St Andrew's CE VC Primary School, Cromhall



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Dairy Dates	
Monday 5 th May	Bank holiday
Tuesday 6 th May	KS1 Multi Sports
Thurs 8 th May	VE Day celebrations
Fri 9 th May	Shanty men in school all day
12 th – 16 th May	KS2 SATs week
Friday 23 rd May	Last day of Term 5
Monday 2 nd June	INSET DAY
Sat 7 th June	Cheese & Wine evening. More info to follow
16 th – 20 th June	Year 5 & 6 camp
Thurs 26 th June	Parents' Forum 8.45am & 7pm
July 5 th	Open garden at Mr Parker's in Wickwar. More info to follow
7 th – 11 th July	Sports week
Tues 22 nd July	Last day of Term 6

Baby news

Congratulations to Mr Watkins and his partner Amy who welcomed baby Charlie to the world on the 21st April. Charlie was born at 4am and weighed 8lbs 1oz. All the family are doing well and Mr Watkins reports he is getting some sleep.

Mr Watkins will be return to school on Wednesday 7 May.

Parents' Forum

The next Parents' forum will be on the 26th June at 8.45am and 7pm. The forum will be led by Mr Pike and Mr Parker (Chair of Governors) and all parents/ carers are welcome to attend.

School Uniform

It seems that summer may be here already so please ensure that your child has the appropriate uniform, including a hat & that you have applied sun cream before coming into school.

Also attached is our uniform order list for September.

The deadline for returning your orders to school is <u>Friday 23rd May.</u> Once we have received your order, we will invoice you through Arbor.

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In school this week:

This term we are focusing on the parables of Jesus.

We will be looking at the following stories: Value: Wisdom Theme: The wise and foolish builders Bible quote: Matthew 7: 24 - 27

Value: Wisdom Theme: The Sower Bible Quote: Luke 8: 4 – 15

Value: Joy Theme: The Lost sheep Bible quote: Luke 15: 4 – 6

Values: Hope Theme: The loving father and the prodigal son Bible quote: Luke 15: 11- 24

<u>Music</u>

Last Thursday, Years 3, 4 and 5 took part in an all day composing workshop hosted at school by the London Sinfonietta. The workshop was led by professional musicians, who worked with the children to create ideas that will be performed by a professional group at a concert for the children in July.

Key Stage One have also started their music programme: **Beat Bus!** The project develops musical skills in pulse, rhythm and pitch, using body, voice and tuned percussion and is led by a music specialist from WEMA.

This term, we also have a number of pupils learning clarinet and guitar as part of group tuition.



On Friday 7th May, we will be welcoming the Frampton Shanty Men (a local version of the Fishermen Friends) to the school. The group will working with the children to teach them a shanty or two and some of the history surrounding the songs they will share. Thank you to Mr Parker for helping organising this experience for our children.

<u>Sport</u>

Tag Rugby at St. Andrew's continues to be highly successful with the school playing in a series of competitions, festivals and fixtures against local schools both mixed and girls only. Although a small school, we have been identified as a leading school in promoting girls. Recently the school hosted a festival for other local schools and St. Andrew's was able to field three teams!



In school this week continued:

At the end of the month some of the girls have been selected to represent the school in a tournament to be played at Ashton Gate stadium. I would like to say a big thank you to all the parents who have helped with transport and supporting the children.

We are very fortunate to receive a new sports kit sponsored by Mr and Mrs McAllister and Charfield Chiropractors. On behalf of the children, I would like to thank them for their generosity in supporting sport at our school.

This year sports week will be the week beginning Monday 7th July. We are in the process of putting together an exciting programme for the week. If you have any contacts that potentially could help us during the week, please let Mr Pike know.

Cromhall Community

Tortworth Lake

The lake is open this Sunday, 10am to 6pm if you fancy a stroll and a piece of cake!

Cromhall Flower Show

This year's Flower Show is on Saturday 6th September. The committee have been very active and already the show is looking likely to be a great day out. Please find attached the schedule - why not try and find a few classes to enter?

Guided bluebell walk at Tortworth Arboretum

Monday May 5th 10am & 12.30 https://tortwortharboretum.org/event/bluebell_walk/#tribe-tickets__tickets-form

Tytherington May Day

Monday May 5th 1.30pm Jubilee Field, Tytherington

<u>The Royal Oak</u>

Pledges towards to reopening of the Royal Oak are continuing to come in. The total today stands at £58000. The deadline has been extended to May 16th so you still have time to pledge!

The committee are really keen to make The Royal Oak a family friendly venue which can be used by parents during the day for many activities, including toddler groups, reading club, knit & natter, a café - whatever the community wants. It's therefore so important that families invest and make this the vibrant heart of our community.

Lots of people are working really hard behind the scenes to make this happen but can't do it without the support of the whole community, so please pledge if you can.



