



Friday 11th July 2025

Our Vision: At St Andrew's CE Primary School, we aim to bring children to a place where they can realise their full potential. Our Christian values are the foundation of all we do and each one is a facet of the central value, love, which 'always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.' (1 Corinthians 13:7) *Protect, Trust, Hope and Persevere*

Year 5 enriched their literacy and RE learning this term with a school trip to Oxford. The visit was made up of a workshop and galleries session at the Story Museum and a visit to Christ Church Cathedral with several different activities for the children to take part in. During the Story Museum workshop, the children transformed into oral storytellers and used their extensive imaginations to come up with their own folktales. In the cathedral, the children were able to learn about St Frideswide, Patron Saint of Oxford, and view her shrine. They also learnt about the creation and importance of stained glass windows. We were even lucky enough to finish the trip off with seeing the famous 'Harry Potter stairs' and the dining hall at Christ Church which both featured in the films!



Pupil-Led Investigations & Science Poster Competition 2025

Throughout British Science Week, students across the school engaged in pupil-led investigations, working in teams to explore their own scientific ideas and questions. These experiments focused on the five key enquiry skills: observing over time; pattern seeking; comparative & fair testing; identifying, grouping & classifying; and researching. The children completed experiment posters to showcase their curiosity and scientific inquiry in action.

The winners of our in-school experiment poster competition are as follows, showing off their fabulous posters and prizes:

KS1 – Pola, Keon, Zoe LKS2 – Daniel, Harry, Ella, Hannah UKS2 – Bonnie, Grace, Lucy, Annelise

As the UKS2 winning team, five Year 5 girls visited the Science Oxford Centre for the Big Science Event. They explored the hands-on Exploration Zone before going pond-dipping, discovering and classifying many fascinating creatures. They proudly presented their competition-winning poster and investigation to other schools, STEM Champions, and scientists. It was an inspiring day, full of curiosity, discovery, and sharing their passion for science.





Year 3 have been exploring **Chinnor** and its surrounding countryside as part of our topic work. We visited the windmill, went for a picnic up Chinnor Hill and explored the Old Kiln Lakes area. The children learnt about how jobs have changed in Chinnor and the different places that people worked in, in the past. We talked about why these changes occurred and the children had the opportunity to explore the beautiful local countryside.



The KS2 choir sang for audiences at the renowned 40th Festival of Voices concert in Dorchester Abbey. After a rehearsal, the children enjoyed a picnic tea amidst the abbey's scenic grounds. With their voices warmed up, they took to the stage, making their parents proud in an evening of wonderful singing.



School Uniform

In preparation for next September please see the guidance below. We ask parents to support the school in making sure children come to school in the correct uniform.

<https://st-andrews.oxon.sch.uk/school-information/school-uniform>

If everyone ensures the uniform guidelines are followed it supports parents when children ask to wear items outside of the policy e.g. black trainers instead of school shoes, cycle shorts instead of PE shorts.

If you do need clarification or have questions regarding uniform requirements especially regarding your individual circumstances or where to purchase the correct items, please ask your child's class teacher or the school office.