



# St. Andrew's C of E (VA) Primary School

21<sup>st</sup> May 2026



Dear Lord,

Sometimes, it's hard to keep trying when things are tough.  
Please help us never to give up, but always to persevere.  
Please help us to encourage others to keep trying as we all aim for  
different goals in life. Thank you that you never give up on us.

Amen

**Let us not become weary in  
doing good, for at the proper  
time we will reap a harvest, if  
we do not give up'**  
*Galatians 6:9*

## Headteacher Message

*As you know, we have been focusing on our Christian value of perseverance this term – through Bible stories and inspirational or everyday examples of perseverance, children have learned what it means to dig deep and keep trying, even when things are tough. I am thrilled to have seen this value in action across the whole school in the last few weeks and several parents have also seen great examples of perseverance at home (thank you for sharing!). Year 6 had their SATs assessments last week and embraced them with positivity and great maturity; all our half marathon runners completed their challenge, even though one or two wanted to give up part way through; and I have welcomed many determined children to my office to celebrate their individual achievements. We hope that values embraced in childhood will become values for life.*

*After many years of service at St Andrew's, we are all very sad to say goodbye to two highly valued members of the team. Ms Turner has had many roles across the school, supporting children in class, in breakfast club, Kids club, on residential and as a lead first aider. She was creative and knowledgeable and could be relied on to bring something original to the curriculum. Mrs Duboisson worked as a teaching assistant across KS2; renowned for her love of the outdoors and green fingers, she could often be seen trimming the lavender or looking after the fish in our pond. We will miss her great sense of humour! We are grateful for all they have contributed to the school community and wish them the very best for the future.*

*I hope you can enjoy some sunshine next week and will see you back at school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.*

*Miss Lewis*

## Primary School's Challenge at Plymouth Half Marathon

A huge well done to the children who ran their final one mile on the Hoe this weekend in the Primary Schools Challenge - all that training during school lunchtimes paid off! Thank you to Mrs Line, Miss Field, Miss Malein and Mr Line for giving up a lunchtime each week to take the children on a run around the local area and thank you to the other members of staff and all the families who gave their support on Sunday.



## Nutella

Please do not provide your child with nuts in their packed lunches or snacks as we have people with serious nut allergies in school – this includes Nutella. Many thanks for your cooperation.

## Sports Day – No Mobile Phones

We look forward to seeing lots of families supporting their children at Sports Day tomorrow. Reminder that we cannot allow mobile phones to be used in the school on Sports Day as we have several vulnerable children who must not be photographed. The staff will be taking photos throughout the day and we will post them on our school website. Many thanks for your cooperation.

## Plymouth Argyle Football Sessions

A reminder that the next block of 6 football sessions beginning Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, can be paid for online at: -



KS1

<https://www.abler.io/shop/pafc/afterschoolclubs?region=Plymouth&search=st%20andrews&program=Q2x1YlNlcnZpY2U6NTIxMjM=>

KS2

<https://www.abler.io/shop/pafc/afterschoolclubs?region=Plymouth&search=st%20andrews&program=Q2x1YlNlcnZpY2U6NTIxMjc=>

## Uniform Prices

Unfortunately, our suppliers have had to increase the cost of our uniform. They have managed to keep it at the same price for a number of years now, which we appreciate. We are looking at other suppliers to make sure we offer competitive prices.

Reminder – you can buy uniform at the school office or from The Uniform Company who will deliver to your home for a small fee or you can collect it free from school. <https://theuniformco.co.uk/>

New Prices	
Jumpers/cardigans	£20.00
Polo shirt	£9.00
White PE shirts	£7.00
School tie	£4.50
School bookbag	£7.00
Baseball cap	£7.00

We regularly donate second-hand uniform to the Uniform Store at 93 New George Street. The shop is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 10am -1.00pm.

Non-branded navy blue polo shirts or V-neck jumpers/cardigans from local supermarkets or shops can also be worn at school.

## Calendar

Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Sports Day. Last day of term 5.
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	First day of term 6. (Monday is a non-pupil day)
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day
8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 sailing week
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 assembly 9.05am in school hall
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 assembly 9.05am in school hall
15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 residential trip
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 assembly 9.05am in school hall
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 assembly 9.05am in school hall/Class photos
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 3 assembly 9.05am in school hall
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Years 1 and 2 – Plymouth Aquarium visit School disco – details to follow.
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Foundation class assembly 9.05am in school hall
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	School fair - details to follow.
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Celebration assembly at St. Andrew's Church in Royal Parade, 10.00 a.m
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers assembly. Last day of term.

## Plastic Toy Animals Please!

The Foundation class would be very grateful if you were able to donate spare plastic toy animals please! Many thanks in advance of your generosity.



# Cheerleading at the Life Centre



*Indoor Rowing medal winners*