



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

Friday 18th October 2024

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 enjoyed their residential trip to Youlbury this term. The children had a go at activities such as the 3G swing, Jacob's ladder, nature art and crate stacking. Everyone demonstrated great skills of resilience, creativity, teamwork and courage! We were really proud of them all.



Year 6 were fortunate enough to have the ambulance service come in and talk to us about CPR and 'Start a Heart'. We learned lots about how the heart works and



how it affects the rest of our organs in our body. We had the chance to practice our CPR skills on dummies, which was fun and exciting whilst also giving us skills for life. Thank you to Mrs Mantle and Joe for coming in and teaching us this valuable lesson!

In EYFS, we have been exploring countries all Around the World. From food markets in Africa, to exploring the Amazon Rainforest in South America. The children listened closely to the sounds of the rainforest and used their crafted rainsticks to re-enact what they heard.

If you haven't had a chance to take a look at our first few weeks of school slideshow, here is the QR code.





Our Year 3 children have been painting vibrant, floral landscapes, inspired by the decorative style of Gustav Klimt. Gustav Klimt was an Austrian symbolic painter from the 19th century. The children have been using bold coloured animals and floral patterns to bring their nature inspired scenes to life.



It has been a 'Noisy' start in science this term as Year 4 children have been studying sound. They have considered how sounds are created and travel. Investigations included finding out



which materials are best for soundproofing and understanding how sound can travel quicker through a solid than air, by talking through string telephones. The children also had the opportunity to design their own musical instruments and some children have made an instrument at home. They had to consider how to change both the pitch and amplitude of the sounds produced.



The children in Year 2 have been working very hard this term - in literacy we have been thinking about our spelling and handwriting, the classes enjoyed a game of 'heads-up' to practise both skills. We have also enjoyed a session with the boom-whackers as a reward for all their hard work!



The Year 1 children were lucky enough to watch a puppet play about The Lost Sheep and then shared their thoughts on how to be a good shepherd and how they would feel if they lost something. The RE Inspired team then talked to the children about how this story links to God and his followers. The children made their own sheep which they thoroughly enjoyed.

Good luck to our Y6 children on their residential trip. Have a great time.

Thank you for your continued support, Annette Mashru - Headteacher

Diary Dates

- October 17th - MUFTI wear red for Racism Red Card Day
- October 18th - Parents to visit classes 2.30pm - Around the World
- October 18th - SASA Quiz night
- November 7th - Open Afternoon 1.15pm
- November 11th - Armistice Remembrance 11am
- November 11th - Anti Bullying Week / World Kindness Day
- November 14th - SASA Y5 Cake Sale
- November 14th - Open Morning 9.30am
- November 15th - MUFTI Children in Need
- November 22nd - SASA KS2 Disco
- November 25th - Open Afternoon 1.15pm
- November 27th - Henry VIII visit Y4
- November 28th - EYFS writing for parents 9am
- November 29th - St Andrew's Day
- December 4th - Thame Festival of Voices Y4 7pm
- December 6th - Posada starts
- December 7th - SASA Christmas Fayre
- December 9th - Y1 Christmas Production 2pm
- December 10th - Y2 Christmas Production 2pm
- December 11th - EYFS Christmas Production 2.15pm
- December 13th - Year 3 Christmas Production 2pm
- December 18th - Christmas Lunch – MUFTI Xmas Jumper can be worn
- December 19th - A Christmas Pantomime in school for Y1 - Y6 and a special surprise 'visitor' in a red suit for EYFS children - Christmas Jumpers can be worn
SASA Elfridges
- December 20th - School Finishes at 1.30pm



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