

# Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior School

# NEWSLETTER 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019



### News about: Our Shine Celebration

The children who have 'Shone their light' this week are:

Base 1 - Finlay

Base 2 - Zorianna

Base 3 - Emily J

Base 4 - Jake C

Base 5 - Hendry

Base 6 - Izzy

Base 7 - Liam

Base 8 - Evan



They will be bringing home the class 'Herdy' and we will be inviting their parents in to share our Shine Celebration next Friday at 2:40.

We are all trying to shine at St Andrew's!

News about: Year 3 visiting Danbury Outdoor Centre. Year 3 had a wonderful trip to Danbury Park on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October- they were being Stone-age people for the day.

The weather was kind to them and behaviour was exceptionally good.

The children enjoyed building dens, making fires and stalking 'prey'. They also developed their skills of Stone-age art techniques; which they had started in school (hiding in the dark computer suite with a tiny electric candle- pretending that they were in caves).









Thank you to our parent helpers: Mr Reed, Mrs Riat, Mrs Davies and Mrs Winward.

News from: The Head's office
Dear Parents,
As we are hurtling towards half
term it is good to reflect on the
past weeks.

Watching the children in Year 3 grow in confidence as they find their way around the school building, know what is expected and are fitting their new uniforms better is always so lovely. As is seeing all children settle into their new classes and develop relationships with their new class teachers and TAs. Being known and loved is so important to all children, being able to grow, develop and shine at school. This is at the forefront of all of our interactions with the children at St Andrew's. Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Becky Black

News about: Year 5 writing Base 2 have been developing their skills in editing this week by using 'Editing Stations'.





The children were using highlighters to identify their best phases and vocabulary and using dictionaries to check their spellings.

# News from the Rainbow Room: ASD Training & Support

This week saw St Andrew's
Juniors host the termly Autistic
Spectrum Professionals group.
This group allows teachers and
experienced teaching assistants,
working with pupils with ASD
(traits), to offer advice and
support to each other. The group
discussed meeting sensory needs,
planning engaging activities and
supporting pupils with demand
avoidant traits.

We were also very fortunate to send two members of staff on a 2 day ASD training course.

Needless to say, the staff will be implementing all of their new knowledge and skills to support pupils to get the most out of their time in school!

Mrs A. Dutaut
SENCO and Deputy Headteacher

## News about upcoming events:

Harvest- Thank you to those families who have already brought in food for our Harvest collection for the Braintree Foodbank.

We will be celebrating our Harvest Festival at St Andrew's church on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> this is a joint celebration with Hatfield Peverel Infant School.

Year 4 trip -Year 4 will be heading off to Colchester Castle on Monday. They are sure to have a brilliant time developing their knowledge about the Romans.

Parent consultation meetings - You should have received your time-slot for either Tuesday or Thursday. Our Governing board will be in attendance and will be asking you to complete their annual parent questionnaire while you wait for your appointment. We will be analysing the responses in order to help move the school forward - I would really value your opinions.

News about: Miss Delf

Miss Delf has begun her maternity leave slightly earlier than she had hoped due to medical issues. We are wishing her well and looking forward to when her baby girl joins the St Andrew's extended family in November.

#### News about: A Christmas card competition

Priti Patel has invited all Witham primary children to create a Christmas card that will enter a competition.

The details are:

For it to be drawn using pen, pencil or crayons only with nothing stuck on to it.

It should be drawn on an A4 piece of paper and not folded.

The child's name, age and address will be clearly marked on the back and this information will be printed on the back of any winning cards which are chosen for printing.

All Competition entries must be given to the school office by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November when they will be posted.

## News about: A new Lunchtime Club

On Wednesday Barry and Sandie (from Reality Church based in Hatfield Peverel) led an assembly for us all. They will be running a free lunchtime club in Base 9 from 12:30-1:00 each Monday.

It will involve: stories, songs, crafts, games and much more. Fliers have been sent home.

Thank you to Barry and Sandie for giving
St Andrew's these opportunities.

Help needed: Clean,
plastic bottle tops from
any bottles (juice, milk,
fizz) needed for an Art
project being planned for
Remembrance day. The
more the better.
Please send to the office.

#### **REMINDER:**

NO SCHOOL RUN CLUBS
WILL BE ON NEXT WEEK
DUE TO PARENTS'
CONSULTATION
MEEETINGS.

OPEN DAYS FOR:
PROSPECTIVE PARENTS
November 20<sup>th</sup> and December 4<sup>th</sup>
Please book through the Infant
Office.