



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

Monday 24th November 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

Dear Parents and Carers,

A group of Year 6 children had a fantastic afternoon at the Oxfordshire Book Awards at Magdalen College School in Oxford. They listened to the winning authors talk about their amazing books and what inspired them to write. The children were thrilled to meet some of the authors in person and had the chance to get their own books signed! To make the day even more special, they were all given a delicious cake to enjoy while celebrating the joy of reading. It was a truly inspiring experience that has encouraged our young readers to keep exploring new stories and perhaps even dream of becoming authors themselves one day!



The Year 1 children immersed themselves into their recent science unit on seasons using Now Press Play, an interactive storytelling platform that uses just headphones to capture imaginations via an audio adventure. Using their listening skills, along with developing coordination and vocabulary, the children were thrilled to try the equipment and engage themselves in the story. The school has recently been given the opportunity to upgrade the Now Press Play equipment - this will ensure children across the school have access to the most recent content.

They have also been working on understanding part-whole models in maths. The children have been working in pairs and groups to consolidate their knowledge of fact families, part-whole models and constructing number sentences using practical lessons to further the understanding.



Our school sports events kicked off brilliantly with the Year 3/4 Boys' Football Tournament — and St Andrew's came out on top! After winning every match in the group stage, the team faced St Joseph's in a tense final. With great teamwork and determination, St Andrew's secured a 2–1 victory to lift the trophy.

A fantastic achievement and a great start to the season!

Year 3 have had an exciting few weeks of hands-on learning! In geography, the children created fantastic coastline shoebox models, carefully adding labels to show key features such as cliffs, beaches, bays and headlands. They also explored how erosion and deposition shape our coasts over time. In science, we have been busy investigating forces. The children tested how different friction surfaces affect the speed of a toy car travelling down a ramp, making predictions, carrying out fair tests and recording their results.



Diary Dates

November 21st - Y5 Cake Sale

November 25th - Henry VIII visit Y4

November 28th - St Andrew's Day

December 1st - Open Afternoon 1.15pm

December 3rd - Thame Festival of Voices 7pm

December 5th - Posada starts

December 6th - SASA Christmas Fayre

December 8th - Y1 Christmas Production 2.30pm

December 9th - Y2 Christmas Production 2.30pm

December 10th - YR Christmas Production 2.30pm

December 11th - Y6 Trip to Imperial War Museum

December 12th - Y3 Christmas Production 2.15pm

December 16th - KS2 Carol Services

December 17th - Christmas Lunch – Christmas Jumper can be worn

December 18th - A Christmas Pantomime in school for Y1 - Y6 and a special surprise 'visitor' in a red suit for YR children – Christmas Jumpers can be worn

December 19th - School finishes at 1.30pm

Thank you for your continued support, Annette Mashru - Headteacher