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Well done to everyone - children, parents and all staff - for another half term of home learning. We hope you enjoy Year 5's River poems below. The staff and governors at St Andrew's hope you have a restful and enjoyable half term.

Have fun and stay safe.

River Thames by Tommy (Year 5)

*The river Thames, the historic heart of London,
Affection flows through iconic landmarks,
Momentum building drawing people in,
Easing as it touches their souls,
Slowly reminding them to stop.*

Bold River by Harry W (Year 5)

*The river flows like a running tap,
The river looks like a shiny blue gem,
I can hear the water hitting the rocks,
It splashes and splashes,
I stand by the river, step into the water,
It makes my feet icy cold.
The river is so beautiful!*

Oh to be a River by Riley (Year 5)

*I'm stuck inside dreaming of somewhere I could be,
I'm thinking of a holiday that meant a lot to me.
We went to Niagara River, oh what a sight to see!
From a distance it looked calm, but how wrong could I be?
On a boat we got closer and water rained on me;
Lucky, I had that poncho, I purchased at the quay!
The sound was so loud, like a million seas,
mist rose from the surface like a swarm of bees.
As we left I could see a rainbow it made me fill with glee,
one of nature's miracles lit up like a Christmas tree.
Back home I'm trapped inside, with my family,
Oh to be a river, simply running free.*

Please see separate PDF for new Dinner Menu (also on website)

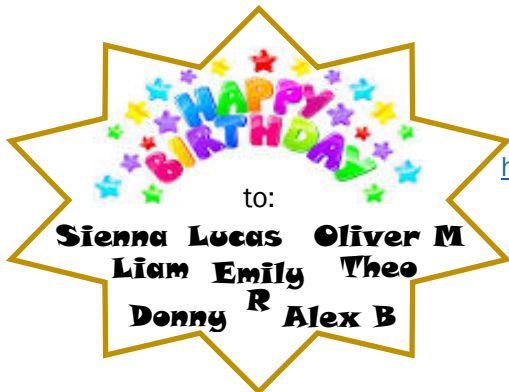
Phased return to school for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6.

At present we are intending to re-open from 1st June for pupils in **EYFS and Year 6** and all these parents have been personally contacted this week. Further information will be emailed to parents hopefully by the end of this week. The intention for the next phase is to contact Year 1 parents after half term with a view to their children returning from the week commencing 8th June subject to a review of the new arrangements. *The proposed changes are in addition to the existing arrangements for children of key workers and vulnerable groups (as below).*

After half term, parents should not enter the school grounds.

The school office will be open only by telephone (01206) 210638 or email: admin@st-andrewscofe.essex.sch.uk to avoid visits to the office hatch. Should you need to visit the school for any reason, please telephone in advance to arrange an appointment time.

The school will **not be open** over half term due to re-opening preparations and staff availability, however, please contact the school by email should you find yourself needing provision during half term. Please send an email to: admin@st-andrewscofe.essex.sch.uk using 'Key Worker Childcare Required' as subject title. This account will be monitored on a daily basis, however, please **give a minimum of 24 hours' notice** so that we can arrange a provision to meet your needs. Current arrangements will resume from 1st June whereby the school will offer provision for the children of Key Workers critical to the ongoing management of Covid-19 that **are unable to safely stay at home**. If there is an alternative adult, such as a partner or second parent who is **working at home or able to take leave from their job, this will be deemed as a safe alternative**. To ensure that childcare can be provided in line with Government guidelines, a place **must be 'booked'** for your child to attend a school day. To support staggered arrival times, Key Worker children must arrive at 8.30am using the smaller gate and follow the purple colour-coded route. For those who require it, there can be the provision of a free-of-charge after-school club ending at 4.15p.m. Please email to book your child's place: admin@st-andrewscofe.essex.sch.uk using 'Key Worker Childcare Required' as subject title. This account will be monitored on a daily basis, however, please **give a minimum of 24 hours' notice** so that we can arrange a provision to meet your needs.



Dancing Darren's Online Stream:
Dances are uploaded each Thursday and your password has been emailed via DB. Go to <https://www.dancedays.co.uk/remote> (also on DB and the homepage of the school website). Look out for Miss Gutteridge's music video for this week on Yumu!

Here are a few more suggestions for our Jar of Joy.

To go back to jujitsu Oscar

To have a water fight with my friends in the sunshine Alex

To go to one of our favourite Italian restaurants because cooking Italian at home isn't the same! Miss O'Keeffe



Year 5 v. Year 6
Year 5 were ahead this time last week but Year 6 came back fighting. Final result: Yr5 11,639 Yr6 12,855
Well done to everyone!

Doing Oti Mabuse's dance classes on YouTube Theo

Boredom

Colouring Star Wars posters. Evan

BUSTERS

LOOK OUT... ...for video stories from the Open the Book team: [here](#) and their weekly craft activities [here](#)

Dear God, thank you for making it sunny so we can go out to play. Thank you for keeping me and my family safe and well.
Amen
By Jack (Year 1)