



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

Wednesday 20th July 2022



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

Goodbye and good luck to all our Y6 pupils!

Year 6 have had many 'lasts' over the past few weeks.

Last Wednesday the traditional leavers' service was held at St Andrew's Church. The children shared their many memories and thanked everyone for their time at St. Andrew's. Thank you to the clergy team for

making us feel so welcome, as always.

It had conquered Broadway and West End, now it has conquered St Andrew's. The **Year 6** production of 'The Lion King' was a colourful and vibrant display of acting, singing, and performing. The cast delivered two excellent performances to a sell-out crowd. Both casts enjoyed the opportunity to bring their creative skills to life and the performances received rave reviews.



A festival atmosphere was in the air on Monday 11th July. The **Year 6** children enjoyed the disco, bouncy castle, and refreshments available and danced the night away. It was a spectacular evening and a perfect memory to cherish as they leave St Andrew's. We would like to thank the parents for all their hard working in organising such an enjoyable evening.

We should also like to thank the staff and trainee teachers who are moving on to new ventures. Thank you for everything you have contributed to the school.

Music and Dance

Marimba Club gave an end of year performance to parents, playing all their favourite pieces. With patience, perseverance, teamwork and practice, they have learnt to play different parts, to listen to each other and create a beautiful sound, perfect for these hot, sunny afternoons! Thanks goes to Jan Merrow-Smith, for all she has achieved with this group - something we are proud of. Videos of the performance can be found on the school website.



We were delighted to invite parents in to share the music recitals with children taking part from across the school. The **Year 3s** have made amazing progress with their string lessons, funded by SASA. We would like to thank Lisa Paterson from Oxfordshire County Music for her expert tuition - even Mr Nixon was able to join in! The recorder groups have also grown, thanks to the dedication and expertise of Gail Roberts (Joyful Music), producing some exceptional performances. There are plenty of gifted and talented musicians at St Andrew's - well done to everyone who took part.

We have signed up to take a **KS2** choir to Wembley Arena for a Young Voices concert in February 2023. More details will follow in September but, if you can't wait to start singing, you can use this Spotify link to enjoy learning the songs over the summer holiday. <https://youngvoices.cmail19.com/t/t-l-alldtll-jyjlhilyil-j/>



Year 4 had a splendiferous day at the Roald Dahl museum in Great Missenden! They spent time exploring the local area to find out about his life and inspiration for his stories. They then got to look around the museum at the different themed sections and had the opportunity to design their own character.



Here are some pictures from our Ancient Egyptian dance project last week. Miss Booth invited 10 children from each **Year 3** class take part in choreographing a dance in just 1 hour based on what they've learnt about the Ancient Egyptians, using pictures from artefacts and hieroglyphics to inspire their movement. They then shared their performance with the rest of the Year 3 class and received feedback. It was a fantastic afternoon of creativity and collaboration!



Carnival



Well done to the amazing group of governors, SASA and staff for bringing back our much-loved carnival. At last count over **£5000 profit** was made, which is the highest we have recorded! It was great to see the parade back again. The atmosphere was incredible, and everyone had a family fun filled day. Thank you to all who supported this event.

Bye Bye - Bus

Unfortunately, due to health and safety requirements our lovely learning bus is no longer suitable for our site, so it will also be leaving us at the end of term. We will have a garden room situated by the pool to be used as a breakout space like the bus.

Annette Mashru – **Headteacher**

Wishing all our families lots of fun and relaxation over the summer holiday!
Thank you for your support this year.