

## St Adrian's Weekly Bulletin- Friday 9th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

### St Adrian's Art Gallery

WOW! What a success St Adrian's art gallery was! The gallery looked amazing and really was true proof of all the great talent we have here in St Adrian's. Thank you to Mrs Solakova who organised the event and also to the parents for purchasing the pictures. If you have yet to purchase your picture, to avoid regular interruptions to the office, please send in the exact cash in a labelled envelope with your child on **Monday 12th June** as this will be the final day. They will also be on sale after school on Monday at 3.15pm in the dining hall, after which, all pictures will be returned. Please avoid calling into the office.



### Drama for all - EYFS and KS1

EYFS and Key Stage 1 had a great drama workshop today where they were immersed in the story of Peter Pan. They were evil pirates and good fairies and the children had a great time looking for treasure and playing different characters whilst helping our hero, Peter Pan, save the day!



## **PTA News**

### **50 CLUB**

Thank you sincerely to all of those that have supported the 50 Club this year. The 50 Club raises a substantial amount of money for the PTA, and raised more money this year than any other single event we hosted so it really is an invaluable source of income for the PTA and the school. Please email us on [stadrians.herts.pta@gmail.com](mailto:stadrians.herts.pta@gmail.com) if you would like to join the 50 Club from September as we have a limited amount of numbers available.

In other news, we have drawn the winners for this month's 50 Club draw! In first place winning £100 is Colette Madders, 2nd prize of £50 goes to Michael Mulkerrin and 3rd prize of £25 goes to Katerina McAllister. Congratulations!

Finally, please diarise our SUMMER BBQ, taking place on Saturday 15th July.

With thanks for your continued support,

The PTA

### **St Adrian's Got Talent**

To celebrate the end of music week on 23rd June, we are having a St Adrian's Got Talent competition. The children can audition singing their favourite songs or play a musical instrument. They children are not obliged to take part and it is on a voluntary basis.

Two individual children or acts from each class will be chosen to perform at the school on 23rd June. If your child is interested in taking part, please remind them to sign up for their class auditions during the lunch times on the dates below:

12th June: Year 1 auditions: at 12.20pm

13th June: Year 2 auditions at 12.20pm

14th June Year 4 auditions at 12.20pm

15th June Year 3 auditions at 12.20pm

16th June Year 5 auditions at 12.20pm

19th June Year 6 auditions at 12.20pm

20th June EYFS auditions at 12.20pm

The children can sing / play their instrument as a solo or as part of a group but not both and the performance must be no more than approximately two minutes long. Parents of finalists are welcome to attend - these finalists will be announced on Tuesday 20th June, once all auditions are done.

**Thank you - From The School Council 😊**

### **Parking at drop off and pick up**

It has been brought to our attention on several occasions that local residents are growing increasingly annoyed by people parking over their drives at drop off and pick up. Please can I ask that you are

considerate of our neighbours as they too may be in a rush to get to work and are unable to do so if cars are blocking their drives. Thank you.

### Transitions and handovers

On Thursday 13th July, your child will spend time with their new class teacher in preparation for the next academic year. Classteachers will remain in the same classes for the next academic year. Teaching assistants outside of EYFS, will be allocated according to where the needs are across the school. These will be finalised in due course.

Classteacher list is as follows for 2023-2024:

Nursery: Miss Taylor and Miss Cox

Reception : Mrs Solakova and Mrs Reid

Year 1: Mrs Thompson

Year 2: Mrs Hayes

Year 3: Miss Osman

Year 4: Mrs Gibbons

Year 5: Mr Creaton

Year 6 : Mr Hayes

On transition day, we would like the children to line up where their new classroom would be in the morning so they get used to going to a new playground / new class. The children will then spend up until lunchtime getting to know their way around their new room and finding out the expectations of their new class as well as getting to know their teacher and perhaps exploring new playgrounds. They will then return to their original class just before lunchtime. Mrs Hart will organise further transition meetings with those children who require extra support and the teachers will all have a thorough handover to their new class teacher, as well as extra visits and time together with their teacher, for those children who require it.

For secondary transitions, Mr Hayes and Mrs Hart have already begun meeting with heads of years and spoken with SENCOs to ensure that our current Year 6 are well supported in their move to secondary school. We have also ordered some transition activity booklets for the children to work through in their final weeks here. I am sure all will be a great success and the children will be well prepared for the new academic year.



### Sunscreen and sun hats

The weather is heating up, so please can we remind you to apply sunscreen to the children before school, provide them with a water bottle and they should also have a school hat. These can be purchased from

the school office. If they do bring sunscreen in, it must be a roll on (not spray), labelled and must not be shared with another child. They must also be able to apply it themselves.

During very hot periods, we will ensure the children get enough shade at lunchtimes. As mentioned in previous communication, the children can wear white polo shirts rather than a shirt and tie.

### **Dogs on site**

Whilst I understand that parents and children enjoy having their dogs come with them to school, Hertfordshire's general policy is that there should be no dogs on site. I appreciate that some families have small puppies and on occasion, carry them in. Ultimately, I would prefer for hygiene and allergy reasons, as well as for the safety of all the children in the school, that there were no dogs at all brought on site - carried or not. They may be tied up outside school, well enough away from the gates, it would however, be preferable for alternative arrangements to be made.

### **Great News!!!**



Well done to Harry Lakey and Alby Morrat who completed a 5k tough mudder for cancer research. They have together raised more than £1,000 for this wonderful cause. We are all so proud of them both and their commitment to the race and the fundraising.

Congratulations to Alessia Donnellan who tried out for Watford Under 10s and has gained herself a spot on the team. She was competing against girls a year older than herself as technically she should be playing under 9's next year, but got accepted to the under 10's.

Well done to Harry, Alby and Alessia, it is always great to hear of our pupils achieving outside of school as well.

### **Electric Umbrella**

The children may recall when we had an Electric Umbrella workshop in school as part of our mental health week. They are hosting a free event in Cassiobury Park this Sunday. Follow the link for more information. The children might want to go along! <https://www.electricumbrella.co.uk/umbrellafest>



## **HOUSEPOINT WINNERS TO BE ANNOUNCED IN ASSEMBLY**

### **Headteacher's Awards**

This week's awards go to.....

Year 6: Michael Di Maio and Gianluca Barletta

Year 5: Beth Horwood and Lily Christie.

Year 4: Livia Feistner and Gabriel Watson

Year 3: Charles Keelson and Henry Horwood

Year 2: Jade Dedrick Lewis and Emmie O'Leary.

Year 1: Daniel Clarke and Darcey Elliott

Reception: Jessica Tran and Ryan Irani

**Have a great weekend.**

**Many thanks,**

**Mrs Porter**