



# Parent/Carer Newsletter

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*Wednesday 26th June 2024*

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**“If you don’t like the road you’re walking, start paving another one.”**

Dolly Parton

## Key dates for Parent/Carers

**Thursday 27th June**

Music Festival

Years 4 & 5

**Tuesday 2nd July**

No swimming

Class Shelley

**Tuesday 2nd July**

Year 6 Transition Day and  
whole school Transition Day

**Mon 8th - Wed 10th July**

Bikeability

**Friday 12th July**

Year 6

Grenfell Park afternoon

**Tue 16th - Wed 17th July**

Year 6 Production

**Thursday 18th July**

iRock Concert

**Tuesday 23rd July**

Year 6 Leavers

	Service
<b>Tuesday 23rd July</b>	Leavers Party 5pm - 7pm
<b>Wednesday 24th July</b>	End of term <b>Finish at 1.30 pm</b>
<b>Thursday 25th July</b>	Staff Training Day
<b>Wednesday 4th September</b>	Pupils return to school

## Priority Messages

### Dear Parents and Carers

On **Tuesday next week**, the children will spend the morning in their new classes. There will be an opportunity for you to meet their new teachers after school. This is not a formal meeting, just a chance for you to locate your child's new classroom and say hello to their teacher. There will be a 'meet the teacher' meeting in September for more in depth information. As always this is an exciting time and children will naturally be nervous and feel a little anxious. Please keep upbeat and positive and we will do the same to ensure they have a lovely morning with their new class on Tuesday 2nd July!

A reminder for year 6 parents, you should have received information from the local secondary schools around the logistics of their transition day. All RBWM secondary schools will be leading their transition day on the 2nd July as well. Any pupils who are going to a grammar or different school outside of Maidenhead, their transition days will most probably be on a different date. Therefore, please send them into school at All Saints as normal, we will have a provision for the handful of children not on transition that day.

Yesterday, we had the pleasure of welcoming our Boyne Hill year 2 children for a picnic lunch and playtime on the adventure playground and field as they begin their transition activities. All of our pupils were really excited to meet the new year 3's for September and enjoyed playing with them! Mr Harris led the the new pupils with a story before heading back to Boyne Hill.

Last week saw our year 5's lead a lovely service on St Peter and St Paul. They cleverly re-enacted the stories of St Peter and St Paul, focusing on their journey to spread the teachings of Jesus as well as the lessons and values from those messages. The children performed and sang beautifully, linking the service back to our vision of 'satisfying you with good things' as well as our values of compassion, wisdom and responsibility. A big thank you to the team in year 5: Mr Thomas, Mr Green, Miss Arif, Mrs Sandhu and Mrs Cadle, who all worked very hard to prepare the children and choreograph a delightful service!

Have a lovely week and enjoy the weather!

John Mckrell

Deputy Headteacher

***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 - Class Owens



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### English

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In English this half term we have started looking at an adventure tale, 'Three friends and the rising tide'. The children have successfully challenged themselves to learn their new text map and have enjoyed being tested on it in class. This week the children have started to box up ideas of their own as they will be writing their very own adventure stories later this week. We can't wait to read them!



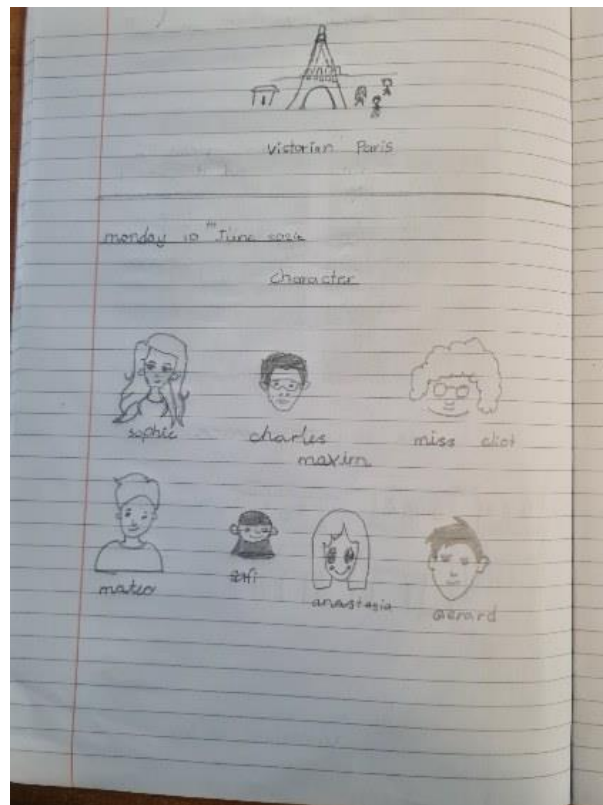


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## Reading

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This half term we are reading *Rooftoppers* by Katherine Rundell which the children are enjoying. We have looked at the setting, characters and plot to gain a better understanding of the story. The children have also been working hard to improve their comprehension by making inferences and retrieving key information from the text.



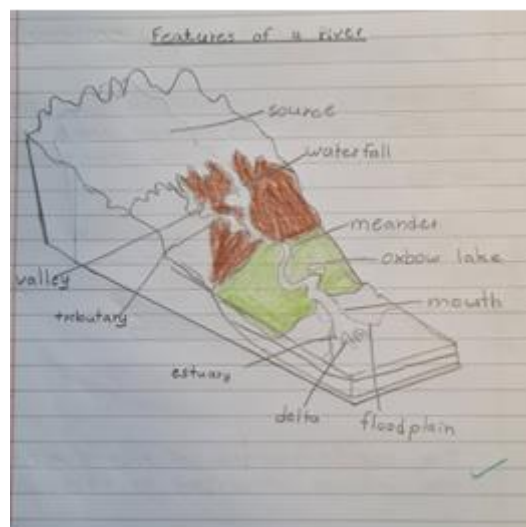


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## Geography

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For geography this half term the children will be looking at, what rivers are and how they are used. This week we looked at the features of a river and learnt the names of the different parts of the river. Next lesson we will locate rivers in the UK and some of the world's longest rivers.



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## DT

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Throughout this half term the children will be working towards making a torch with a working electrical circuit and switch. The children have built a simple series circuit with a switch that they made from cardboard, two split pins and a paper clip. They have also analysed and evaluated different torch designs and will begin designing their own torches next lesson.



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## *PE*

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The children have been practising to use a badminton racket to strike a shuttlecock with accuracy and control and to strike a shuttlecock in different ways, altering the distance the shuttlecock travels. They are very keen to attempt rallies with a partner and play matches against each other. They have even challenged the teachers for a match. We are also very fortunate to have Coach Cameron come in on a Monday afternoon to have a session with the children. The children have responded very well to Coach Cameron's style and are enjoying the sessions.



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### *Science*

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In science we are studying Electricity. So far, we have learnt about which electrical appliances use batteries and which mains. We have made our own circuits, learning that a circuit has to be closed for the electric current to run. Working in pairs, we have used our knowledge of electrical circuits to identify which objects and materials are conductors and which are insulators.

### **Well Done!**

This weekend was the final weekend of the Mid Bucks Festival. Maddie took part in a group ballet dance, and her group finished 1st getting the gold medal. They also won a trophy for the ballet group in her age group gaining the highest mark across the festival .

Well done Maddie.



## PE and Sport Update



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*Dance Company Auditions - Wednesday 3rd July*

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**Dance Company Auditions – Wednesday 3rd July in the small hall 12-1pm**

Calling all girls with an interest in dance and movement. You may already do dance or gymnastics out of school or just want to get started. You need to be in year 4-6 in September.

Now is the time of year Jane Douglass our Community Dance teacher in the Sports Partnership is looking for talented girls to join the wonderful Junior Dance Company – who showcase at the Primary Dance Festival in February.

This year she would like the dancers to prepare a short (max 2 mins dance) to show her. Either as a solo, duet or small group (max of 4). They would need to be able to tell her the music so she can find it on her iPad or if it is something unusual, they would need to bring it themselves. It should be a fun thing for them to do if they enjoy dance. During the audition they will be asked to show some basic dance skills.

If your daughter is interested, please ask the office, your teacher or Mrs Thompson for more details.

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### *Outside school activity opportunities*

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Maidenhead United Football Club have been running girls only sessions for the last 3 years, and we have had great track record in forming teams, generating a pathway for the girls to learn and have equal opportunity as the boys football sessions. They have limited spaces on their Tuesday evening Girls Sessions. Please contact them if your daughter is interested.

We have 2 sessions:

Tuesday, 4pm – 5pm, Year 1, 2 and 3

<https://ethicalticketing.org/maidenhead-united-in-the-community/event/544945758>

Tuesday, 5pm – 6pm, Year 4, 5 and 6

<https://ethicalticketing.org/maidenhead-united-in-the-community/event/312135501>



## Yearly Attendance Table

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Hadid	96.86%	1
Class Lovelace	96.10%	2
Class Shelley	95.88%	3
Class Hawking	94.97%	4
Class Attenborough	94.26%	5
Class Lindgren	93.69%	6
Class Owens	93.65%	7
Class Aquino	93.24%	8



STAR OF THE WEEK	
3.1 - Shelly	<b>H</b> has really impressed us with her bright smile, enthusiasm and caring nature. She is always ready to help in class, and takes personal responsibility for keeping our classroom a tidy learning environment.
3.2 - Lovelace	<b>Conor</b> has really impressed us with his focus, enthusiasm and effort in all his lessons, but particularly in Talk4Writing and Guided Reading this week. He listens carefully and is always happy to share his wonderful ideas using fantastic vocabulary. Well done and keep it up!
4.1 - Owens	<b>H</b> has impressed everyone in maths this week. He has learnt to interpret and present data using appropriate graphical methods, including bar charts, line graphs and pictograms. He can also confidently solve problems using information presented in different types of graphs. Well done and keep it up!
4.2 - Lindgren	<b>I</b> constantly demonstrates outstanding effort and dedication in his learning. Recently, I impressed us with his progress in Maths, especially when he persevered with challenging reasoning problems and engaged in group work to find solutions.
5.1 - Aquino	<b>Aquino</b> have demonstrated their capabilities. We were so impressed with how well they read their lines, acted and sang in the Peter and Paul service this week. They have all worked really hard to bring it all together. Congratulations!
5.2 - Attenborough	<b>Attenborough</b> has impressed everyone this week with their Peter and Paul Service at the Church! Well done everyone for learning their lines and singing beautifully!
6.1 - Hawking	<b>Charlie</b> has impressed us all with his consistent application of our school values in everything that he does. Charlie has pushed himself in all areas of the curriculum and should be very proud of his lighthouse painting. Well done!
6.2 - Hadid	<b>Esme</b> has impressed us with how she has been working with her peers this week. She is showing more willing and has been supportive when completing tasks. Keep up the good work!

## Messages and Reminders



## Sunny Weather

Reminder to apply sunscreen to your child before school and ensure they bring a sun hat and a water bottle every day.

## Lost Property



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

## Summer Clubs 2024

ALL SAINTS JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUB INFORMATION – SUMMER 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	15 <sup>th</sup> April – 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2024	uSports	£78.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Multipoints	Mon	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 5 & 6 by invitation	10 <sup>th</sup> June – 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	MNR Coaching	No Charge	Playground	1 hour	Reception
Science Club	Mon	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	22 <sup>nd</sup> April – 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Fizz Pop Science	£80.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Baseball Club	Mon	Lunchtime	Years 4 & 5	14 <sup>th</sup> May – 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Mrs Thompson	No Charge	Playground	30 mins	N/A
Nerball	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 5 & 6	23 <sup>rd</sup> April – 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Mrs Thompson	No charge	Playground	1 hour	Reception
Nerball	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Year 4	30 <sup>th</sup> April – 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Mrs Thompson	No charge	Playground	1 hour	Reception
Running Club	Wed	8.00 – 8.30 am	Years 3-6	5 <sup>th</sup> June – 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Running4everyone	£27.00	Field	30 mins	N/A
Football	Wed	12.15 – 1.15 pm	Years 4-5 Boys	5 <sup>th</sup> June – 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Maidenhead Magpies	No charge	Playground	2 x 30-mins	N/A
Football	Wed	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	24 <sup>th</sup> April – 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Maidenhead Magpies	Contact supplier	Maga	1 hour	Reception
Music	Thurs	1.00 – 3.00 pm	Years 3-6	TBC	ilRock	Contact supplier	Small Hall	2 hours	N/A
Sewing	Thurs	3.30 – 4.40 pm	Years 3-6	25 <sup>th</sup> April – 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Dhaga Creative Sewing	£93.50	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Athletics	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Y3&4 by invitation	2 <sup>nd</sup> May – 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Mrs Thompson	No Charge	Field/Hall	1 hour	Reception
Athletics	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Y5 & 6 By invitation	25 <sup>th</sup> April – 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2024	Mrs Thompson	No Charge	Field/Hall	1 hour	Reception
Growing Club	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	By invitation	TBC	Ms Nowaczyk	No Charge	Outside Lindgren	1 hour	Reception
Football	Thurs	12.15 -12.45pm 12.45 – 1.15 pm	Years 3-4 Girls Years 5-6 Girls	6 <sup>th</sup> June – 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Maidenhead Magpies	No charge	Playground	30-minute sessions	N/A
Dodgeball	Fri	3.30 pm – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	19 <sup>th</sup> April – 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	uSport	£84.50	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Cricket	Fri	3.30 pm – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	19 <sup>th</sup> April – 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	Berkshire Cricket	No Charge	Field	1 hour	Reception

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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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