



Parent/Carer Newsletter

16th October 2024



"Tough times never last, but tough people do."

Robert H. Schuller

Key dates for Parent/Carers

Wednesday 16th October

Y6 - School Photographer

absent due to 11+

Friday 18th October

Xmas4Schools Design

Deadline

Tuesday 22nd October

Last Swimming lesson

Class Aquino

Wednesday 23rd October

Year 4-6 Cross Country at

Altwood

Little Musketeers

Fencing Taster at School

Wednesday 23rd October

Open Evening

for prospective pupils

(5pm - 7pm)

Thursday 24th October

Non Uniform Day -

	for Malawi
Thursday 24th October	School Community cake stall
Thursday 24th October	PTA Quiz night 8.00 pm
Friday 25th October	INSET Day (School Closed to children)
Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November	Half term holiday
Monday 4th November	INSET Day (School Closed to children)
Tuesday 5th November	Term 2 begins
Tuesday 5th November	Swimming starts Class Attenborough
Tue 5th Nov & Thurs 7th Nov	Parents' Evenings (3.30 - 6.30pm)
Sun 10th Nov - Sat 16th Nov	Year 6 trip to Rhos Y Gwaliau
Thursday 19th December	Last day of Autumn Term - children finish at 1.30pm
Friday 20th December	INSET Day (School Closed to children)
Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January	Christmas Holiday
Monday 6th January	INSET Day (School closed to children)
Tuesday 7th January	Term 3 begins

Priority Messages

Dear Parents & Carers

We had another brilliant week at All Saints with classrooms buzzing with excitement and children engaged in their learning. Last week also saw the school enter two different sports festivals/competitions - 'Speed Stacking' and the 'Panathlon'. The Speed Stacking was a new and fun sport that required children to tackle different stacking challenges with cups and will be a resource we will invest in to use as another option for playtimes or 'wet playtimes'. The Panathlon was a lovely event last Friday where our children had a circuit of different sports to compete in. The children loved this and each received a certificate and a medal! Well done to all that took part.

Amazingly, we approach our final week of term next week (please check calendar dates) and there is a lot going on! First we will have our Year 2 Open Evening on **Wednesday 23rd October** and some children have or will be asked to volunteer in classes for demonstration lessons/activities. The children will only be needed for the lessons which will take place **between 5pm - 6pm**. As mentioned before, this a year 2 prospective parents event but all parents of the school are more than welcome to come in and have a look round as well. The headteacher talk at 6pm will be catered for prospective year 2 parents but ,again, current parents are welcome to attend should you wish.

'No Uniform For Uniform Day' - Finally, next **Thursday 24th October we will have a non- school uniform day** to raise funds for 'Changing Lives Malawi'. <https://changinglivesmalawi.com> We ask that **the children bring in £1 to wear their own clothes** on the day. The money raised will be used to ship our pre-loved uniform with the old school logo to the vulnerable children in Ibuluma, Northern Malawi, who are in desperate need of clothing. They are delighted that we have chosen them as charity to help and was selected after consulting last year's Head Pupils. Please do take a look at their website to see more information on the charity and other ways in which you can help.

We hope you enjoy the newsletter and we wish you all a lovely rest of the week.

Mr 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)

Thank you from Maidenhead Foodshare

A Letter from Maidenhead Foodshare to thank us for the Harvest Festival donations.

<https://www.allsaintsmaidenhead.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=514&type=pdf>



All Saints CofE Junior School

14 October 2024

Dear All Saints Junior School,

we want to say thank-you for the harvest festival donations we collected recently from you. We really appreciate this support, which is especially helpful as Foodshare is regularly helping over 450 people each week in the Maidenhead area.

We are busy at the food bank sorting through the large volume of donations we happily receive at this time of the year. Thanks to the goodwill of All Saints School and others we should be well-prepared to meet the rising demand for help from the charity through the winter months ahead.

We are grateful to everyone who donated.

With thanks and best wishes,

Lester Tanner & Debbie Gee
Trustees, Foodshare Maidenhead



Class Spotlight - Shelley



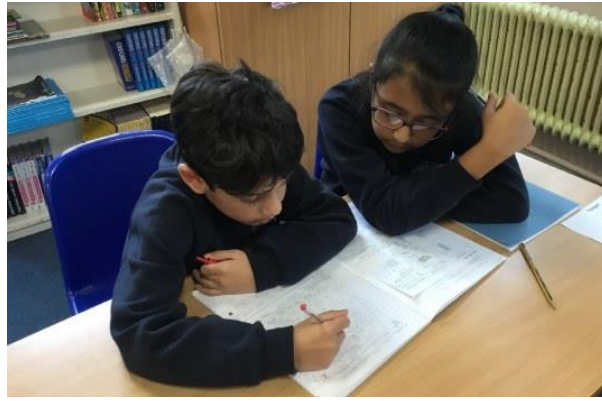
What a fantastic start at All Saints and in Year 3 for the children in Shelley Class. Although there were certainly some mixed feelings of worry and even possible sadness (to leave the summer holidays and parents behind) on the first morning, the children settled in very quickly, embracing their first school day with enthusiasm and thankfully all left with smiles at the end of the day. The children have had so many new routines to learn, ordering lunches, the Accelerated Reader Reading scheme and quizzes, Read Write Inc. Phonics every morning, presentation requirements in different books and so much more. As always though, the children have amazed us and have quickly adjusted to these new

routines, soon finding reassurance in them. Thank you too for the wonderful support at home from the onset – so very many children diligently doing homework, reading every night and completing their spelling homework and MyMaths tasks. Here are some of the highlights of this term.

English

In writing, we have been looking at Traditional Tales, and in particular, Little Red Riding Hood, to introduce the children to our writing scheme, 'Talk4writing'. The children have learnt the text off by heart and used a text map and actions to help them. Whilst learning the text, they have also practised targeted grammar concepts and have finally used innovation to write their own version of the story with their own created set of characters and story map (using the underlying structure of the original tale). We have just started our second text, Little Red Reading Hood, that gives the children additional insight into how authors can use a different take on traditional stories to tell new inspired stories.

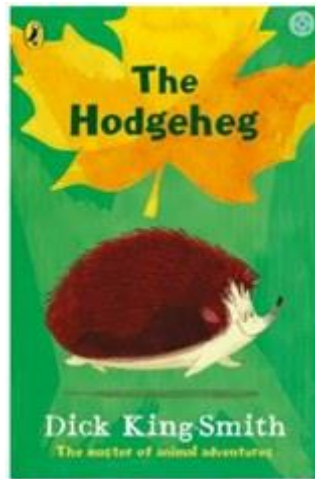




The children working together as partners to read and edit/improve their stories.



In reading, the children are thoroughly enjoying the book 'The Hodgehog', that tells the story of Max, a little hedgehog that is determined to find a way to cross the busy street, that he lives on, in order to feast on the worms, slugs, snails, mice, frogs and even grass snakes in the park across the road. Max has a number of failed attempts and gets bumped on the head many times but is a determined little hedgehog that does not give up. Will he manage to cross the road safely with the help of the 'Little Humans' (unbeknownst to them, of course)?

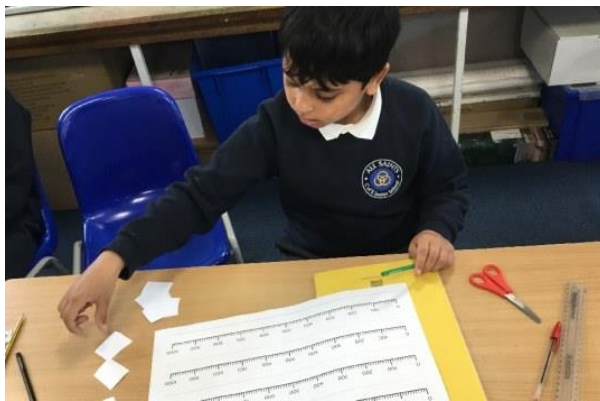
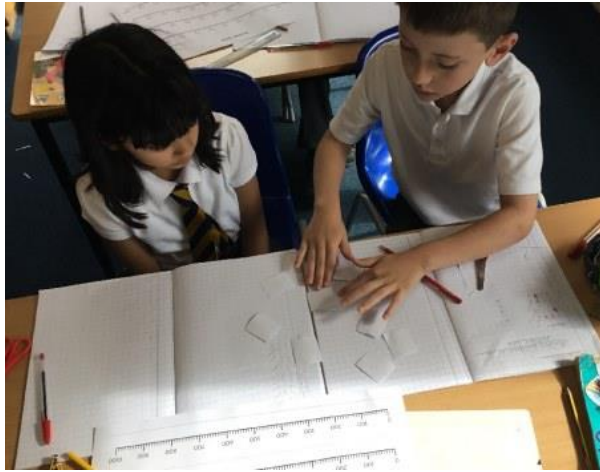


Wednesday, 18th September 2024
Cyclist talk about
Dear Diary,
Today, as I was cycling home,
the most weird thing happened.
I don't know how or why it was
on the pavement. When I saw
it from the distance I thought
it was a rat or maybe a mouse
but then at the very last minute
I realized that it wasn't a
mouse or a rat at all it was
a hedgehog! Oh no I have exactly
1 second to twist the handlebars
and stop pedalling but when I was
about to do it I looked down and
saw a dead hedgehog in the middle
of the pavement. I feel so sorry
for the poor thing.



Maths

This term, we have primarily focused on place value and the 2-, 5- and 10-times tables, consolidating and building on their Year 2 knowledge. We have used manipulatives to visually represent numbers up to 1,000, have partitioned numbers into hundreds, tens and ones, noting the place value that changes when adding 100, 10 or 1 and have placed numbers on the number line. This is the foundation of all number work and the MyMaths learning at home has supported this, thank you. Soon we will be starting on addition and subtraction, using both mental and written (column) methods.



Science

A term of exploration and experimentation as the children have been introduced to the topic of Magnets and Forces. The children have explored and recorded what happens when 'like' poles and 'opposite' poles are brought together, whether objects, made of different materials, are magnetic or non-magnetic and whether a magnetic force is able to pass through a selection of different materials. The children have, understandably, enjoyed it immensely and it has been hard to get them to stop exploring and experimenting. It has been lovely to see their excited faces as they discover the wonder of magnetism.

Bringing magnets together

Take some different magnets. Bring them together in different ways and record what you see happening in the table.

How the magnets are brought together	What happens
	it sticks.
	it pushes away
	if I use one, does not only push them to one side and it will stick you can't do it same side
	can't stick in a party it will stick

Bringing magnets together

Take some different magnets. Bring them together in different ways and record what you see happening in the table.

How the magnets are brought together	What happens
	It comes close it comes together it goes away
	They stick around
	They stick from each other

Wednesday 25th September 2024

My predictions:

- rubber
- wood
- plastic
- paper
- card
- metal
- iron
- aluminum
- glass
- oil
- water
- air

Our results:

- not magnetic
- rubber
- wood
- plastic
- card
- metal
- iron
- aluminum
- glass
- oil
- water
- air

My investigation plan

Write down the question you are investigating.

Write down what you think will happen.

Write down what you will do to find out.

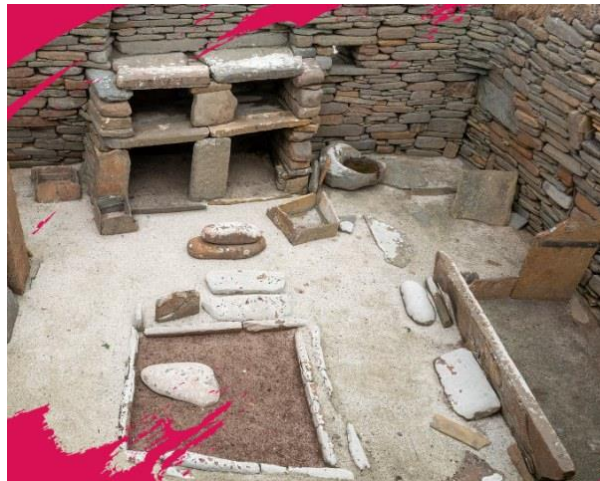
Write down what you will record.

Write down what you will conclude.



Topic: History

In History, we have been exploring the pre-historic period and comparing life during the Stone Age (Paleolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic periods), the Bronze Age and Iron Age. The children have learnt that, without any written evidence of this period, Archeologists make judgements based on the discovery of dwellings, settlements and artefacts during excavation. It has become evident to them that this does not always provide a full picture and that some deductions are made to understand life during this period. The children have been very creative though in thinking about what artefacts were made of, what they might have been used for and what it might tell us about the people that used them.





Art

An update from Mrs. Shaheen about Art this term.

This half term we have been exploring prehistoric art, recreating the style of cave artists using charcoal and natural pigments. The children have experimented with colour mixing, and creating large-scale artworks, enhancing both artistic skills and historical knowledge.





PTA - Events

Quiz & Raffle

Hello everyone

A reminder of the forthcoming quiz which will be held on Thursday 24th October at 8 p.m. Tickets are available through Scopay. A raffle will be held on the night, prizes include a £100 Amazon gift card. Donations for the raffle will be gratefully received, please drop in to the office or to Mrs. Sawle no later than Friday 18th October. Thank you as always for your continued support.

Best wishes

All Saints Junior School PTA



Xmas4Schools

The Xmas4School packs have come home! The packs contain a sheet for your child to do their drawing on. The reverse is a form for your details, and a parent's email and mobile number. All forms will be collected by class teachers and placed in an envelope, which I will collect on Monday Oct 21st and post back to the company. Once the sheet is processed, parents will be contacted by the company to place their orders and pay. They can pick the inside greeting or leave it blank at this stage. This is a lovely opportunity to raise money for the PTA and obtain personalised festive items. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask any member of the PTA/Mrs Sawle who will all be able to answer swiftly .

Thank you all for your support, PTA

PTA Quiz Night



School Community Cake Stall



Cakes/traditional sweet or savoury treat stall

Hello All Saints Parents /Carers

Would anyone in the school community be willing to organize and help run a stall for cakes, biscuits, and traditional sweet or savoury treats to celebrate Diwali and other religious celebrations?

The event will take place on Thursday 24th October, directly after school for no longer than an hour. A member of the PTA will be on hand to assist on the day.

If anyone is keen to help, please contact the All Saints Junior School PTA email address below:


allsaintsjuniorpta@gmail.com

Many thanks in advance

All Saints Junior School PTA

Reasons to volunteer with the All Saints PTA

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Support the school

Events held at school and funds raised enrich your child's learning and their school experience.

It's totally flexible

Everyone can get involved, it's not as much commitment as you might think. You can put in as much or as little time as you want.

It's fun & rewarding

Volunteering is a delightful and satisfying experience. Seeing the children enjoying events you've organised/ helped at makes it worthwhile.

Be better connected to the school

Create closer links with the head, teachers, staff and other parents. Gain a greater insight by seeing how things work from both sides.

Create lasting memories

Our children are at school for such a short time. They will remember the fun activities/ games we fund, learn using resources we buy and remember the events we hold.

Have your say

Provide your input into how to raise funds as well as how funds we raise should be spent.

Several parents/ guardians/ carers and grandparents who volunteered with us have moved on now their children have gone onto secondary school. We desperately need new volunteers to ensure that the All Saints PTA is able to continue.

Anyone linked to the school (including grandparents) can volunteer. We're always looking for fresh ideas and suggestions- the more the merrier!

If you can help, please email allsaintsjuniorpta@gmail.com

Football boot swap!

Did you know that Howden's on Maidenhead High Street run a football boot swapping shop? Take your old boots and swap them for another pair!



Asda Rewards - Cashpot for schools with Parentkind



Between the 2nd September and the 30th November, when customers shop with Asda using their Rewards app, they can choose a primary school to donate 0.5% of the value of their spend to. Plus, for every customer who chooses your school, Asda will put £1 into the cashpot.

If you go into your Asda app and go into Cashpot for schools you will be asked for the school postcode which is SL6 4AR it will then link with the school.

PE and Sport Update



News



Congratulations to the Sports Leaders, House Captains and Play leaders. They will be having their initial meetings and getting into action.

Events

This year has started off with 2 exciting events organised by Ascot and Maidenhead School Sports Partnership (A&MSSP) which we subscribe to for the benefit of our children.

Speed Stacking Festival

Last Wednesday a group of children from each year participated in this at Altwood School.

This was a fun and friendly festival, focussing on participation. Speed stacking is an individual and team sport that involves stacking nine or twelve cups in pre-determined sequences as fast as you can.

The aim of the event is to engage new audiences in physical activity and sport and support achievement of 60 Active Minutes for all. The event also aims to develop children's teamwork, self-belief and determination. This will be coming to school soon!





Panathlon – Friday 11th October

A small group went to Braywick Leisure Centre and had fun completing a circuit of physical challenges, focussing on Physical ME - Developing Physical Literacy & movement of the body. It is aimed at pupils who find movement competence challenging and need to develop their physical skills. Well done everyone you were great! Thank you to Mrs Ahmed and Miss Cadle who came with us.



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 Lovelace 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 Lovelace	99.09%	1
Class Owens	98.85%	2
Class Shelley	98.33%	3
Class Hadid	98.06%	4
Class Hawking	97.81%	5
Class Lindgren	96.67%	6
Class Aquino	95.74%	7
Class Attenborough	91.60%	8

Yearly Attendance Table

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Lovelace	99.04%	1
Class Shelley	97.99%	2
Class Aquino	96.15%	3
Class Hawking	95.87%	4
Class Hadid	95.45%	5
Class Owens	95.23%	6
Class Lindgren	94.82%	7
Class Attenborough	94.30%	8



STAR OF THE WEEK	
3.1 - Shelly	Alaaya has really impressed us by always being ready to learn and doing her best in everything she does. She takes responsibility for her learning, always. She listens attentively, is polite and also respects the adults and those around her. What a wonderful role model she is. Very well done!
3.2 - Lovelace	E has really impressed us with his focus, enthusiasm and effort in our English lessons this week. He has enjoyed reading The Hodgeheg and participated excellent ideas to our 'Little Red Reading Hood' story. He has also participated well in our PE lessons. Well done and keep it up!
4.1 - Owens	Athena has impressed us all with her high standard of presentation in all subjects but particularly in her writing and art. She always gives 100% and ensures that she is doing her best. Well done!
4.2 - Lindgren	T has shown remarkable enthusiasm in his learning across all subjects. He has consistently made a great effort to achieve his best and has followed his teacher's instructions with positive attitude.
5.1 - Aquino	Abdurrahman has put in excellent effort into his writing. With each different writing activity he takes on he tries his hardest to improve. He has taken on the feedback given, and used it to make his writing better. We are looking forward to reading your finished innervation of our Diagon Ally text, along with the creative ideas that he has already shown us.
5.2 - Attenborough	Peter has impressed us all with his consistent good effort in all subjects. He applies himself to each task and has some fantastic ideas for his portal story.
6.1 - Hawking	Alfie has impressed us with his motivation to make right choices. He has been working more independently and we can see that he is determined to do his best this year! Well done and keep it up!
6.2 - Hadid	Shanvi has really impressed us this week with her work in all subjects: in computing she produced an excellent presentation about Ada Lovelace, in maths her knowledge of multiplying and dividing by the power of 10 was really strong and she has written two super paragraphs for her suspense story. Keep it up!

Messages and Reminders

Change to lunch menu - Thursday 24th October

On Thursday 24th October the school kitchen will be serving Fish and Chips

Medication Reminder



If your child requires medication during the school day could you please fill in a medication form from the school office. Then please leave the medication with the form at the office. They will then ensure the first aider in the class knows and they will administer it when required.

Thank you

School Uniform

Please ensure you name all school uniform including the new PE tops. Thank you

Lost Property



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

Autumn Clubs 2024

ALL SAINTS JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUB INFORMATION – AUTUMN 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	16 th Sept - 16 th Dec 2024	uSports	£91.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Science Club	Mon	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	16 th Sept - 21 st Oct 2024	Fizz Pop Science	£48.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Cross Country	Tues	12.15 - 12.45 pm	Years 3-6	8 th Oct - 22 nd Oct 2024	Mrs Thompson		Field	30 Mins	N/A
Indoor Games	Tues	3.30 - 4.30 pm	Years 4 - 6	24 th Sept - 10 th Dec 2024	Mrs Sawle	£35.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Netball	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Year 4 - 6	24 th Sept - 10 th Dec 2024	Mrs Thompson	£35.00	Playground	1 hour	Reception
Running Club	Wed	8.00 - 8.30 am	Years 3 - 6	18 th Sept - 11 Dec 2024	Running4everyone https://forms.gle/XSRdDYLQTgeiagbaA11	£49.50	Field	30 mins	N/A
Football	Wed	12.15 – 1.15 pm	By invitation	25 th Sept - 11 th Dec 2024	Maidenhead Magpies	TBC	Playground	2 x 30-mins	N/A
Football	Wed	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	11 th Sept - 11 th Dec 2024	Maidenhead Magpies	Contact supplier	Field	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	12 th Sept - 5 th Dec 2024	Dhaaga Creative Sewing	£108.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Badminton	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Year 5 & 6	26 th Sept - 12 th Dec 2024	Mrs Thompson	£35.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Cricket	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 4 - 6	19 th Sept - 24 th Oct 2024	Berkshire Cricket	TBC	Playground	1 hour	Reception
Growing Club	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	12 th Sept - 12 th Dec 2024	Ms Nowaczyk	£5 per term	Outside Lindgren	1 hour	Reception
Football	Fri	12.15 -1.15 pm	By invitation	27 th Sept - 13 th Dec 2024	Maidenhead Magpies	TBC	Playground	2 x 30-mins	N/A
Dodgeball	Fri	3.30 pm – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	13 th Sept - 13 th Dec 2024	uSport	£91.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Art Club	Fri	3.30 pm - 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	13 th Sept - 6 Dec 2024	Art Peek	£100.80	Classroom	1 hour	Reception

Running Club link

<https://forms.gle/X5RdDYLQTgeiagbaA>

Sport Activity Flyers



Fun netball-packed day with some spooky themed games and activities. So if you're a Ghoul Attack or a Bat-Wing Defence and want to play a bit more netball over the October Half term BOO-k on now!

Ages: 9-11

Cost: £35 for England Netball members and £40 for non-members



Thu 31st October 2024
10:00am - 3:00pm
Bracknell Leisure Centre
RG12 9SE

Contact for booking:
debbie.spindlow@englandnetball.co.uk







Join us for an exciting opportunity to have fun & be active with your kids. Laugh & bond while getting Fit Together through exercise & sports games.

Saturdays 11.30am-12.30pm
***£5 each per session**
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 Maidenhead, SL6 3GW

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 Certified Gym Instructor & Personal Trainer
 Bootcamps - Legs,Bums & Tums -Sports Birthday Parties - Parent & Baby Classes

The Baby Bank



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