St Andrew's Newsletter 2

Autumn 2025

Warm Clothing

The weather is once again starting to turn damp and cold. Please can we remind all parents and carers to send their children with coats and as the term progresses; gloves and hats would not go amiss. All should be labelled clearly with your child's name because as we all know, things can get mislaid.

Driveway Gates

Many thanks for your help with not entering the main driveway gates at the start and end of the school day. The potential for an accident where a pedestrian and a vehicle are in close proximity is something that we would like to avoid at all costs.

Please remember, there are two safe pedestrian access routes either by the bike shed or from the cricket field. When the barrier is down these provide two safe access routes onto the playground and are free of vehicular traffic.

Parents Evening

A reminder that parents evening appointments will be held on the following dates. Appointments are bookable via Parentmail.

Wednesday 12 November - all classes apart from EJ

Tuesday 25 November - classes EJ & 2CR

Wednesday 26 November - all classes apart from 2CR

Mr Peacock has kindly offered to open the Second-Hand Uniform and Book Bank in the hall whilst Parents Evening is running on Wednesday 12 November.

Children in Need – wear something yellow

We will be supporting Children in Need Day. On Friday 14 November 2025 children are invited to wear something yellow for Pudsey with their school uniform. It could be a yellow top, a yellow hair accessory or even yellow socks! If your child has a PE lesson on this day, please ensure that it is PE appropriate. It is not a non-uniform day, and the emphasis is for the children to wear something yellow with their school uniform. Children can wear Children in Need / Pudsey t-shirts or sweatshirts. We are asking for a suggested donation of £1 towards Children in Need.

Wrates Individual/Sibling Photograph Day

Wrates will be in school on the morning of Thursday 20 November to take individual and sibling photos. If you require a sibling photo, please complete the request form, this was sent to you earlier this month via Parentmail. Photograph day requires a great deal of organisation and co-ordination of children throughout the school. Therefore, we will only take a sibling photo where a permission form has been completed, to flag to us that one is required.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=SBM6AENPn0yEu3JCo9UnqblH17QWhCNHpBpRKfUuqvNUQVhBRElUUTE0UTdQMEgwMFY5UklPOFJGNiQlQCN0PWcu

If your child is in our nursery class, is not booked in to nursery on Thursday 20 November, but you would like a photo taking, please bring him/her to the school office at 8:50am. Your child can have his/her photo taken at the same time as the rest of the nursery class and then can be taken home.

St. Andrew's Day Service

Our St. Andrew's Day service will be held at St. Peter's Church on Thursday 27 November. Children from years Reception – Y6 should be dropped off at the Church for 8:50am. Nursery have decided not to attend on this occasion as little legs may struggle with the walk back. Our service will begin at 9am. If your child attends Breakfast Club or travels via County Council transport each day, staff will walk your child from St. Andrew's to the Church.

Christingle Service

St. Peter's Church will be holding a Christingle Service on Monday 1 December at 6:00pm. St. Andrew's Choir will be singing. All our families are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible there.

Farm Kitchen Christmas Lunch, Christmas Jumper Day

As always, The Farm Kitchen will be offering a Christmas lunch on Thursday 11 December. If your child would like a Christmas lunch, please log in to your Farm Kitchen account and place your order by Tuesday 2 December at 3pm. Alternatively parents/carers are welcome to send in a Christmas themed lunch box for their child.

Please note that we will also be taking part in 'Christmas Jumper Day' on this date. Suggested £1 donations to Save the Children.

Christmas Productions

The EYFS & KS1 Nativity will be held on Tuesday 9 December at 2:00pm and 5:30pm at St. Peter's Church.

The KS2 Christmas Sing-a-Long will be held Thursday 11 December at 9:30am and Friday 12 December at 9:30am & 1:45pm at school.

Tickets will be available to request via Parentmail shortly.

Christmas Fayre

Our school Christmas Fayre will then be held in the hall on Wednesday 17 December from 3:30 – 4:30pm. As usual, each class will have their own stall selling items made by the children.

Class Web Pages

By the end of the first week of each term, each class will post information on their class pages regarding the work the children will be studying over the ensuing weeks. This will include 'knowledge organisers' for each subject, which are shared in class with the children and referred to regularly. Please feel free to discuss these with your child and if there is something that you may be able to share (maybe a personal interest or hobby) then please contact your child's classteacher.

https://www.standrews-woodhallspa.org.uk/class-pages/

Medicines in School

Just a reminder that any medicines should be handed in to the school office along with a completed permission form. These forms can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website:

https://www.standrews-woodhallspa.org.uk/medicines-in-school/

Illness in School

At this time of year, bugs and viruses are naturally more prevalent. If your child suffers from vomiting or diarrhoea, then he/she will need to remain absent from school for 48 hours after his/her last episode. Please ensure you contact the school office every morning to report your child's absence. This can be done by leaving a message on the answer machine or via the illness reporting section on the Parentmail app.

Diary of Events, Term 2

A reminder on the following page of our current 'Proposed Diary of Events', which was sent out at the end of last term.

	Wednesday	12	Parents Evening
	Friday	14	Children in Need
	Monday	17	1DW Reading Café 3:00pm
	Thursday	20	Wrates Individual Photograph morning – please ensure you have completed our Annual Permission Form for your child to be included (this was sent out in September)
	Friday	21	£57.50 Aylmerton instalment due for payment via KCHQ
	Monday	24	EJ Reading Café 3:00pm
	Tuesday	25	Flu Mop Up Clinic – School Nursing Team
	Tuesday	25	Parents Evening 2CR only
	Wednesday	26	Parents Evening (not 2CR)
	Thursday	27	St. Andrew's Service at St. Peter's Church
December	Monday	1	RLR Reading Café 3:00pm
			Christingle Service at St. Peter's Church 6:00pm
	Wednesday	3	Choir to Lincoln Cathedral for Carol Concert (Booking TBC by Cathedral)
	Thursday	4	Rec & KS1 visit Woodhall Spa Library
	Monday	8	Nursery Reading Café 3:00pm
			Rec, Y1 & Y2 Nativity dress rehearsal at St. Peter's Church (Nursery to rehearse at school)
	Tuesday	9	EYFS & KS1 Nativity at St. Peter's Church 2:00pm – children will be taken to church by St. Andrew's staff (nursery children will travel by taxi)
			EYFS & KS1 Nativity at St. Peter's Church 5:30pm
	Wednesday	10	Rocksteady Music Christmas Concert 1:30 – 4:00pm
	Thursday	11	Christmas Jumper Day – donations to Save the Children
			KS2 Christmas Sing-a-long 9:30am
			Farm Kitchen Christmas Lunch – bookable via your Farm Kitchen account
	Friday	12	KS2 Christmas Sing-a-long 9:30am
			KS2 Christmas Sing-a-long 1:45pm
	Wednesday	17	Christmas Fayre
	Thursday	18	KS2 Christmas film morning
	Friday	**19**	**LAST DAY OF TERM 2**
			EYFS & KS1 Christmas film morning
January	**Monday**	**5**	**FIRST DAY OF TERM 3**