

**Andrews' Endowed
Church of England Primary School
Newsletter**

Spring Term

[Weekly Timetable on P2] w/e 29th March 2019

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Church Service

This year's Easter service will be at 9.30 am on **Friday 5th April** at the Church. Volunteers to help walk to church would be very welcome - we'll be setting off from the playground at around 9.10 am. Unfortunately, due to the lack of pavements along the route, we aren't able to accommodate helpers walking with buggies/toddlers.

Chicks and Duckling News

The chicks (Y2) and duckling (Y5) are ready for afterschool visitors from Monday, so if you want to pop in with your child after school, please do. As ever, we ask that you only visit when there is a member of staff in the room, that all our visitors look but don't touch, and that visitors don't overcrowd the area. The hatchlings will be returning to the farm on Friday.

Illustrators and Authors To Visit Andrews' Endowed!

As part of our reading focus, we are looking forward to welcoming two special visitors to school in the next few weeks. On the afternoon of **Friday 5th April** we are very excited to have secured a visit from Martin Brown, the illustrator of the Horrible Histories books.

Martin will give a talk to the children from Y2 – Y6 about his most recent series, Lesser Spotted Animals. Martin's publicist tells us that he writes and illustrates these books *"about the wonderfully wow wildlife we never get to see. A timely publication in light of the drive to eliminate the use of palm oil and single-use plastic. Discover more brilliant beasts you never knew you needed to know about from the alai argarli to the yellow-bellied glider and everything in between."*

Hampshire Schools were invited to bid for a visit from Martin, so I wrote to tell his publicist about how passionate our Year 5 children are about saving the rainforest and how they have written to companies about the damage caused by the use of unsustainable palm oil. She thought our children sounded like the sort of people he would like to meet!

After Easter, the author Stewart Foster will be visiting to talk to the children in KS2 about being an author. Stewart will share with the children in Y5 and Y6 his books, 'The Bubble Boy' and 'All the Things that Could Go Wrong'. Y5 and Y6 will then take part in writing workshops with Stewart.

At both visits, there will be opportunities for the children to buy a book and have it signed by our visitors. **Details are being sent home separately.**

Children's Easter Cupcake Competition

Don't forget on **Tuesday 2nd April** the PTFA are holding a Children's Easter 'Cupcake' Competition. (Individual cakes not large ones please and 6 cupcakes only) cakes to be brought into school on the day up until 2pm. Cake containers to be clearly labelled with your child's name and year. Cakes will be available to buy from 3.15pm. If you are coming to buy cakes, please help us by keeping your children with you, and following the directions around the hall – it proved very popular last year and for everyone's sake we want to ensure that the sale is as orderly as possible!

'Fund Raisin' Challenge – funding books for book corners in each class room

Don't forget to return your filled boxes by **Wednesday 3rd April**. There will be an award for the class that collectively raises the most money.

Acorns Easter Activities – Wednesday 3rd April

Acorns will be having an afternoon of Easter Activities – all Acorns parents are welcome from 2.15 – 3.15 pm.

Headteacher's Awards

Class		
Year 1	Oliver C: For fantastic reading at home and in school.	Mikey R: For super comprehension skills during guided reading.
Year 2	Year 2 awards will be back next week	
Year 3	Ryan V: For working hard to join his handwriting and writing in English.	James O: For English – super use of success criteria and brilliant work on equivalent fractions.
Year 4	Lillie S: For a great improvement in learning attitude in English.	Noah W: For a sustained positive learning attitude.
Year 5	Josh C: For fantastic writing.	Daisy S: For being brave in maths learning.
Year 6	Scarlett W: For showing a real increase in writing stamina.	Lucy W: For always completing her work with the depth she

End of Term

As we are in the last week of Spring Term please can you ensure that **all** payments for lunches, Breakfast and After School Club and trips are paid either via SCOPAY or cash/cheque to office by latest **Wednesday 3rd April** to include any lunches or sessions at Breakfast and After School taken up to end of term. A reminder that all school dinners, Breakfast and Afterschool Club sessions **must be paid in advance or on the day that the dinner or session is taken** – thank you. Also please ensure any SCOPAY on-line payments for trips that have now happened are paid by this deadline as well – thank you.

Book News

We are excited to be beginning a big focus on our reading areas in the classrooms. Thanks to the generosity of our PTFA, each class will shortly be receiving a package of new books, chosen for us by specialists in children's literature. We will need some help when the books arrive, as each set will need covering in sticky backed plastic to help them last a long time. This is a job that can be done at home, so if you think you can spare a couple of hours, please let the office know. Thank you to those who have already volunteered.

Music Lessons

Please watch out after Easter for details about music lessons for the Academic Year 2019 – 2020 as we will be running our usual taster sessions for any children in Y3-Y6 (including Y2 who will be moving up to Y3) who would like to take up an instrument.

Please note there will be no lessons next week as all the teachers will be taking their PPA day. Lessons will restart immediately after the Easter Holidays.

Medication/Inhalers

If your child has had any medication held in the school office over the Spring Term that is no longer required please can you pop into the office to collect it before the end of term. Please can **all** inhalers be collected on **Friday 5th April** at the end of the day so they can be cleaned and returned on **Tuesday 23rd April** – thank you.

Easter Lunch

We are having an Easter Celebration lunch on Thursday which will be: Roast Chicken served with dry roast potatoes and vegetables or Tomato and vegetable pasta with garlic finger followed by Easter biscuits and seasonal fruit wedges. Jacket potatoes will still be available for KS2. If your child would like to have the Easter Lunch they can make their selection in the usual way at registration.

Messages from the PTFA - Forthcoming Events

Save the Date!

The Summer Fair will take place on **Saturday 22nd June** – 11 am to 2 pm. Details to follow nearer the time.

Easter Egg Competition

There is going to be an Easter Egg Design Competition running over the Easter Break. Again, it will be split between KS1 and KS2. Templates will be given out in books bags next week and it will cost £1 per entry.

Cool Milk Scheme

Don't forget if you would like your child to receive milk in school your child must be registered with Cool Milk. You can apply on line at www.coolmilk.com or by paper application (copies held in the school office). You must register your child by **Tuesday 16th April 5pm** to start receiving milk the first week back after Easter. If you have any questions regarding this you can contact Cool Milk directly on **0844 854 2913**. If your child is in Acorns and under 5 they will receive milk FREE but you must ensure that your child is registered **before** their 5th birthday if you wish your child to continue with milk.

HMS Staff Showcase

Coming up in April is a unique opportunity to see our music teachers from HMS performing live on stage! Why not go along on **Thursday 4th April** to see the teachers playing some great music in a variety of ensembles. This year there will also be a special appearance from the Hampshire County Youth Show Choir who will be performing a set of popular show tunes. Tickets are available from the Anvil Box Office on 01256 844244.

'Grow Alton'

ALFI – Alton Local Food Initiative – are running their annual event at The Assembly Rooms on **Saturday 30th March – 11 am to 3 pm**. There will be children's activities, tips and advice, tool sharpening, seed swaps, second hand tools and books and much. For more information visit: info@growalton.org.uk

Mrs Maria Lloyd

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SCHOOL WEEKLY TIMETABLE
This Week's Collective Worship Theme:

	Monday 1st	Tuesday 2nd	Wednesday 3rd	Thursday 4th	Friday 5th
Morning 8.55 –12.00					
Collective Worship	Whole School Collective Worship 10.20 am	Celebration Worship 10.15 am	Whole School Collective Worship 9.05 am	9.05 Collective Worship (Parish)	
Lunchtime 12.00– 1/1.15pm	KS2 Reporters Club Y3-Y6	Card Club Y1/Y2 Gardening Club Y4-Y6	Board Games Y2 Chess Club Y3-Y6	Easter Lunch  “Make A Difference Club” Y1-Y6 Logic Puzzles Y3-Y6 Handbells Y3/Y4	
Afternoon 1 / 1.15 - 3.30		PTFA Cupcake Baking Competition and Cake Sale 			
After School Activities		Alton Cross Country Amery Hill 4 – 5 pm 4 of 4		Pompey Football Y1-Y6 3.30 – 4.30 pm 6 of 6 Drama Club Y3-Y6 3.30 – 4.20 pm	CM Sports YR-Y6 3.30 – 4.30 pm 6 of 6
Evening Activities					

Spring Term 2019

7th January – 15th February
Half Term – 18th February – 22nd February
 26th February – 5th April
 (NB: INSET DAY – 25th February)
Easter Holiday – 8th April – 22nd April

Summer Term 2019

23rd April – 24th May
Half Term – 27th May – 31st May
 3rd June – 23rd July
 (NB: INSET DAY – 3rd June)

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March	
Fri 29 th	CM Sports Tournament – Y5&Y6 Basket Ball – Amery Hill 5 – 6 pm 4 of 4
April	
Tues 2 nd	Easter Cup Cake Competition and Cake Sale after school
Tues 2 nd	Alton Primary Schools Cross Country – Eggar's School - 4 – 5 pm 4 of 4
Wed 3 rd	Acorns Easter Activities Afternoon – 2.15 – 3.15 pm
Thurs 4 th	Easter Lunch
Fri 5 th	Easter Service
Fri 5 th	Y2 – Y6 – Author Visit (Martin Brown)
Tues 23 rd	<i>Summer Term begins</i>
Tues 23 rd	Y2- Y6 – Author Visit (Stewart Foster)
Tues 30 th	Year 4 Swimming Lessons start
June	
Wed 5 th	Class Photos
Wed 19 th	Year 6 Leavers Service at Winchester Cathedral
Thurs 20 th	Year 3 to Fishbourne
Sat 22 nd	PTFA Summer Fair 11 am – 2 pm
Wed 26 th	Y5&Y6 Summer Production – 6 pm – finish time tbc
Thurs 27 th	Y5&Y6 Summer Production – 6 pm – finish time tbc
Fri 28 th	Holybourne Pre-School Teddy Bear's Picnic – 9 – 11 am
July	
Thurs 18 th	Year 6 Leavers Party (after school) – save the date!
Mon 22 nd	Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 1.30 for 145 pm start