



ADDITIONAL EDITION OF HEADLINES

At the PSA meeting on Monday evening, I agreed to write an additional edition of Headlines this week as there was so much information to share. It is exciting that there are so many plans for exciting events at St. Aidan's this term!

Author visit and book signing

Following on from the presentation delivered to all children in KS2 last term during neurodiversity week, we have a neurodiverse author visiting children in KS2 on Friday morning.

Elle McNicoll is a bestselling and award-winning novelist. Her debut, *A Kind of Spark*, won the **Blue Peter Book Award** and the **Overall Waterstones Children's Book Prize**, as well as **Blackwell's Book of 2020**. She is **Carnegie** nominated, and was shortlisted for the **Books Are My Bag Awards 2020**, the **Branford Boase Award** and **The Little Rebels Award**. Her second novel, *Show Us Who You Are*, was **Blackwell's Book of the Month** and one of **The Bookseller's Best Books of 2021**. She is an advocate for better representation of neurodiversity in publishing, and currently lives in East London.

Elle has now written her third novel, *Like a charm*, and is coming to visit children in Green, Blue, Indigo and Purple classes on Friday morning.

Children in these classes will be able to purchase a copy of Elle's latest novel and get it signed by her on the day. If your child would like their own signed copy, please buy for £6.99 via SchoolMoney by Friday morning.

Update from the PSA

PSA Quiz

Tickets for the PSA quiz are currently on sale in the playground at drop off and pick up, speak to your class reps to be pointed in the direction of the ticket sellers. The quiz will be held in the school hall on Thursday 19th March from 19:30 until 22:00. Tickets are £12 each which includes a delicious curry. There will be a bar as well as a bring your own bottle option (with a £3 corkage donation). We look forward to seeing you there.

David Andrew- 10% off for all St Aidan's parents/carers/staff

David Andrew has been a fantastic supporter of St Aidan's over many years.

This year they would like to extend their support to the St Aidan's community by offering 10% off any fee they receive from a direct recommendation via a parent carer or staff member.

For further information get in touch with Mark Campbell, Branch Manager at their Stroud Green office:-

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Summer Fair, David Andrew house boards competition

See the template [here](#) for the David Andrew House boards competition, to promote our Summer Fair. Make it bright and fun, it's time to finally celebrate Summer together! Copies of the template have been sent in book bags this week.

Please ensure drawings are returned to the school office by **10am on Monday 16th May**. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. The winning entry will be printed onto the David Andrews house boards, to be posted around the neighbourhood in the week leading up to the Fair.

Drawing to be in A4 Landscape please, if possible please include the time and date of the fair into the artwork (it is not a problem if your child does not want to do this, we can do some graphic design magic and add it in later if necessary) There is no specific theme for the fair this year.

St Aidan's Summer Fair
2nd July, 12-3pm

Can you host a David Andrews house board outside your property?

If you are happy to have one of the fabulous Summer Fair David Andrew house boards outside your property for the weeks leading up to the fair, please get in touch with your class reps with your name, contact number and address. (The boards will be installed around 4 weeks before the fair, and removed a few days after)

School disco

The PSA are holding a disco in the hall on Friday 10th June. Many thanks to Tom Pateman for agreeing to be our DJ.

Timings are 5-6pm for children in Red, Orange and Yellow classes. 6.15-7.15pm for children in Green, Blue, Indigo and Purple classes.

Further details will be shared nearer the date.

Faith Week

This year's Faith Week will be starting the week of Monday 23rd May and have the theme of peace and specifically of being a peacemaker.

Jubilee Celebration

The whole school will be coming together for a celebration to mark the Queen's platinum jubilee on the afternoon of Thursday 26th May.

Library and reading volunteers needed!

Our English subject leader, Amanda Munn, is looking for some volunteers from our local community.

Amanda is currently re-organising the school library. She is looking for a couple of volunteers to support with labelling and then ordering fiction books. This would probably be a morning's work, and would really help Amanda in making progress with getting the books more easily accessible for children across the school.

We are also looking to recruit some more reading volunteers. Pre- COVID, we had a team of volunteers who could regularly offer an hour a week at a regular time to hear children read. If you are able to make this a regular commitment, then we would organise for a DBS check to be completed, which the school will organise.

Volunteers will be linked with a particular class and could be parents, grandparents or ex-parents in our local community. Please contact the school office if you are interested.



St. Aidan's has signed up for The Big Plastic Count, which is happening next week. We are looking to support research into how much plastic we are all using at home over a week and what happens to it. Later in the term, we will then be having a focus on the plastic that we use at St Aidan's.

Please look out for further details about how to take part in due course.

Join Our Virtual Parent Health Promotion Sessions

We invite you to meet your school nurses, share your concerns and gain information about how to support your child's health and well-being.

Schedule

In order to accommodate all parents' schedules, two sessions will be held. Each month will be focusing on a specific topic.

More Information

- Sessions will last up to an hour on MS Teams
- Sessions will not run during half-term.
- Schools will send out an email with login details for sessions detailing dates.

The team would also like to hear what support might be helpful to parents

Fornightly sessions will run on
Monday 10am & Wednesday 4pm
Top Tips for you and your child

May 2022 - Online Safety

Information and advice on how to best support your child so that they can use the Internet safely.

Monday 9th May - 10am
Wednesday 25th May - 4pm

June 2022 - Transitioning

Learn about how to support your child in toilet training and their transition from Primary to Secondary school.

Monday 13th June - 10am
Wednesday 29th June - 4pm

Dates to be confirmed for Autumn Term



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