



## Parent/Carer Newsletter

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*Wednesday 24th January 2024*

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**“If you see someone without a smile, give 'em yours!”**

**Dolly Parton**

## **Key dates for Parent/Carers**

<b>Monday 22nd January</b>	Clubs return to 4.30pm finish
<b>Wednesday 24th January</b>	Football match Waltham St Lawrence 3.00 - 4.30 pm <b>cancelled</b>
<b>Thursday 1st February</b>	Football match - Holy Trinity 3.30-4.30 pm
<b>Wednesday 7th February</b>	Dance Festival - Class Lovelace
<b>Wednesday 7th February</b>	Football match - Oldfield 3.30 - 4.30
<b>Friday 9th February</b>	Class Aquino last swimming lesson

<b>Mon 12th - Fri 16th February</b>	Half Term
<b>Wednesday 21st February</b>	Football Match - Furze Platt 3.30 - 4.30 pm
<b>Friday 23rd February</b>	Class Attenborough swimming starts
<b>Thursday 29th February</b>	Football match - White Waltham 3.30 - 4.30 pm
<b>Tuesday 5th March</b>	Football match - Bisham 3.30 - 4.30 pm
<b>Thursday 7th March</b>	World Book Day
<b>Tuesday 19th March</b>	Parent Consultations
<b>Thursday 21st March</b>	Parent Consultations
<b>Friday 22nd March</b>	Class Attenborough last swimming lesson
<b>Tuesday 26th March</b>	Easter Celebration - Year 4
<b>Friday 29th March - Friday 12 April</b>	Easter Holiday

## Priority Messages

Dear Parents and Carers,

A shorter message from me this week with a mention of a few events that took place!

Last week the children took part in an informative session on road safety with a trainer coming in to work with each year group throughout the day. The children looked at the dangers on the road and what to look out for. They then discussed a good routine for crossing the road safely and had fun whilst learning! It was a really useful session for the children, especially as more and more of our older pupils are walking to and from school independently.

This week we had our first meeting for Rhos-Y-Gwaliau for our year 5 pupils. Thank you to all the parents that came along to the meeting and we hope it was helpful. We will be discussing the residential trip with the children and giving them a chance to ask questions about the week. All the information that was provided will be uploaded onto our school website and paper copies are in the office for parents to collect at any time. It really is a wonderful trip that builds children's confidence, resilience and their independence. If you have any worries or if your child has said that they do not want to go, please do come and see me so you have all the right information before making a decision!

As always, please do keep an eye on the calendar with more events, in particular sports festivals and competitions on the horizon.

Otherwise, we hope you all have a lovely rest of the week,

Mr Mckrell

Deputy Head

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***And I will always guide you and satisfy you with good things. I will keep you strong and well.***

***You will be like a garden that has plenty of water, like a spring of water that never goes dry.***

**(GNT Isaiah 58:11)**

## **Class Spotlight - Lindgren**

Despite the chilly temperatures outside, the atmosphere in Class Lindgren remains warm and welcoming. At times, it even reaches boiling point, particularly during our Guided Reading sessions. These lessons have been buzzing with excitement as we engage in heated discussions about Ted Sparks and his missing cousin, Salim. The Year 4 students are developing their reasoning and deduction skills, applying them to problem-solving across all subjects.

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### ***History***

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In History, we have been exploring the fascinating era of the Anglo-Saxons and their significant contributions to British history and culture. The pupils have actively participated in discussions, asking and answering questions about the daily life in the 5th century. They've also made insightful predictions based on photos of artefacts discovered in Sutton Hoo.



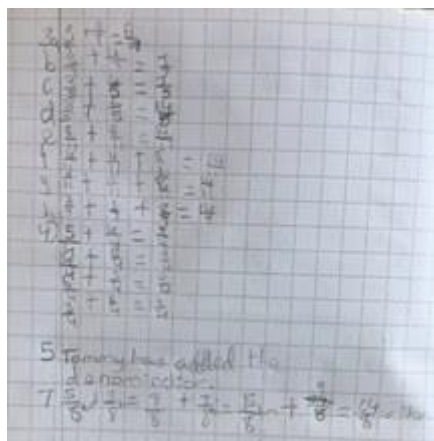



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### Maths

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Times tables and fractions are the main focus in Maths this term. The children have been learning about proper and improper fractions, mixed numbers, comparing, placing on a number line, converting, adding and subtracting fractions. All the activities were accompanied by models and pictures for a better understanding of the abstract ideas. Many of Class Lindgren pupils have a solid grasp of fractions and take up reasoning challenges.





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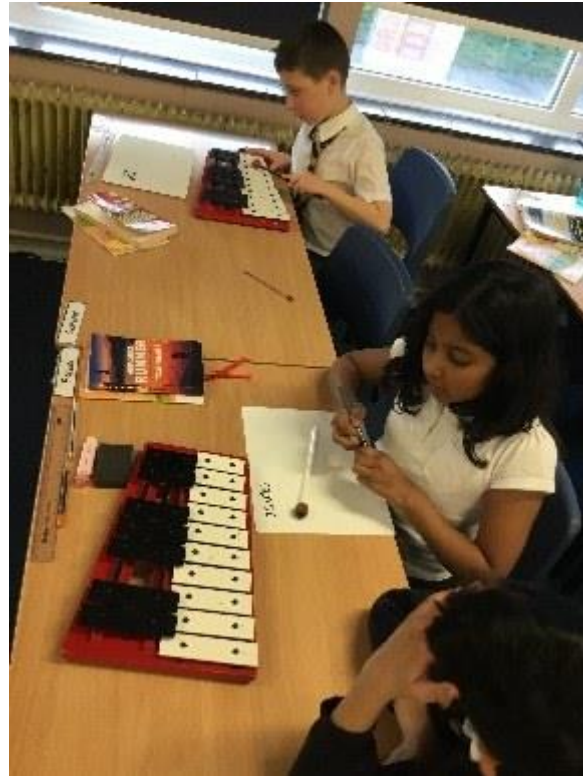
### *Music*

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We have been looking for patterns also in other subjects. In Music, patterns make motifs and tunes. Recognising the patterns and developing them using percussion instruments is good fun! The children played a tune from the song "Build a Road" on glockenspiels and even created their own motifs using the instruments.







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## Science

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Science is one of the subjects that we learn best outdoors. Living things and their habitats can be found everywhere. Even though we have some plants (and even mushrooms!) thriving on our windowsills, for exploring other microhabitats we went to the playground.

It was not easy to find many living things after a few frosty nights, but we tried. We have looked under fallen leaves and logs, in grass clumps and around trees. There were a few snails and slugs, a ladybird (not sure if alive) and a whole in the ground. We deduced that some insects must be living there, perhaps ants. Our final conclusion was that we would have to sit quietly for some time and observe patiently to discover any animals that might be hiding around. Not everyone was up to the challenge, though. Surprisingly, some plants were doing quite well, which means the habitat supported their needs and is suitable for the species.





After hours of learning at the tables, PE lessons are always a nice change. Recently, we have been developing our dynamic balance and the skills used in ball games.



We are lucky to be supported by Ameena, an instructor from Berkshire Cricket, who will teach us the basics of cricket for the next 2 weeks.





At school we learn not only the compulsory curriculum, but also many life skills, like road safety. Last week, Year 4 classes attended a workshop and learnt the Green Cross Code about crossing a road. Tamasine, a Road Safety Education Officer, explained and demonstrated the correct way of wearing seatbelts in a car. The experiment with an egg helped us understand the importance of a helmet when we ride a bike.



## PE and Sport Update

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### *Sports Leaders*

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This week the enthusiastic sports leaders have been finding out how active everyone is and encouraging them to do the Active Mile at lunchtimes. Other challenges will be set each week and on Fridays we will discover which class is the most active.

**Most Active Class = Shelley**

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### *Events*

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Yesterday Tuesday 23rd January, some keen Year 3/4 children were selected to try new activities at the Badminton Racket Pack Festival at Altwood School against other schools. They experienced a circuit of fun games to develop racket skills. Badminton is a great game you can play in the garden or find out more from Braywick Leisure Centre.



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### *Afterschool Sports Club Routine*

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If your child is unable to attend a club after school, please inform the school office so your child can be accounted for.

Registers are taken at the beginning of an afterschool club so anyone absent can be accounted for.

If your child misses 2 consecutive weeks without explanation, their place can be offered to someone else. (This is only applicable to free clubs).

**Please note from this week all outdoor afterschool clubs (namely netball and football) will now finish at the normal time of 4:30pm, please arrive promptly to pick your child up.**

Many thanks.

Mrs Thompson

## **Well Done!**

Sorcha won the Robin Hood Trophy on Friday at Nottingham Motorpoint Ice Rink. She competed against 11 very strong competitors but received a massive score of 15.09, even after she tripped and

nearly fell. Sorcha will compete as Mary Poppins for the final time at Guildford ice rink on the 31st January.





As we all know, good attendance is vital for our children to ensure their learning journey is not disrupted and there is a nationwide push to raise attendance in schools. Congratulations to Class Hadid for winning our attendance award this week, can you keep the crown for next week? We will see!

Going forward, our school's attendance coordinator will be Mr Mckrell who will be monitoring our school's attendance and any individual attendance cases that arise through the year. If you have any queries, please do contact Mr Mckrell via the office.

## Weekly Attendance Table

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Hadid	99.33%	1
Class Attenborough	98.00%	2
Class Hawking	98.00%	3
Class Shelley	97.39%	4
Class Aquino	95.67%	5
Class Owens	95.17%	6
Class Lovelace	93.91%	7
Class Lindgren	90.00%	8

## Yearly Attendance Table

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Hadid	97.12%	1
Class Shelley	96.08%	2
Class Lovelace	95.77%	3
Class Hawking	95.48%	4
Class Attenborough	95.47%	5
Class Lindgren	94.78%	6
Class Aquino	94.49%	7
Class Owens	94.46%	8



STAR OF THE WEEK	
3.1 - Shelly	<b>F</b> for his excellent starts in the morning and his determination in maths! Keep it up!
3.2 - Lovelace	<b>Johnny</b> continually demonstrates an excellent attitude to learning with high standards in his academic achievements as well as behaviour. Thank you for being a wonderful role model in our class.
4.1 - Owens	<b>Bella</b> for showing great attitude towards her learning. She has shown great determination and focus to complete all tasks to a high standard. Well done and keep it up!
4.2 - Lindgren	<b>A</b> has been working diligently this week to write an interesting innovation of a diary entry. She remembered to use informal language and describe the character's thoughts and feelings. Well done!
5.1 - Aquino	<b>Ewan</b> has worked excellently this week. He has been striving to do his best in class particularly in Computing lessons. His help and support for others therein proves why he is an excellent Digital Leader.
5.2 - Attenborough	<b>Ayaan</b> for his efforts in all subjects. He always tries to better himself and is an example in the classroom. Well done!
6.1 - Hawking	<b>S</b> for her fantastic writing this week in our Defeating the Monster narratives. She has also impressed with her brilliant expression when reading any character in our class reading lessons. Well done!
6.2 - Hadid	<b>Ava</b> for her improved attitude towards learning. She has been working incredibly hard to tackle tasks independently and checking through what she has done. Well done and keep it up!

## Messages and Reminders

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### *Calling raffle donations!*

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To help raise funds for the school, the PTA are organising a raffle prize draw, which will take place in March. We have some exciting prizes to be won but we are looking for additional donations to support our fundraising.

The PTA would greatly appreciate it if you have any items you can kindly donate. Please drop these in the office by 9th February. Alternatively, we also welcome any donations from local businesses. If you are aware of any that may like to contribute to our raffle draw prizes, please email the PTA at [allsaintsjuniorpta@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsjuniorpta@gmail.com). Thank you.

SCHOOL — KEEP — CLEAR

## School Keep Clear



**NO STOPPING  
NO PARKING  
NO WAITING**

### Why do I have to leave it clear?

For safety - to ensure clear sight lines for both motorists and children, as well as for other road users, outside schools. They provide a clear area in which children and adults can cross more safely.

### Am I okay just to pick up on the zig-zag markings if I am only there for a second?

Under no circumstance should you stop on zig-zag markings at any time, even just for a second. A stationary car can prevent a driver seeing a child crossing the road.

### But it's raining, can I just drop off?

Don't be pressured by bad weather into parking on the Keep Clear zig-zags.

Rule 238 of the Highway Code states;

"You **MUST NOT** wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings when upright signs indicate a prohibition of stopping."

Better a wet coat than parking illegally which could result in a fine.

**Keep the Zig-Zags clear- No excuses!**



My Travel Choices



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## Lost Property

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**Lost property can now be found under the shelter out side Year 3.**

## Current Clubs at All Saints Junior School

### Spring Clubs 2024

ALL SAINTS JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUB INFORMATION – SPRING TERM 2024									
CLUB	DAY	TIME	YEAR	DATES	CLUB LEADER	COST	VENUE	DURATION	COLLECT FROM
Breakfast Club	Mon-Fri	7.45 – 8.30 am	Years 3-6	Mon-Fri	All Saints Junior School	£4.00 long session £3.50 short session	Hall	45 mins	N/A
Afterschool Club	Mon-Fri	3.30 – 6.00 pm	Years 3-6	Mon-Fri	Sports4kids	Contact supplier	Small Hall	2hrs 30 mins	Small green side gate
Gymnastics	Mon	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	8 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 18 <sup>th</sup> March	uSports	£65.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Netball	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 5 & 6	16 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs Thompson	No charge	Playground	1 hour	Reception
Football	Wed	12.15 – 1.15 pm	Years 3-6	10 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Maidenhead Maggies	No charge	Playground	30-minute sessions	N/A
Football	Wed	3.30 – 4.30	Years 3-6	10 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Maidenhead Maggies	Contact supplier	Muga	1 hour	Reception
Music	Thurs	1.00 – 3.00 pm	Years 3-6		iRock	Contact supplier	Small Hall	2 hours	N/A
Sewing	Thurs	3.30 – 4.40 pm	Years 3-6	11 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2024	Dhaaga Creative Sewing	£85.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Badminton Club	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Year 4	25 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Mrs Thompson	No Charge	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Growing Club	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Year 4 by invitation	11 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Ms Nowaczyk	No Charge	Outside Lindgren	1 hour	Reception
Indoor Cricket	Fri	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	12 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024	uSport	TBA	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Football	Fri	12.15-1.15 pm	Years 5 & 6	12 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024	Maidenhead Maggies	No charge	Playground	30-minute sessions	N/A

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*iRock*

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

September bookings are now open for rock and pop band lessons at your child's school! This letter will tell you how your child could experience being in their own iRock band every week.

Our band lessons are not only fun but they can massively help develop your child's life skills: boosting confidence, supporting wellbeing, developing social skills and even helping to improve their academic performance.

How it works:

There is no experience necessary to join and all of the instruments are provided by iRock.

Your child can choose from drums, keyboard, electric guitar or vocals (subject to availability). They'll play the same instrument every week and join their band mates in 30 minute weekly lessons.

Lessons are held during the school day and are led by one of our experienced band coaches who will guide your child through every session.

Lessons are available from Reception to Year 6 with children grouped by age. Children choose their band name and learn their favourite songs.

The band sessions build towards a concert at the end of each term, a great way to show you just how far they have come.

**\*NEW\*** Your child can achieve a brand new music qualification, regulated by RSL awards. More information about our new qualification coming soon!

**\*NEW\*** Access the iRock parent portal to see your child's band memories, song choice, manage your subscription and much more!

The highlight of your child's week for £38.95 per month (no payment in August). Our iRock subscription is designed to give parents full flexibility rather than having to commit to an entire year or term. The subscription guarantees a minimum lesson quota of 33 lessons in each academic year.

You can register your child's interest today by visiting [www.irockschool.com](http://www.irockschool.com), email [info@irockschool.com](mailto:info@irockschool.com) or call **0330 174 2655**. Places are offered on a first come first serve basis.

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### *Sewing Club*

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#### ***After school Sewing Club***

**Open for yr. 3, 4,5 & 6**

Starting: Thursday, 11th January 2024

Hello children! Let's have some sewing fun! I am very excited to announce the sewing club for the Spring term. Children will be doing creative sewing using different techniques and various types of fabrics.

This term, children will be making:

**Apron, wall hanging for Mother's Day and Bag charm for Easter.**

#### **Course Details:**

***Duration: 10 weeks (Starting 11th Jan to 21st March)***

***Time: 3.30 to 4.40pm***

***Fee: £85 (All materials included), you can also pay by following childcare vouchers***

- **Edenred**
- **Sodexo**
- **Care4**
- **Fidelity**
- **Computershare**

Places are limited and will be allotted on a first come first serve basis. If your child would like to join, **please text/WhatsApp me to book the place.**

Thank you.

Anita Kulkarni Mobile -07782253565 Email: anita@dhaaga-sewing.co.uk Follow us on  
facebook.com/DhaagaUK

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### *uSport - Gymnastics & Indoor Cricket*

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Spring 2024

**0118 449 2641** info@ [u-sports.co.uk](mailto:info@u-sports.co.uk) [www.u-sports.co.uk](http://www.u-sports.co.uk)

**All Saints Juniors School**

**B O O K N O W**

**<https://eastberkshire-termtime.classforkids.io/term/564>**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

uSports are pleased to announce that we will be delivering the following after-school clubs at All Saints Juniors School in the Spring Term.

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### *Gymnastics*

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Year 3-6 | Monday | 3.30pm - 4.30pm

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### *Indoor Cricket*

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Year 3-6 | Friday | 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Prices | £6.50 per session Best Wishes,

Charlie Hiscox

uSports

### How To Book

1. Click the 'Book Now' button or type in the link underneath
2. Scroll to find the right club and click 'Join Waiting List'
3. Add your child's details
4. Book your child's place
5. Pay for your session once we have confirmed and booked you on

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### *Maidenhead Magpies - Football*

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**ALL SAINTS  
FOOTBALL AFTER  
SCHOOL CLUBS**



**After School Clubs @ All Saints**

Years 3-6	Every Wednesday	3.30– 4.30pm
Girls Years 3-6	Every Wednesday	3.30– 4.30pm

**Starting W/C 8th January –Finishing W/C 18th March**

Maidenhead in the Community, who are the community arm of Maidenhead United Football Club, are running weekly boys & girls Football sessions at All Saints These sessions will run after school from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. The club will be focused on developing ability, confidence and skill level in a fun environment. The sessions are run by coaches who have experience and are FA qualified.

CONTACT - [MARK.NISBET@MAIDENHEADUNITEDFC.ORG](mailto:MARK.NISBET@MAIDENHEADUNITEDFC.ORG)  
PLEASE BOOK THROUGH OUR WEBSITE  
[WWW.MAIDENHEADUNITEDFC.ORG](http://WWW.MAIDENHEADUNITEDFC.ORG)

**UNITED AS ONE**

### Feedback Form:

To help continue our school improvement we would really appreciate any feedback regarding school life whether it is something for us to improve or anything positive that we are doing right now. If you could fill out the form below, your feedback will be important for us moving forward.

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*From all the staff here at All Saints Junior School, we hope you have a great week ahead!*

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