

## Testimonials from the St. Andrew's parent community - January 2021

"Distance learning is far from ideal but they are consistently going above and beyond to make it enjoyable for child 1 and child 2 and all the children. I know people are always quick with a moan so I thought I would message and say how impressed we are. Thank you for all of your hard work."

"Thank you so very much for all the work you are putting into doing the school work on Teams."

"My child is so much happier this time being able to see her friends in the day and she is doing so much more work which is fantastic so thank you so very much. All of your hard work with you and everyone behind the scenes does not go unnoticed. I'm just really appreciative you are all able to do it. Thank you very much."

"Good evening. Firstly I'd like to say how lovely it is to see you leading some lessons with the children, I've always known you have strong relationship with the children in school but it's lovely to see you lead some lessons with them. I know you must get many emails and phones calls to complain, but you and your staff barely ever get the praise they deserve. Firstly, teacher 1 is doing an amazing job with the class, every lesson is thoroughly planned and every child is clearly gripped, considering their young age!!!! I know people who work at other local primary schools and they are doing nowhere near what St. Andrews are to support their pupils, so thank you for creating such a solid routine for our children. My main reason for my message is to recognise the hard work and dedication put in by teacher 2. Lessons are amazing...

The children are thriving and that really is down to the amazing teachers and support they get from St. Andrews. So thank you. Thank you for taking on the school and choosing an incredible team. I really have no

words to express our gratitude. Some weeks are extremely hard for everyone but the teachers just what they do best and everything seems to just work."

"Just wanted to say provision today was great!! Thanks so much!!

I thought it worked really well!"

"A big thank you to all at St A's for keeping them all motivated and happy at such a strange time."

"They both came home full of it today. Thanks for all your hard work this week."

"Staff are doing an amazing job for the children in such unusual circumstances. Just wanted to say a big thank you for today.

Online lessons have certainly made home schooling easier this time."

"I want to thank you for everything you are doing. The children are all clearly gripped in each and every lesson. We could not possibly do this without your organisation, structure and positivity. Your support has been brilliant, so thank you for all you do."

"Thanks for all the hard work that you and the team are doing, it can't be easy."

"Thank you so much for your thoughts and consideration."

"I have to say in awe of how you connect with the children and keep all of them so motivated and engaged on teams...not an easy task but you seem to manage it so easily."

"Just a quick message to say a massive thank you for all you have done this term both in school and for the home learning. "My child truly is one lucky boy to have such a fantastic dedicated teacher and it means so much to us as parents that in this crazy year you have given it everything- with added fun and sparkle!"

"Just wanted to say thank you for putting in so much hard work. When I have earwigged in my child's sessions I always think how much preparation you must have done - the Padlet looks amazing! Must have taken you ages to set up. Thanks for putting in so much effort for them."

"Thank you for all for the hard work you have put in the last year we appreciate it hugely."

"Thank you for the very speedy communication."

"I just wanted to message and extend a massive thank you to teacher 1 and teacher 2 and the TAs they are really superb!"

"Can I just take this opportunity to say what a fantastic job the class teams have done in making this first week at home run smoothly. Child I and Child 2 have really appreciated being able to interact with their teachers and friends. The structure and routine have really helped us to retain some sense of 'normality.' All staff have as always radiated genuine warmth and care for the children. In particular I would like to thank Teacher 1, they have really jumped into the New Year with both feet and supported their new class whilst getting to grips with such a foreign way of working. I hope all staff are able to enjoy a very well earned weekend."

"I just wanted to pass on my thanks to you and your staff for providing such a positive learning experience for my children during this current lockdown. The mix of independent and Teams sessions are working well for us and they are both really motivated each day to log on, print out or simply look at the supporting materials provided by Teacher 1 and Teacher 2.

I am working from home and have found this approach to learning not only suits the children but also allows me to get on with my work as Child 1 and Child 2 can easily navigate their own way around Teams. This method is far more productive for all of us."