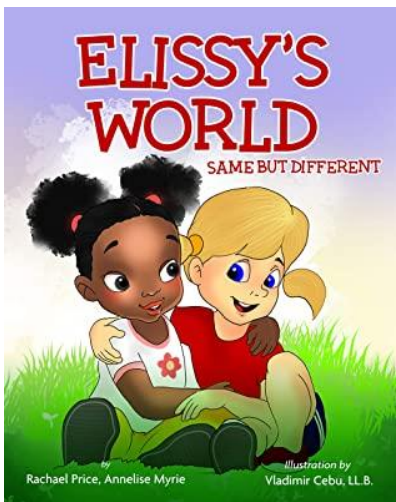
Dear Parents and Carers,

You should receive the parent and pupil surveys today. Please complete and return when you are able to. Your feedback is helpful in making the school the great place it is for your children.

Last Friday saw the completion of the new Year 6 block. The children in year 6 will be formally moving into the building when they return after the Easter holidays. It has been finished to a high standard and we are looking forward to getting it up and running. I should like to thank our School Governors for their support and Jo Wootton, our School Business Manager, for the time she has spent liaising with the building team at OCC and Borrás. It has been a successful project.



We will have a formal opening later in the year.



Authors

In Friday's assembly I read this wonderful book to the children. Co-written by one of our parents with the assistance of one of our pupil's, Annelise. It was a wonderful read and the children were able to reflect and empathise with the messages in the book.

We should like to build on this opportunity as a wonderful resource in school. Mrs Myrie has agreed to support school with a writing project planned for September.

Chicks in school

Once again, we will have the chicks in school. The eggs arrive at the end of April so hopefully they will hatch in May. The children loved it last time so we thought we should get them back.



Outdoor Learning

As part of our drive to develop the outdoor area, the old sheds on Benton playground are going to be removed off site hopefully in the Easter holiday and replaced with more robust storage. We have plans underway to create some permanent exercise equipment on both Manser and Benton playgrounds and zone off some areas for children to have the option of quieter spaces.

In Term 6 the whole school will be working on outdoor topics. We will have storytelling tents, outdoor cooking and will make use of the site in general.

If you can help with fully working tents or outdoor learning equipment please contact the school office.

Well done Hallie - Our Community Hero

During lockdown Hallie took part in the school run half marathon, but decided she would like to make it into a fundraiser for the NHS. She managed to raise an amazing £330 which she then spent choosing treats and goodies, and making up personal care bags for all the staff working on the Covid wards. She said it was incredibly hard looking after her mum



when she had Covid so they must be really tired looking after so many! On Monday Hallie met with the CEO of Stoke Mandeville hospital to personally hand over the gifts. They were absolutely made up with what she had done and she was given a community hero award! She was very proud to represent St Andrew's school too!



Polite Reminder

In the interests of health and safety (much as we love them) dogs, are not permitted on the school site. This excludes planned visits, therapy and assistance dogs with an agreement with the school.

Thank you for your continued support. Wishing all our families a very Happy Easter.

Annette Mashru - Headteacher

