



**St. Andrew's Primary School**  
learning together,  
we reach for the stars

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### **New school building – latest update**

We have had an update from the council on the new key stage two building which, as you will have seen, is taking shape.

It was originally anticipated that the work would be completed by the end of this year. Then earlier this year we were told that this date could be moved forward and the building would be ready in September.

However, some unexpected delays mean that the construction is now due to be completed by the original date so by the end of this year.

In the meantime, the arrangements with the Connect Centre will continue until the end of the autumn term and, in the meantime, we are looking forward to moving back to the St. Andrew's site and into a fantastic new building in January 2025.



The following press release will be sent to the media this afternoon:

#### **St. Andrew's Primary School progress update**

*Work is progressing on the new building for key stage two pupils at St Andrew's Primary School. It will provide an excellent teaching environment where children can thrive and enjoy learning.*

*When planning permission was granted last year, it was anticipated that the construction would be complete by the end of 2024. Earlier this year, it was hoped the opening date would be brought forward with pupils and staff moving back in September. However, due to some unexpected delays, the work is now expected to be completed by the end of this year to open in January 2025.*

*Junior pupils and staff have been relocated in Newport Live's Connect Centre building where learning has continued in a safe and pleasant environment. This arrangement, including free transport, will continue until the end of the autumn term.*

*Younger children have remained on the St Andrew's site as other buildings were unaffected.*

*The key stage two building on the St. Andrew's site in Lliswerry was closed because of significant structural issues, including complex foundation defects, and was demolished last year.*

*Parents have been made aware of the new completion date and will be kept updated over the coming months.*

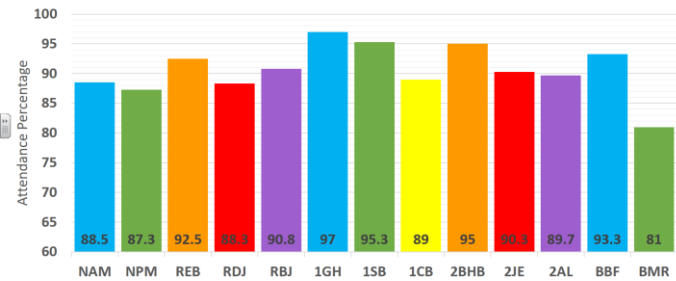
*We would like to thank the head teacher and the staff for creating such a welcoming learning environment in the Connect Centre where the pupils continue to receive a high quality of education.*

## Attendance winners – congratulations!!

The best attendance awards for a class attendance total last week went to:

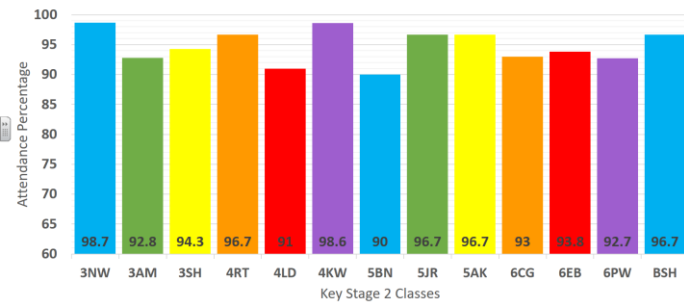
**Class 1GH in Foundation Phase with 97%**  
**Class 3NW in Key Stage 2 with 98.7%**

St. Andrew's Primary School Foundation Phase Attendance  
 Spring Term Attendance – Dates 01.03.2024 – 07.03.2024



Well done to 1GH for winning this week's attendance with 97%

St. Andrew's Primary School Key Stage 2 Attendance  
 Spring Term Attendance – Dates 01.03.2024 – 07.03.2024



Well done to 3NW for winning this week's attendance with 98.7%

Keep up the good work!

Well done to all the classes who managed to beat our school and the Welsh Assembly Government's target of 95%.

**Thank you for your continuing support regarding the reminders about attendance and punctuality; it is very much appreciated.**

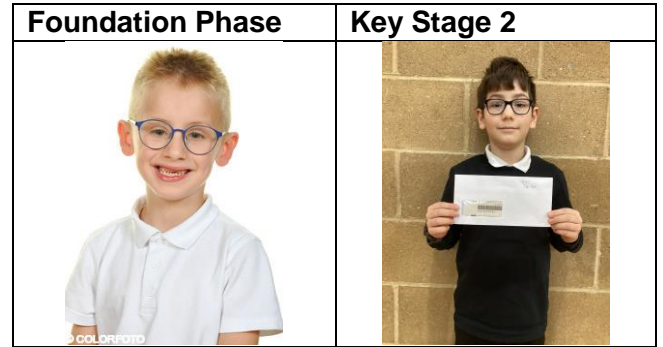
## Attendance Prize Winners

Each week, all children who have been in school every day get entered into a 100% attendance prize draw for that week. The aim is to celebrate and reward good attendance. Every child has a fresh chance each week to win a prize.

We call this our 'Top Hat Prize Draw'!



Last week's winners were:



## Ymadrodd yr Wythnos - Phrase of the Week

**Sut mae'r tywydd?**

Click the link below or scan the QR code to hear a member of Criw Cymraeg pronounce the Phrase of the Week and explain when it can be used. Use this phrase at home and share a video or picture through Seesaw to earn a Dojo point.

[Phrase of the Week – Sut mae'r tywydd?](#)



## Rugby Club News

On Wednesday 6th March a mixed team of nine Year 5 and 6 children attended the Challenge Cup at Rodney Parade. There were over twenty schools from across Newport in attendance. The team worked incredibly hard, they won one, drew three and lost one. We are so proud of the team and how they worked together in their first TAG tournament; with each match played they grew in confidence and speed.



## World Book Day Celebrations!

On 7<sup>th</sup> March we celebrated World Book Day with some wonderful activities based around reading for pleasure, books and dressing up as our favourite characters!

RDJ presented a super assembly to their parents based on their favourite story The Gingerbread Man!

Thank you to all our families for their support with this day, the children's costumes across the school were amazing!



## School Information

### Parent Consultations

We will be holding Individual Parent Consultations in Milner Hall (main site) on the following dates:

Nursery - Open day – **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**  
Nursery parents are welcome to visit nursery throughout the day to see the kind of activities the children participate in and speak to the class teacher and key workers.

<b>Nursery Open Day</b>	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	All Day
<b>Y1 - 2</b>	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	1.00– 6.30 pm
<b>Base classes x 4</b>	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	8.45am – 12.15pm
<b>Reception</b>	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	1.00 – 6.30 pm
<b>Y 5 - 6</b>	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 5.30pm
<b>Y3 - 4</b>	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am – 5.30pm
<b>Class 1 GH</b>	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am – 4.30pm

### Dates for your Diary

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** Parent consultation week.

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March:** Class 4KW Class assembly in Connect Hall

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** Comic Relief Red Nose Day – **wear your on clothes and bring your loose change**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Cultural Diversity Week in school

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March:** Attendance prize day

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March:** Nursery Easter Bonnets

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March:** Class 3NW Class assembly in Connect Hall

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Easter Chocolate Raffle

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Last day of term – school finishes at 3.30pm for Easter holidays

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April:** School Closed Easter holiday period

School returns usual time on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 (8am for breakfast club)





# Parent Information



## Crafternoon

Join us on  
Friday 15th March  
1.30-3.00  
for an afternoon of  
Crafting

Bring your own craft or  
join us to learn some  
new skills

#CraftChatRelax

**Everyone Welcome**





## One World Day

Tuesday 19th March




At St. Andrew's our families are from many different parts of the world.

Please join us at our Milner site, where some of our families will be sharing experiences from their cultures.

Everyone welcome

**1.30-3.00**

Food tasting, dancing, music, henna hand designs, and much, much more.

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