



ANDREWS' ENDOWED WEEKLY

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18th February 2022

This half term has flown by. We are also at the half-way point of this academic year. I hope you found the Parents' Evening meetings informative about where your child is in their learning and how we can work together to support your child. They are essential in our partnership to help our children achieve their potential.

We have made good progress linked to our School Improvement Plan priorities. With our reading target, we have started our new Phonics Scheme and the children are taking fully decodable books home. I have observed some of the different phonics sessions, which has allowed me to see the structure of the different layers of phonics being taught and to also practise the pure sounds myself. We will be holding a Phonics Workshop for our Key Stage 1 parents after half term. Mrs Pooley has also spent time listening to readers to ensure their books fully match to the phonics phase they are on. Our Key Stage 2 children are also having focused discussion sessions based around their inference and vocabulary development from the rich texts they read. We are encouraging our children to read books that are appropriate for their age.

After half term, we would like to reintroduce bringing PE kits in to school. This will allow classes to have greater flexibility of when they have their PE sessions. Children should bring their named PE kit in a small bag (drawstring bag would be an ideal size) and also have their uniform clearly labelled with their name. We also hope this will allow our Key Stage 1 children to practice their self-care skills as well. The half term would be a great opportunity to make sure your child has the correct school PE kit. Please could you make sure you have the correct colours and no logos (apart from the school logo on the jumpers/t-shirts).

Black shorts	Black jogging bottoms (colder weather)	House colour T-shirt	Andrews' Endowed Jumper	Trainers
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On the Monday 28th February we have an INSET day so the children will not be back to school until the 1st March.

Headteacher Recruitment—A letter from our Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware we are currently advertising for a new Headteacher for Andrews' Endowed Church of England Primary School. We will be looking to hold interviews on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th April 2022, and will inform you of the outcome of the process as soon as possible after this date.

During this period of time, Mrs Gundry continues in the role of acting Headteacher and Mrs Ayres Consultant Headteacher until the end of the Summer Term to ensure consistency of Leadership for our school.

Shirley Nellthorpe
Chair of Governors

High Aspirations, Moral Strength, Spiritual Depth

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Clubs

After half term we will be starting our clubs in the second week. Further information will be sent out after half term. We are also hoping to restart Pompey football club again. This will only be for Key Stage 2. We are also waiting to hear whether Planet Education will be able to offer an after school sports club for our Key Stage 1 children. Again further information will be sent out as soon as we receive confirmation.



Headteacher's Awards

Acorns	Audrey—Positive learning attitude and showing respect to everyone.	Nimrit—Improvement in her writing and for being a brilliant reader.
Year 1	Charlie—Great participation in class discussions.	Elsa—Always challenging herself in her learning.
Year 2	Dexter—Using his French throughout the week.	Aminah—Showing great focus in her work.
Year 3	Roxy—High aspirations showing fantastic improvement in spelling.	Willow—High aspirations showing fantastic improvement in reading.
Year 4	Hannah—For her fantastic coordination in dance.	Alys—For great teamwork during cooking.
Year 5	Jessica—Incredible two colour printing in art.	Making connections in Maths.
Year 6	Lottie Ma—For a fantastic independent poem written about packing if she were a refugee.	Vera—For a fantastic independent poem written about packing if she were a refugee.

Birthday Book

We are continuing our “Birthday Book Scheme” this term so the children can celebrate their birthday by selecting a book for a donation that you would like to make (50p, £1 or £2.50). This has been an extremely successful scheme in the past. We have a selection of wonderful titles, something for everyone at affordable prices. All you need to do is complete the slip at the bottom of the letter sent out at the start of this term with the donation you would like to make (50p, £1 or £2.50) and pop it into an envelope ensuring you mark it clearly ‘Birthday Book’ along with your child’s name, class and amount enclosed. Please call the office if you would like another copy. Your child should then give this to their class teacher by Wednesday latest the week before their birthday. Your child will then get the opportunity to select a book of their choice with Mrs Gundry and put a sticker with their name on the inside cover of the book.

At the next Celebration Worship (virtual at the moment), your child will get the chance to show the school which book they have selected. They will be able to take the book home so they can read it with you and then return it to the school library so everyone will get a chance to read it.

We hope you will join this initiative and help us increase our stock of books in the library.



Family Talking Point

The children have enjoyed worships from different teachers this week. They also enjoyed welcoming 'Open the Book' for their Thursday session.

What was the best part of your day?

Number Challenge

What do you know about the number 53? How many different ways can you represent this number?

53

Wellbeing Tip

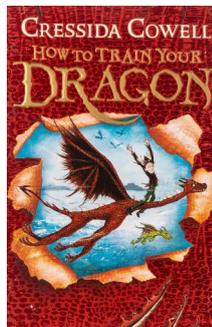
During times of stress or worry, it can be helpful to draw upon healthy coping strategies to distract and re-ground ourselves. To find out what works best for you, start by experimenting with different activities you enjoy and see if they have any positive effects on your wellbeing. Here are some examples: going for a walk on your own, engaging in arts/crafts activities, practicing mindfulness, doing some exercise, listening to music or even having a rest or a relaxing bath. According to research, self-care activities, keep us healthy, reduce stress and help to prevent burnout.

COPING SKILLS



Reading Corner

Mrs Pooley recommends reading 'How to Train Your Dragon' – Cressida Cowell. It's been Year 3's class story and very popular. The story of an unlikely hero. Well drawn characters, and much better than the movie – very funny.



What are you reading?

Vocabulary Ninja

'Words empower children to make sense of the world around them'

KS1

Save

Unlock

Crack

Hang

Bury

KS2

Gingerly

Fond

Cherish

Chaos

Snare



Parent Voice Group

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During our first Parent Voice Group, the parent representatives shared thoughts based around the positives and the areas of development for the School. I wanted to share some of the points raised and aspects that we will be working to develop further in the future:

To refine the behaviour strategy that we have in place ensuring that the children understand the reasons why they have been moved up the behaviour rainbow;

To share guidance on how parents can develop conversations with their children about their learning each day;

To give children opportunities to fully understand what outstanding learning and outstanding behaviour is;

To develop further opportunities to communicate to staff members and to have more frequent insights into how their child is doing at school;

To provide opportunities of allowing parents to come in and see their child's classroom and have a greater visibility to the children's learning;

To explore how the external environment can be used to communicate the children's learning.



What parents see as a strength to the school:

Maths Video provided by Mrs Poulton
Forest Schools

Lovely staff where responsibilities are shared
School wide interactions with different year groups

Mixing of children to create a community

Year 6 buddies system

Positive and supportive office staff

Welcome to our New Parent Representatives:

Mr James will be our second Year 6 parent representative.

Ms Banks will be our first SEN parent representative.

We still have spaces for Parent representatives in Year 3, Year 4 and a SEN parent representative.

This week we have been working with the children to think about what 'over and above' is and what this would look like at different points around the school.

To give children opportunities to fully understand what outstanding learning and outstanding behaviour is:

Over and above means to go above expectations.

To extend your limits.

To participate in things you don't really want to do.

Being brave with learning.

Being kind to people all the time.

Trying your best.

Keep going even if you're stuck by using the strategies that are already known.

Participating in class.

Showing that I value other people's ideas and the learning that is shared through focused listening.

Responding to feedback so I can grow as a learner.

Our Favourite Learning

Our favourite learning this week:

Acorns— Exploring the dinosaur swamp with gooey slime.

Year 1— Writing African Travel Diaries.

Year 2— Music Making animal noises to create sounds that change pitch.

Year 3— Making plasticine dragons.

Year 4— Basketball skills at Eggar's.

Year 5— Rainforest Dance and reading buddies.

Year 6— PSHE - how laws are made.

Dates:

February and March 2022

28.2.22 INSET Day

Our incubators arrive.

1.3.22 Club lists to be sent out.

Rearranged date:
Acorns and Year 6 Heights and Weights

2.3.22 Year 6 SATs Information Evening

3.3.22 World Book Day— Dress up in your favourite book character

4.3.22 World Book Day Writing Competition Deadline

7.3.22 Clubs start

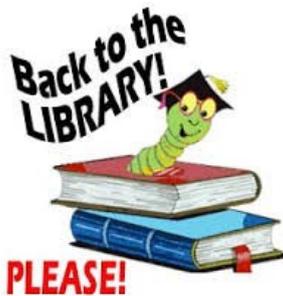
9.3.22 Mill Cottage Farm Visit

Phonics Workshop led by KS1 Staff



Book Amnesty

Please could you check at home for any of our School books and return them back to the school if they are not being used. We would like to return our old stock to Hampshire libraries so we can have some current books for our children.



World Book Day

Just a reminder that we would love children to dress up as their favourite book character on 3.3.22 for world Book Day. Please don't spend any money on buying a costume, instead maybe you could rise to the challenge of using clothes and accessories that already at home. We look forward to seeing the children and guessing the character.

There are some ideas at the following website:

<https://www.madeformums.com/toddler-and-preschool/last-minute-easy-world-book-day-costumes/>

Autumn Term 2021

2nd September – 22nd October

Half Term - 25th October – 29th October

(INSET Day – 22nd October)

1st November – 17th December

Spring Term 2022

4th January – 18th February

Half Term 21st February – 25th February

28th February – 8th April

(INSET Day – 28th February)

Easter Holidays 11th - April 22nd April

Summer Term 2022

25th April – 27th May

(Bank Holiday: 2nd May)

Half Term – 30th May – 3rd June

6th June – 21st July*

(INSET Day – 6th June)

* NB change of date due to the extra bank holiday

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Respect

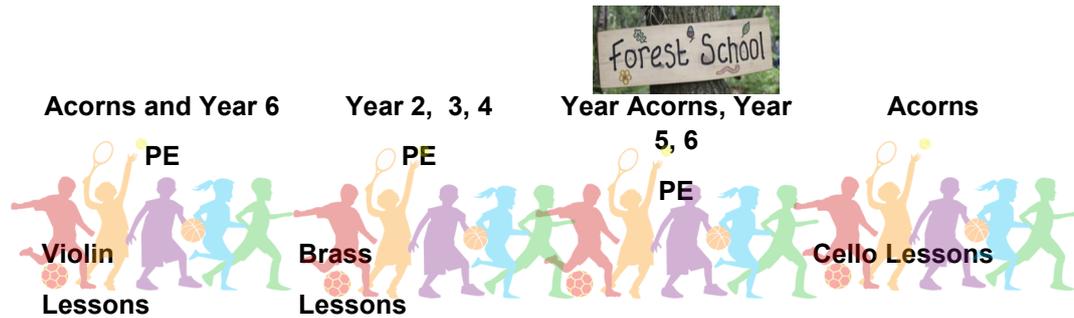
Courage

Love

Bulletin Board

Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
28th	1st	2nd	3rd	18th
INSET day			Forest Schools for Year 1 and Year 2	



Reminders

Spring Term 2022 School Lunches

The cost for school lunches for the second half of the Spring Term is £72.50 (29 lunches) or £12.50 per week. Although you can pay on a daily basis our preferred payment would be on a weekly basis or paying a half term in advance. If your child is ill or decide they don't want a lunch the credit would be carried over to the following week. All payments should be made via SCOPAY. Please ensure that any outstanding payments for lunches are made before the start of next term – thank you.

Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs

Both clubs will restart on Tuesday 1st March. Just a reminder that all payments should be made half termly in advance so payment for next half term is due no later than Tuesday 1st March. If you pay using Vouchers or Tax Free Child Care payments please ensure that these have been requested to cover sessions up to Friday 8th April and advise us the date requested and the amount via school support email – thank you. (Please note that due to school closure your SCOPAY account will not be updated with the sessions for next half term but payment can still be made if you know the sessions your child is going to be having – thank you).

Music Lessons

Lessons will restart week commencing Monday 28th February but as Monday is an INSET day Woodwind and Guitar will restart the following week.

Masks

Thank you very much for following the guidance of wearing masks in the school grounds. After the half term we will be following guidance from the Government. We will respect your decision whether you would like to wear a mask or not.

Late Arrivals

We will be continuing to monitor children who arrive late next half term. The gates will close at 8:55 in order for the essential learning to begin at 9:00.