

11<sup>th</sup> May 2018

**NEWSLETTER 29**

Dear Parents/carers and children,



**ROYAL WEDDING 'TEA PARTY' LUNCH**

We will be serving a 'Royal Wedding Tea Party' lunch next Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May. This will consist of: Ham & cucumber sandwich, sausage roll, fruit & royal wedding sponge cake OR Cheese & cucumber sandwich, cheese pastry, fruit & royal wedding sponge cake. The cost of the meal is £2.50 for KS2 and no charge for KS1. If you wish to order this for your child, please login to ParentPay to make your selections. **Please note this change to the menu will have over-written any choices already made for this date. Please remember to send your child in with a packed lunch that day if you have not opted for one of the above choices.**

**SATS WEEK – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May –** Year 6 Statutory Assessments will be taking place next week and pupils are invited to come along to our SATs Breakfast Club from 8am in Exe Class, giving your child time to relax with friends, enjoy a leisurely breakfast and take part in some peer massage should they wish to. We know that everyone will do their very best and look forward to an enjoyable week with breakfast, extended playtimes and sports afternoons alongside a little bit of final top tips. We will finish the week with a celebratory day on Friday as a reward for all the hardwork Year 6 have put in. We will be off to French Weir Park to hopefully enjoy some sunshine whilst relaxing and playing followed by our packed lunch in the park and finishing with a fun swim at Taunton Pool. We ask that you ensure that your child is as ready as possible for the week by having early nights and arriving on time, refreshed for the day ahead. We wish our Year 6's the best of luck and are confident that they will rise to the occasion and demonstrate all the skills and knowledge which they have gained during their time at St Andrew's.

**ONLINE SAFETY** – the online game 'Fortnite' has become an extremely popular game which a significant amount of pupils appear to be playing. Fortnite is a mass online brawl where 100 players leap out of a plane on to a small island and then fight each other until only one is left. It exposes the children to a wide range of weapons and shooting. The game's violent nature is being hidden behind colourful visuals, funny dance moves, costumes and humour which makes it appealing for children. We would request that as parents, you check to see if your child is playing Fortnite, followed by relevant online safety conversations. If children are playing on an Xbox or PlayStation, you can use the parent controls to limit the length of gaming sessions. Fortnite has a PEGI rating of 12 which means it is not suitable for children under this age. Further parental guidance can be found on our Twitter page.

**PLEASE NOTE –** Trinity Agape postponed due to Sport and Health week events. New date to be announced

**IMAGE CONSENT FORMS**

Please complete and return these to the School Office asap.

**NEWS - AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

**Cancellations:**

**TOURNAMENT SELECTION**

If your child has been selected to play in a sports tournament, please can you ensure they wear their PE kit, which should be a white t-shirt and navy shorts/joggers.

We sometimes have to ask parents to help with transport to and from the event, if we do not have enough help, unfortunately we may have to cancel our participation in a tournament.

<b>MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Athletics Club	KS2	Ms Doherty & Mr. Green
<b>TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Boys' Cricket Club	KS2 Boys	Mr Green
Study Club	Years 4,5 & 6	Ms Doherty
<b>WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Rounders Club	KS2	Ms Doherty & Mr. Green
<b>THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
DJ Club	KS1 & KS2	Mrs Exell
Girls' Cricket Club	KS2 Girls	Mr Green
<b>FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Study Club	Years 4,5 & 6	Ms Doherty
Bat & Ball Club	Years 1 & 2	Mr Green



**TWITTER**

Thank you for your positive feedback on our new Twitter account. If you have not already done so, you can sign up for a Twitter account for free, you then need to search for us @StAndrewTaunton and can click on 'follow' so that you receive notifications of what is happening. Have a look at the 'tweets' which are already on there!

**SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS (TEMPEST)**

The deadline for sending your completed order (with correct payment) to the School office is Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May

**HEADLICE**

Please check your child's hair and treat accordingly, as we have had reports of children in school with headlice.

**PTFA****Diary dates:**

\*PTFA Meeting – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 3.30pm (after school) in hall. All parents welcome (a DVD will be playing to keep children entertained for the duration)

\*Reception & KS1 Sponsored Bounce – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May (am). Sponsor forms were sent home this week. Please return sponsor forms and fund-raising to the School Office by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Children will receive an ice-pole for participating.

\*Cake Sale - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May ~ Donations welcome!

\*Race Night - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 7pm in the School Hall ~ Tickets are £5 each, to include food & raffle entry, available from PTFA Committee members. BYOB.

\*Summer Fair - Friday 22nd June 5 - 7pm

\*KS2 Sponsored Football Event – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July ~ Staplegrave football pitch on Corkscrew Lane. BBQ & refreshments. More information & sponsor forms to follow!

\*Mufti Day - Friday 20th July Children can come to school dressed in appropriate casual clothes (£1 donation)

\*Summer Discos - Monday 23rd July (Reception & KS1 5 - 6pm & KS2 6.30-8pm)

**REQUEST FOR BEDDING PLANTS**

Mrs Goddard and Mrs Byrnes are tidying up the green area and would be grateful to receive any donations of bedding plants to enhance the area

**ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH LITTER PICK**

St. Andrew's Church are holding a litter pick on Saturday 12th May from 10-11am. Please bring protective gloves. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

**DIARY DATES**

<b>MAY</b>	
Monday –Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> - 17th	Year 6 SATs Tests, Year 6 Breakfast Club
Monday 14th	Brue class to Forest School (last session)
Thursday 17th	Year 5 Strike and Field event
Friday 18th	Year 6 celebration day – French Weir Park and Fun Swim
Friday 18th	2.45pm Forest School Meeting for Reception parents
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Health and Sports Week – Whole School (Letter sent home with full details)
Wednesday 23rd	Foundation and KS1 Sharing Assembly at 2.15pm in St Andrew's Church.
Friday 25th	Trinity Agape 10am in St Andrew's Church - <b>POSTPONED DUE TO HEALTH WEEK</b>
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	LAST DAY OF TERM
Monday 28th	HALF TERM WEEK
<b>JUNE</b>	
Monday 4th	BACK TO SCHOOL
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> and Fri 8th	Year 6 Bikeability course – letters to follow
Thursday 14th	Whole School NSPCC Assemblies
Friday 15th	Reception pupils' Forest School sessions begin
Tuesday 19th	Year 6 Leavers' Day at Wells Cathedral – letters to follow
Thursday 21st	Year 5 and Year 6 – NSPCC workshops
Friday 22nd	School Fete
Monday 25th	'Together in voice' – choir event at Wells Cathedral
Tuesday 26th	Year 6 Workshop – Stand Against Violence
Wednesday 27th	Year 4 Orienteering event – Norton Manor
<b>JULY</b>	
Tuesday 3rd	New Class afternoon – children will spend time with their new teacher
Wednesday 4th	Foundation Multi Skills Festival Open classrooms (after school)
Thursday 5th	KS2 Music Concert 2.15pm
Monday 9th	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> and Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 and Year 4 Performance – Details to follow
Thursday 12th	Reports to parents
Tuesday 17th	Sports Day
Monday 23rd	Leaver's Service 2pm in St Andrew's Church.
Tuesday 24th	Awards Assembly 10am
Tuesday 24th	Last day of term

Yours sincerely,

Tamar Warner & Kaye  
Frounks  
Acting Headteachers

*St Andrew's Church 'Fete on the Green'*

*Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2.00 – 4.00pm*

*There are limited tables available for people wishing to sell home-made craft items at the event.*

*They are also looking for a business owner with a sign-written car or van which they would like to advertise at the Fete by having their vehicle filled with balloons for a 'guess the number of balloons' competition.*

*To discuss either of these opportunities, please contact Alison Perry on 01823 275571*