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It has been lovely to see most of our Year 4 children this week and hearing about their experiences since March when we last saw most of them. We are looking forward to seeing pupils from Year 3 and 5 next week.

Have fun learning and stay safe.

Forthcoming Dates:

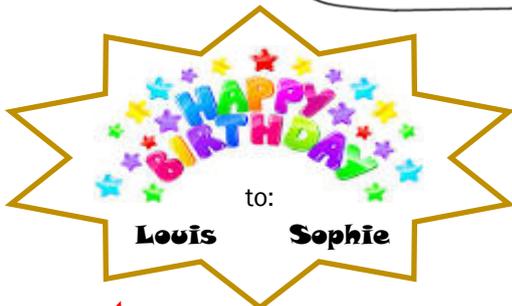
21 July	Last day of summer term
3 Sep	Autumn term starts
26-30 Oct	Half term
2 Nov	Non-pupil day
17 Dec	Last day of autumn term

Dancing Darren's Online Stream:

has now finished for now. There are still plenty of online dance/exercise classes you can do, such as Joe Wicks and Oti Mabusa. Look out for **Miss Gutteridge's music video** for this week on Yumu!

Our **Jar of Joy** has now been converted to a **Gratitude Jar** to celebrate things we can now do again, even if we have to do them differently!

I am grateful that I can now see my family, the teachers in the school who work hard especially you as you do everything good for me. I am also grateful to see my friends and for my home and my bedroom with all my toys.
Leoni



CELEBRATING
In Yr 6

Parents should not enter the school grounds, even when dropping off or collecting children. 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.

Return to school before end of term and opportunity to meet next year's teacher.

Years 3 and 5 have been invited to attend school next week and parents have been emailed information. Year 2 children have been invited the following week. Further information will be emailed to these parents early next week. If you do not intend to take up the offer please notify the school office as soon as possible by phone or by email: admin@st-andrewscofe.essex.sch.uk.

Notifying the school of absences

If your child is absent from school for any reason having attended the previous day, the school do need to be notified of their absence as soon as possible please.

For illness absences, we require detailed information

from parents as to the exact nature of the illness. This will greatly assist us when we report absence circumstances to the Department of Education to support the Government's management of the current pandemic.

To support the school as provision increases and keep everyone safe we ask that the following guidelines for children attending school are adhered to:

- ◆ If your child appears unwell or has possible Covid-19 symptoms, please notify the school and do not bring them in;
- ◆ If you are called to collect your child because they are showing possible symptoms of Covid-19, please come to collect them promptly;
- ◆ If your child, or someone in your household, is showing Covid-19 symptoms, please arrange tests for the child and family and notify the school.

The Birds of Lake Stymphalos - By Kamran

Coming back from yet another labour - with a lion head in his hands - Hercules walked into the palace with a colossal smile on his face. "Hercules!" boomed King Eurytheus. "There has been another threat, near the Lake Stymphalos. Go! Defeat these deadly birds and come back with one of their heads."

Hercules nodded, threw the lion head into Eurytheus's arms and set off to defeat those disgusting birds.

His adventure would take a couple of hours to get there on foot, so Hercules whistled and his pet Pegasus came zooming to his side like a thunderbolt. He rode Pegasus right to Lake Stymphalos, but first, he would have to find out where to land. There were mountains of steep rock, rivers of camp moss and hundreds of trees in the mixture. Pegasus was flying cautiously around all the dangers that could be fatal to most people. Once they came to an opening, both could see the massive birds in the distance. Hercules was ready for another fight...

Dear God, thank you to all the NHS staff and keyworkers who work really hard to keep the nation safe. I am grateful for the easing of the lockdown because I feel life is getting much easier for everyone. I am thankful that we are now able to see more of our family members who I really miss. I am thankful to everyone who is following the rules to make sure we stay safe. Amen. By Chelsea (Year 3)

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