



St. Andrew's Primary School

Newsletter September 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new school year at St. Andrew's! As I've said on many occasions (and I'll keep saying it!) - the partnership we have with you will have a massive impact on your children's learning and progress. Just by being interested in what's happening in school is a great start. To help with this we have informal '**meet the teacher**' **meetings** for all parents to attend next week. The meetings will only be around 20 minutes in length, you'll get a chance for your child to show you their new classroom and hear the main headlines on what they'll be learning this term. The meetings will be at 2.45pm and you'll have the chance to take children home straight after it's finished. All meetings will be in the school hall—please come through the school office. **Year 5 and 6 parents meeting is on Tuesday (11th) at 2.45pm, Year 3+4 on Wednesday (12th) at 2.45pm and Year 1+2 on Thursday (13th) at 2.45pm.**

As always we have this term's dates on the back of this letter, there are still more to be added that we will supply later on in the term.

If you would like to be a **FOSTA committee member** the elections are coming up on the 26th of September. The position of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer are all available for election. Please e-mail the office with your name, the position you're interested in by Tuesday 25th of September and I'll get back to you with more details:

office@standrewsprimary.com

As most parents know, being smart for school and having the **correct uniform** has a direct influence on their behaviour and learning. Please make sure your child has the correct uniform—we have a number of children who don't have ties at the moment for example.

Our new **Values Passports** will be coming home with your child on Monday—you are so good at supporting this important whole school initiative—please keep this up this year! This term's **clubs letter** will be coming home on Friday. Lastly, don't forget, if your child chose to do our 'Summer Holiday Learning Challenge' they need to be in next Thursday. All children who entered will be invited to a special school picnic including a raffle to find out which families have won a meal for 4 at a local restaurant!

I look forward to seeing you all at your 'meet the teacher' meetings next week.

Ben Arnell (headteacher)

SCHOOL APP

We no longer send out text messages to parents with messages and reminders. We communicate everything via our school App. **It's free** and easy to download. Simply go to your APP store on your phone and search for 'St. Andrew's' and you should find us.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Please remember to book your child's meal via parentpay before 9am each day. If you need any help with this, please speak to the school office.

LOVE is our value of the month. Here are some of the ways we are suggesting to children that they can show LOVE at home to write in their values passport:

- Show **love** by giving a family member a kiss or a cuddle - especially if you don't usually
- Give your parents a kiss or a hug when they pick or drop you off at the school gate.
- Show **love** by helping someone with something you don't like doing
- Make a card for someone who you know is having a tough time.
- Live **Our Values Everyday**

The '**philosophical question**' we would like you to discuss at home this month is:

'Can you show love to someone you don't know well?'

We have a new 'parent talk' question for your children to ask you...this month's question is 'When do you find it hard to show love?'

