

# St. Andrew's Newsletter

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**Happy Birthday to Millie Beavis, Kyle Ford, Amber Robbins, Elliott Sparkes,  
Lucy Brazier and Thomas Brazier.**

*We welcome back all our pupils and especially welcome all the new Reception pupils who are: Erin Belton, Miriam Bursell, Helena Clarke, Fardeen Garrib, Kitty Hempsted, Freddie Honeywood, Rhys Laver, Poppy Parker, Isabel Playle, Matilda Robinson-Miller, Elise Rogers, Brianna Rudgewick, Joshua Thake, Olivia Waddup and Gene Young. We wish them a happy and successful time, learning and enjoying at St. Andrew's.*

## **CARETAKER WANTED – Four hours a day (20 hours per week)**

St. Andrew's is looking for a Caretaker to start work as soon as possible. If you are interested, or know someone that is, and would like more information, please contact the School Office for a job description, job specification and any other further details

A big thank you to everyone who donated either Tesco or Sainsbury vouchers. We have been lucky enough to receive three digital cameras, a water butt, cooking aprons and lots of PE equipment including armbands, netballs and items for the lunch time zoning area.

**School Dinners may be purchased on a daily basis and are £2.55 per day £12.75 per week (Cheques should be made payable to: Essex County Council).**

### Holiday Requests

Absence for holidays taken during term time will not be authorised. However, an absence form will have to be completed (available from the School Office) if you intend to take your child out of school for holidays or any other reason. Attendance is a critical factor to a productive and successful school career and absence from school causes 'gaps' in children's learning, making it very difficult for a child to 'catch-up'. Together we have to support your children from any unnecessary absence. Thank you.

During the summer holidays, building works took place to the front of the school. We are delighted that the old and decaying outside toilet block has finally been removed and the front of the school resurfaced, with new front gates. A canopy for the Early Years pupils to have 'free flow' indoor/outdoor access for learning has been ordered. This is part of the whole project which includes a 'facelift' to the Early Years playground. A new shed for storage has been erected and landscaping has been carried out to make a wonderful space for our Early Years Class. The library and Constable Class have also been painted and a new carpet has been laid in the library. Finally, a new wooden floor has been laid in the hall which looks very grand and provides a better surface for all our school activities.

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – All after school clubs will start week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> September (Please see attached).**

### Individual Music Tuition

There are a few places available for violin, guitar and piano with Mr. Hayes

15 min lesson x 10 per term                      £60

20 min lesson x 10 per term                      £80

Payment is required at the beginning of the term for these sessions. If you would like a place for your child, please let the School Office know.

**MultiSports (SportsXtra) and Football (SportsXtra) Clubs will commence week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> September – please see flyers.**

We understand that some of you may have experienced some delay in receiving school uniform ordered through the school's website. The company have apparently experienced a changeover in the holidays and have assured us this was the cause of the delay. For the future, please let us know if your ordered uniform does not arrive as promised and we will consider investigating other suppliers. Thank you.

If you have a spare couple of hours once a week to join us to read with children, please let the office know. We can accommodate any day and time during the school week. Thank you.