

Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior School NEWSLETTER 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

This has felt like one of the longest terms ever... I am not sure if this is for all of us? Although I am sure the two week Easter break is much needed for everyone.

This term we have experienced higher staff absence due to COVID than in any other term since the pandemic began. I would like to THANK all school staff for going 'above and beyond' in so many ways. As a team everyone has pulled together for the good of the children and their learning; but it is important to acknowledge the additional pressure this has put on everyone and the degree of exhaustion being experienced. Thank you for your continual support and appreciation of the opportunities the children have. We are all constantly looking to enhance and develop all learning in school for the benefit of your children.

All children have spent time at St Andrew's Church this week where they have enjoyed a 'child-friendly' stations of the cross experience. This has been made by Mr and Mrs Keenan - we would like to thank them for doing this; it is a lovely addition to our Easter celebrations in school.

It will be available to go and visit during the Easter break if you fancy a lovely walk.



Thank you all again for your support. please do have a lovely Easter break.



Mrs Black and the St Andrew's team

### SCHOOL RETURNS ON: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

### WARM WELCOME!

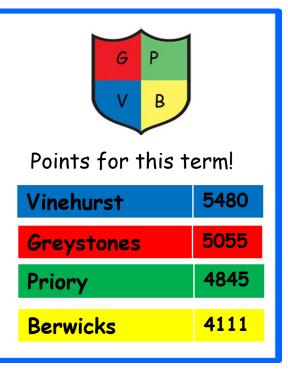
We will be welcoming our first family from the Ukraine after the Easter break. I am practising some Ukrainian phrases. 'Good morning' is **Dobrogo ranku** 'Good afternoon' is **Dobry den**  <u>REMINDERS</u> ALL children need a refillable water bottle in school each day please.

□ School meals will cost £2.30 after Easter.

Goodbye to **Blake** in year 3. We wish him well as he joins a new school nearer his home. We hope you settle quickly, you will be missed.



Wishing a very Happy Birthday to those who have celebrated their birthdays between: 28<sup>th</sup> March and 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022 Isaac, Henry M, Sophie G, Abigail R, Sienna, George D, Max F, Eden M, Charlie N, Harry B, Eli G, Mrs Banyard, Mrs Kiri, Mrs Briggs,





These are the children who have been spotted shining in school this week. We could have chosen so many children- the decisions were hard to make! Well done for demonstrating our CARE values.

> Blake - Apple London - Birch Callum - Cherry Alexander and Vincent- Fir Everyone for a brilliant performance - Maple Everyone for brilliant performance - Oak Ella-Rosezena - Rowan Edward - Sycamore

Compassion Achievement Respect Enjoyment Every child is loved and known. Every child shines.



### Science, technology, Engineering and Maths



Teigan Crisp visited Year 5 and 6 on Friday. She told the children about her job in the defence industry, explained what engineering means and spoke to the children about what electrical and electronic engineering systems she has been involved in including the horizon camera used in 'SpringWatch'. Their final challenge was to get involved in two engineering projects of their own, as you can see!







Spotlight on STEM

### Science, technology, Engineering and Maths



British Science week was celebrated by many people across the country a few weeks ago. The children at St. Andrew's celebrated it this week! We were lucky enough to have visits from two STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) ambassadors.



Barry Wood visited every class on Thursday and introduced the children to the concept of engineering and its evidence in virtually everything around us. He spoke about the International Space Station, the importance of magnets in motors and their impact on so much of our everyday life.



Thank you to Mrs Spilling and Mrs Waring who organised our STEM week.



# Spotlight on Year 5 Easter performance



Year 5 treated the whole school and their parents to their performance of Three Little trees. The musical was a reminder of the Christmas and Easter stories and how everyone has a special purpose in life although you might not know it yet!







Well done and thank you to the wonderful ISA and JSA members who helped with the preparation and organising of such a lovely sunny event.









Thank you to everyone who came!

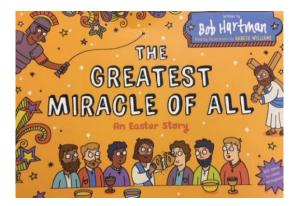


## Spotlight on Barry and Sandie from Reality Church.



A few photos illustrating the wonderful time that our children have at Barry and Sandie's Monday lunch club.

All children are bringing home a little booklet about the Easter story. This is a gift from Reality Church. We want to thank them for this lovely gift for each child. We are so grateful for the opportunities they bring to St Andrew's.





Jack and his Dad have now been taking part in camping out in their garden one weekend every month since the first lock down, so for two years!. This has included camping in rain, snow and sun and it doesn't appear to be coming to an end yet. The snow camping was Jack's highlight – Jack and his Dad upgraded their tent as well in the first year. During this time Jack earned extra camping badges whilst in Beavers as well as learning how to pitch and pack away a tent, to prepare and light fires using matches as well as a flint and steel. He has since moved on to Cubs and continues to use his knowledge and experience as well as continuing his love for camping. ONE VERY HAPPY CAMPER - WELL DONE JACK!!













Hotsteps dance group performed in their annual show- this was their first one since lockdown.

Almost every dancer either attends Hatfield Peverel Infant School, Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior or

are ex-pupils of St Andrew's!

I was bought a ticket and thoroughly enjoyed seeing so many of our pupils shining very brightly on the stage at Boswell's School theatre.

Well done to everyone who took part!



Chloe's family have sent this in- sharing news about Chloe's out of school theatre successes. Chloe (in year 6) has been performing in a production of 'Made in Dagenham' at the Brentwood Theatre. Wednesday night was the first performance in front of an audience and she was amazing. She loved every second of it, as did the audience and we are so proud of her. Well done Chloe!





Orla-Mae has been awarded a 'wow' trophy from her swimming club 'Witham Dolphins', The award was given for 'outstanding 50m freestyle in club championships with an excellent time'. We are very proud of the commitment, effort and perseverance she has given even with a few minor set backs Orla-Mae has proven that with hard work and dedication you can achieve things which may at first seem impossible or even daunting.

Well done Orla-Mae!!



Here is Evie wearing the medal she won (second place) recently at an East Region Artistic Swimming Competition (figures) that took place in Stevenage. She was competing against lots of other Artistic swimmers and did really well to come second in her first ever competition. Artistic Swimming is sometimes referred to as Synchronised Swimming

Really well done Evie!!

#### NEW SUMMER TERM 2022 MENUS Week 1 - week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> April

Thank you for helping to support our school by choosing a school meal for your child/ren. Meals are £2.30 daily and can be ordered by your child in class during registration each morning. Our preferred payment method is via Pay360 Education Payments – please contact the office if you have yet to register for this.

Week One Menu 18 <sup>th</sup> April, 9 <sup>th</sup> May, 6 <sup>th</sup> June, 27 <sup>th</sup> June, 18 <sup>th</sup> July		SUMMER 2022 - LUNCH MENU Hatfield Pexerel St. Andrew's Junior School			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v)	Pasta Bolognaise	All Day Breakfast (Chipolata, Bacon and Scrambled Egg)	Roast Gammon	Fish Fillet	
<u>Or</u> Jacket Potato with Tuna & Sweetcorn Homemade Coleslaw Potato Wedges Chocolate Cake and Sauce	<u>Or</u> Pasta Neapolitan (v) Homemade Garlic Bread Broccoli Healthy Fruit Day	<u>Or</u> All Day Breakfast (Meat Free Sausage and Scrambled Egg) (v) Hash Browns Baked Beans Mushrooms Tomatoes Pancakes/Sauce	<u>Or</u> Garlic & Herb Roast Fillet (v) Roast Potatoes Carrots Broccoli Yorkshire Pudding Gravy Healthy Fruit Day	<u>Or</u> Crispy Dippers (v) Chips Peas & Sweetcorn Strawberry Ice Cream	

Thank you for supporting us by having a school meal. Please be assured for your peace of mind - all allergens are catered for.

Please note: we will be serving Pasta & Meatballs on the first day back -Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April Winner of the reading award (one entry for every 20 times they have read at home goes to : Jack in Apple Base

#### Summer Term 2022 - dates for your diary:-

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April: bank holiday Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April: return to school Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May: bank holiday Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May: class photos Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May: SATS week (Year 6) Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: half term Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June: inset day Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June: Hilltop residential trip (Year 6) Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June: Maltings & NRA Induction Day 1 (Year 6) Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June: Maltings & NRA Induction Day 2 (Year 6) Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June: GBHS Year 5 visit Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July: inset day Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July: last day of term

FOOTBALL CLUBS: Year 3/4 and 5/6 Football Clubs will return on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April / Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April

### Deadline for replies and payments:-

Year Group	Trip or Event	Deadline for response
All Years	Guitar Lessons Letters home with children Outstanding dinner money balances and any Spring Term football club payments	Summer Term payment due by Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April (directly to Mr James) Due now please
Year 3		
Year 4		
Year 5		
Year 6	Hilltop Residential	Full payment deadline Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> April
Year 6	Secondary School Google Form <u>https://forms.gle/kg2F2</u> <u>cvB8v8TCZee8</u>	ASAP
Year 6	Leaver's Hoodies https://www.leavershood ies.com/st-andrews- hatfield-peverel-junior- school-2022-leavers	Deadline for orders:- Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> April

# KIDS IN THE WILD

### IS YOUR CHILD 9-11 YEARS OLD?

DO YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO HAVE THE ULTIMATE SUMMERTIME ADVENTURE? ARE YOU FED UP WITH SEEING THEM INSIDE ON SCREENS? DO YOU THINK THEY WOULD BENEFIT FROM TIME SPENT IN THE WILDERNESS?

Channel 4 and the producers of *Junior Bake Off* are making a brand-new series and are looking for children aged 9-11 to spend two weeks camping in nature this summer.

By encouraging independence outdoors, we will explore the relationships and skills children develop when put to the test.



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