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



## **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* 



## <u>Welcome</u>

We would like to welcome Mrs Danielle Mann to the school team. Danielle joined the admin team to support the increased workload, so you may speak to her when you call the school. There is so much to learn in this role and it is a very busy part of the school. Thank you in advance for supporting Danielle in her new role by ensuring absence and any necessary communication is clear and prompt. We are delighted to have you on the team Danielle.



#### EYFS

In EYFS the topic is 'Buildings'. Would you like a home which isn't waterproof? The crepe paper soon had a large hole where we poured in the water. It stained the table, and made the felt tip colouring smudge! Phoebe's pig looked quite sad.



Rooooaaarrrr! **Year 1** were transported back 65 million years to when the dinosaurs roamed freely, with a visit from Bella the baby Velociraptor, Mia the baby Triceratops, and Sophie the T-Rex. The children stroked the dinosaurs before they got too hungry for their snack! Then, the children became palaeontologists and dug for fossils, using lots of information sheets to gather facts about dinosaurs and pre-historic animals. There were some truly amazing costumes worn too!











Following on from World Book Day, **Year 4** were lucky enough to get a reservation at the 'Book Tasting' restaurant. The children were able to 'taste' a selection of books from a variety of genres and authors to encourage them to branch out from what they would usually read. The menu included: poetry and rhyming books, picture books, graphic novels and magazines, classic novels, books by famous authors (such as Michael Morpurgo, Roald Dahl and Enid Blyton) and non-fiction texts. The children then left a review from one book that they tried on each table to help them decide which they would like to read in the future. Some reviews that the children left included:

- "I liked the blurb of this book and I have seen the film so I think I will read it"
- "I liked the pictures but it would be better if it had more words to go with them"
- "I know my brother enjoys these books so I might read them too"
- "I liked the poem book because it made reading more fun"



On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, the **Year 6** boys football team went to Tetsworth to compete in the Thame Partnership football tournament. The St Andrew's boys did exceptionally well, not conceding a goal in the group stages and going through to the knockout games. They managed to get to the final, which ended in a dramatic penalty shootout, which we unfortunately lost to John Hampden. They all went home happily with runners up medals!

#### **Diary Dates**

March 13<sup>th</sup> - Hatching Eggs arrive March 16<sup>th</sup> - Year 2 SATs talk for parents March 17<sup>th</sup> - Red Nose Mufti day and Y3 Cake Sale March 20<sup>th</sup> - Y5 Chiltern Open Air Museum Trip March 21<sup>st</sup> - Year 4/5 Production 2pm March 22<sup>nd</sup> - Year 4/5 Production 2pm March 23<sup>rd</sup> - World Maths Day March 23<sup>rd</sup> - Y2 to the Story Museum March 31<sup>st</sup> - Term ends 1.30pm

