

Have a wonderful weekend. We might not see much sunshine, however enjoy the time together.

Mr Lincoln, Mr Etherton & the school staff team.

I. COMMUNICATION

- Website: please check the website for answers to any queries before contacting the office.
- Emails: use office@stnm.org.uk to contact the school with queries please include your child's class.
- **School Office:** the office will remain closed until further notice. Please refer to the school website for information or email office@stnm.org.uk if you have any queries. YOU MUST NOT ENTER THE SCHOOL FOYER UNLESS YOU HAVE A PRIOR ARRANGEMENT TO DO SO.
- Calendar: term dates, upcoming events etc (can be filtered by year group). Follow the link for instructions on how to use or subscribe to the calendar.
- New dates/events added:
 - → Wednesday 19th May:Y3 Sea Lions Outdoor Music Performance
 - → Wednesday 26th May:Y3 Seals Outdoor Music Performance
- Letters/Emails sent home this week: click on the link for past letters:
 http://www.stnicolasmary.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Letters+Sent+Home&pid=56
 - → Y3: Drusillas Trip (em)



Congratulations to Mr and Mrs MacDonald on the safe arrival of their first child.

Wilbur Kuni MacDonald was born on Friday 7th May, weighing 9lb 4oz!

2. PING - NEW COMMUNICATION SYSTEM: We hope you have had the chance to download the 'School Ping' app (details sent out on Wednesday). This should be a more efficient way of sending out communications and will also keep all your school 'stuff' in one place! There will be a slight overlap with T2P over the next week or so but we hope to be using Ping fully by the end of next week. Do get in touch if you have any problems.

3. WORSHIP & ETHOS

- The latest Awesome Assembly will be uploaded to the school Youtube site soon. Do feel free to look back and watch an old favourite! https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVs 954b4yEOTi5sAhKhGKw/videos
- 4. **SOCIAL DISTANCING AND WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS:** We are currently reviewing the updated government guidance regarding face coverings and how this will apply to our school. We are aware that there is a balance to be struck between perceived relaxing of restrictions and the knowledge that the virus is still active, and that a large proportion of our parents and staff team have not yet been vaccinated. We would rather take a cautious approach with this than go too fast too soon. If we intend to make changes, we will of course let you know. Please remember the school office is still closed and you cannot enter without prior arrangement.

5. **STRANGER DANGER:** With restrictions lifting and more people now going out we wanted to remind you of the different ways we can keep ourselves and our children safe. It is important to reinforce the message to your children about not talking to strangers and, if approached, consider the following actions:

People you do not know (Strangers)

- watch out for cars that are following you
- · never get into a car with a person you do not know
- never approach a person you don't know sitting in a car
- Stay strong, saying no is not wrong
- Never tell a stranger your name or address
- Don't believe what strangers tell you
- Don't accept gifts, treats or sweets from strangers
- · Keep your distance and never go anywhere with someone you don't know
- Trust your feelings if it doesn't feel right, it isn't!

Yell and Tell

- Don't be afraid to say no
- If a stranger makes you feel unsafe, always 'yell and tell'
- Yell 'help' or 'I don't know you' to get someone's attention. Then tell someone you trust what has happened
- Don't let anyone make you feel unsafe
- If you have a phone use it dial 999

Know a Safe Place

- A safe place is a place that has someone you can trust and talk to, such as a school, shop, police station or friend's house.
- If someone does make you feel unsafe, always run to a safe place

More information and links to other helpful sites can be found on the school website: Safeguarding and Welfare

- 6. PTA AGM: Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions this year, the PTA were not able to organise a physical meeting for the PTA AGM in November and, with limited availability for a Virtual meeting via Zoom, we are sharing the Chair's and Treasurer's reports on the PTA page of the school website. Please do contact us if you have any questions about the reports or if you would like to volunteer your time. Please look out for information regarding our next fundraiser. Details coming soon.
- 7. CROSS COUNTRY AT SHOREHAM ACADEMY: On Wednesday, children from Years 5 & 6 took part in a Cross Country competition at Shoreham Academy. The effort everyone put into the race was fantastic and we came second (as a team). A special mention goes out to Sam (Y5) who ran 19 laps, Jack and Elliot (Y6) who both ran 18 laps and Edith who completed 17 laps. Congratulations to you all!
- **8. FOOTBALL CLUBS:** We run after school football clubs for girls in Y3-Y6 and for boys in Y4 and Y6. If your child would like to join one of these clubs please email the school office.

9. HEALTH & SAFETY - CORONAVIRUS - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Symptoms:** if you or members of your household have symptoms of coronavirus the whole household <u>must immediately</u> go into self-isolation and children in the household should not attend school. Please arrange a test(s) for anyone with the symptoms urgently. This will help to ensure that in the case of a positive test result, contacts of the person can self isolate promptly to prevent further spread of infection to the wider community.
- **Getting tested:** https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or call 119. If having a home test, please use the test as soon as it arrives and return it in the post the same day using a priority postbox.
- **Positive test result:** we have a dedicated email address to advise us if you receive a positive test result for your child (or yourself if you have been volunteering in school or if you consider that pupils or school staff have been in close contact with you), which will be monitored over weekends and holidays so that prompt action can be taken: positivetest@stnm.org.uk. Please use this address for this purpose only.



@ Cardinal Newman

School Years 3 - 6
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Wednesday 12th May 2021

RE: Open mornings at St Andrew's CofE High School

Dear parents/carers,

The team here at St Andrew's are delighted to invite you and your family to visit us in this momentous time in the history of our school; the move towards welcoming our first coeducational cohort this September! With this change comes some significant enhancements to our buildings, curriculum and facilities and we would like to share our journey with everyone within our local community.

We are conscious of not impacting further on anyone's curriculum time, and therefore our dedicated teachers have committed to opening our school between 10am and 1pm on Saturday 3rd, 10th and 17th July 2021 in order to meet our community members. Come and meet the team to find out more, and see in person the exciting developments taking place!

The open mornings will offer some taster sessions across different subjects for students across age ranges (arts, PE, science, languages to name a few), the opportunity to tour the school and refreshments for parents who would like to meet and get to know our Senior Leadership Team.

So we ensure the safety of all, and to enable social distancing, places will be limited so we recommend you book in early!

To book your place and give preferences to time slots, please click here. If you experience any issues following this link, please send an email to the address below, where we will send you the link directly in another format.

Please note that these events are based on the current Covid 19 roadmap dates as laid out by the government. Should there be changes to national or local restrictions, these events may then alter. If this is the case, we will communicate any changes with those who have booked a place.

We look forward to meeting you and sharing our exciting journey with the local community.

Yours sincerely,

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