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**NEWSLETTER 9**

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

<b>MONDAY AFTER</b>		
Running/Fitness Club	KS2	Ms Doherty
Girls' Football	Years 5&6	Mr Green
<b>TUESDAY AFTER</b>		
Tag Rugby	Years 5&6	Mr Green/Richard
Study Club	Years 4,5	Ms Doherty
<b>WEDNESDAY AFTER</b>		
Handball/Netball	Years 5&6	Ms Doherty
<b>THURSDAY AFTER</b>		
DJ Club	KS1 &	Mrs Exell
Boys' Football	Years 3 &	Mr Green
<b>FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL</b>		
Study Club	Years 4,5	Ms Doherty
Multi-skills	Years 1 & 2	Mr Green

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

A reminder that if you have not completed and returned a slip for any of the clubs, your child will not be able to attend. We **must** have permission and know collection arrangements for safety reasons.

**CANCELLATIONS DUE TO FIXTURES**

NO HANDBALL CLUB on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November  
 NO MULTISKILLS CLUB on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November

**SCHOOL SPORTS KIT**

Could everybody please check at home for any school sports kit and return it to school in a clean condition. Many thanks

**SCHOOL SPORTS NEWS**

Please refer to the website for the latest news on fixtures and results.

**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2017**

**Starting School**

Will your child be aged 4 by September 2018? If so, you need to apply for a school place. You can apply online at [www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions) before 15th January 2018 or you can complete a paper application, which can be downloaded from the website.

**SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

Our new school photographer was in school yesterday taking individual pupil photos and sibling group photos of the whole school. Photographs and other items are now available to order directly online via the Tempest website. Please note online orders are preferable and offer you a greater discount. Please follow the instructions on the back of the photograph proof sent home with the children yesterday.



**PTFA NEWS**



**100 Club**

The winners for the October draw were: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize £20 - Anna Harris, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £6 - Agnieszka Jawor, 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Chocolates - Jenny Drewitt

Ticket sales are open until 24<sup>th</sup> November as we have only sold 53 numbers. After this date the sales will be closed for the year.

**Easyfundraising**

This year we have been busy collecting donations from Easyfundraising and have so far raised over £120 for the PTFA at no additional cost to our supporters.



Most people will be doing some of their Christmas shopping online and it would be fantastic if the school could benefit even more from the Easyfundraising scheme. We currently only have 18 supporters so we'd love to see more parents join up, with more of you on board we could raise some serious cash! There is no charge for this service and its very easy to use. There are no catches or hidden charges and we will be really grateful for your donations.

- Download the Easyfundraising App from the App Store
- Search for our cause "St Andrews Church School PTFA – Taunton"
- Click "Join Us" (or visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/standrewschurchsch>)

Once you have registered you simply need to click on the Easyfundraising App which will direct you to all your online suppliers at the click on an icon. It really is very simple and quick. There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, eBay, Asda, Argos, Tesco, Boots, John Lewis, Sainsbury's and many more.

Any questions please ask a member of the PTFA or see our step by step guide on our Facebook page.

Mouse Race and Curry Night 17<sup>th</sup> November 7pm

£5 a ticket, includes curry provided by Tiffins Restaurant & raffle entry. Bring your own drinks & betting money. Tickets are available from Fiona.



Raffle Tickets

Will be sent home with pupils next week. Please let friends and family know and return your raffle stubs and money to The School Office. Additional tickets are available from Fiona or Lucy.

Dates for the Diary:

Christmas Fair 8th December 5-7pm  
 Christmas Decoration Competition entries required 4th/5th December  
 Santa's Grotto and Cake Sale 19th December  
 Christmas Disco's Weds 20th December KS1 5-6pm, KS2 6:30-8pm



**CHILDREN IN NEED - 'SPOTACULAR' – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

This year we will be supporting the BBC event in the following ways:

**COVER PUDSEY WITH COINS** Before school you will have the opportunity to 'Cover Pudsey with Coins' – there will be large pictures of Pudsey Bear in the playgrounds, so please bring in your change and let's try and cover them both.

**WEAR SOMETHING SPOTTY!** On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, children can come to school wearing a spotty accessory (such as socks or scarf) or simple face paints with their uniform to show their support for the day, £1 Donation. Please do your best to help us raise a record amount this year.

**WIN A KNITTED PUDSEY** Once again, Mrs Jarmain's mother has very kindly (and cleverly) knitted a Pudsey Bear for each class and these will be raffled during assembly on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November. Please can children bring in 20p for a raffle ticket so they can have a chance of winning a knitted Pudsey. There will be an opportunity for pre-school children to purchase tickets on the Friday morning in the playground.

**HUNT FOR THE ROUND POUND** Why not help Pudsey round up all those old round pound coins? We reckon there are plenty still to be found. Even though you can't spend them anymore, you can still make them count by bringing them to school to add to our donation for BBC Children in Need, where they will be cashed in to help change young lives.



**BABY NEWS**

We are delighted to congratulate Mr and Mrs Harding on the birth of their beautiful baby boy, Charlie James who was born on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Lovely news!

**PAST PUPILS' PARTY**

This year's Victorian-themed past pupils' party is being held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm in the school hall. We look forward to welcoming past pupils from 6 – 160 who will be able to peruse the school registers and log books, be entertained with tea and songs by our older pupils and have a tour of the school. Please tell any past pupils you know

**DIARY DATES**

<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Friday 17th	Children in Need – Wear something spotty for £1 donation
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
Tuesday 5th	Victorian-themed Past Pupils' Party 2pm, School Hall
Wednesday 13th	School Christmas Dinner (Bookable via ParentPay)
Thursday 14th	Nativity at St. Andrew's Church
Tuesday 19th	Christmas Jumper Day for £1 donation KS2 Talent Show
Thursday 21st	Last day of Autumn term (break up for Christmas holidays)
<b>JANUARY 2018</b>	
Monday 8th	First day of Spring term

All relevant dates are also published on the Parent's Calendar on the school website [www.standrewsbwmat.org](http://www.standrewsbwmat.org)

Yours sincerely,

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