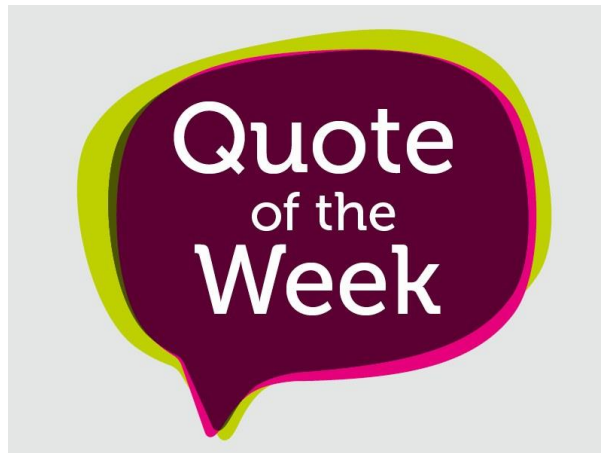




Parent/Carer Newsletter

23rd October 2024



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

Robert H. Schuller

Key dates for Parent/Carers

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 - Postponed
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 21st November	PTA Quiz Night 8 pm
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

Amazingly, we have come to the end of the first half term and we have been delighted with the way the children have started this academic year. All pupils and classes have settled well and enjoyed learning the curriculum, from the class books in guided reading to the various units of work in different subjects. We have continued our high participation in sports competitions and festivals with many pupils already getting the opportunity to represent All Saints. This will continue throughout the year and we will continue to target as many different pupils to take part in these excellent events.

The children today experienced a taster session of fencing in the main hall with all classes getting an opportunity with an expert coach, who taught them the correct stance, grip and fencing tactics! It looked great fun and many of the children loved the chance to have a go at a sport that is not easily accessible. Off the back of this taster session we will be offering a new fencing club after school so please do look out for communication from Mrs Thompson!

This evening, we are open from 5pm to all prospective and current parents for our 'Open Evening', we have many children volunteering in classes to showcase different subjects taught in school and to give a small taste of the curriculum offer. Please do come along if you can to have a look round the school and chat to the staff. The headteacher talk at 6pm is more suitable for new year 2 parents and will be information current All Saints parents will already know.

Finally, a few reminders before we finish the term. Firstly, please check the school diary to see that we have **Inset days on Friday 25th October and Monday 4th November**. The children will finish Thursday 24th October and return Tuesday 5th October. Tomorrow we have a non-school uniform day to raise money for Malawi schools we have contact with through 'Changing Lives Malawi' charity - a £1 donation is all that is needed for children to wear their own clothes. Buckets will be on the gates in the morning!

We hope you enjoy the newsletter and have a restful half term break!

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)

Class Spotlight - Owens



Class Owens have been studying States of Matter in Science. They have learned a rap to remember the three states and this week have been observing puddles evaporating and creating a model of the water cycle in the classroom.

We have been completing our Suspense stories in Talk 4 Writing.





Owens Class are finishing their class book Varjak Paw this week. We have loved the story and have been completing our book talk and illustrations of the characters.

In RE and Art we have been thinking about Harvest. We looked at Renoir's painting of the harvest Les Fruits du Midi and then drew and painted fruits from a plate of similar fruits in our classroom.





Hedgehog House Competition

Hedgehog House Competition: Help Our Spiky Friends This Winter!

Exciting news from the Eco Committee! As part of our ongoing efforts to encourage wildlife on our school grounds, the children have come up with a fantastic idea: helping hedgehogs safely hibernate through the winter.

While we already have plants for pollinators, bird feeders, and plans for bug hotels in the spring, it's now time to focus on our hedgehog friends. The committee has decided to launch a **Hedgehog House Competition**! We're inviting all pupils and their families to join us in building cozy homes where hedgehogs can safely rest until spring.

We'd love for everyone to support this initiative by building a hedgehog house and bringing it to school for the competition after the half-term holiday. All entries will be judged by the Eco Committee, along with Mr. Green, our Design Technology leader, on **Friday 8th November**. The winning house will be placed in our school's wild eco-garden, providing a safe space for hedgehogs to hibernate.

But don't worry, the fun doesn't end there! All other houses will be sold to parents who wish to give a hedgehog a home in their own gardens. The money raised will go towards purchasing a **wildlife camera** with night vision, so we can observe and learn more about the hedgehogs that settle into our eco-garden.

How to Enter:

- Build your hedgehog house and bring it to school for the competition
- £5 suggested donation (or any amount you can contribute via Tucasi) to support the purchase of the wildlife camera
- All houses must be delivered by **Friday 8th November 2024** to Mr Green or Mrs Nowaczyk

For tips and information on how to build the perfect hedgehog home, check out The British Hedgehog Preservation Society Hedgehog Homes page at [\[britishhedgehogs.org.uk\]\(https://britishhedgehogs.org.uk\)](https://britishhedgehogs.org.uk).

Let's work together to give hedgehogs a warm and safe winter! We look forward to seeing all your fantastic creations.

Sincerely,

The Eco Committee

PTA - Events

Quiz & Raffle

PTA Quiz Night

Hi everyone

Due to the overwhelming number of messages we've received from people who would love to attend the quiz, but are unable to do so due to its proximity to half term holidays, the PTA has taken the difficult decision to postpone.

The revised PTA quiz night will go ahead on Thursday 21st November. Same time (8pm) and same format!

We're hopeful this will encourage more people to attend and mean the event is even bigger and better than it has been in previous years.

For those that have already purchased tickets, rest assured that your ticket will be transferred to and valid for the new date. If you are unable to attend on the new date, please contact the PTA directly via allsaintsjuniorpta@gmail.com who will be able to issue you with a refund.

Thanks again for your support of the PTA and let's make the 2024 PTA Quiz Night the best one yet!

Kind regards,

All Saints PTA

Copas Christmas Turkey offer



All Saints Junior School PTA

Hi everyone

Why shouldn't you sit next to a turkey at dinner? Because he will gobble it up!

However, if you would like to turn the table and get a juicy turkey for your festive supper, why not enjoy this in the knowledge that you have helped raise money for the school's PTA fund.

If you are ordering a turkey this year, please consider ordering from Copas using the code in this flyer at checkout... ASJMPTA24



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Thank you all for your continued support.

All Saints PTA

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

Halloween Costume Swap



The costume swap is back this year at Maidenhead, Dedworth, Boyn Grove and Cookham Libraries. You can pick up, swap or donate pre-loved costumes in time for Halloween.

The swap starts from 4pm on Friday

25 October. Please can any donations be dropped off to any of the above libraries between first and 25 October.

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



Yearly Attendance Table

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Lovelace	98.85%	1
Class Shelley	97.98%	2
Class Aquino	96.40%	3
Class Hawking	96.07%	4
Class Hadid	95.41%	5
Class Owens	95.14%	6
Class Lindgren	94.80%	7
Class Attenborough	94.67%	8



STAR OF THE WEEK	
3.1 - Shelly	Haydn has really impressed us with his fantastic effort this week in everything and his readiness to learn. This has especially been evident in Maths, where he is quietly working very hard, asking for help when he needs it and takes immense pride in his work. He is polite and respectful and has given it his all. Very well done!
3.2 - Lovelace	Haider has really impressed us with his focus and effort in all of our lessons, particularly in Maths this week. He has worked independently and asked for help if he needed it. He always has a lovely smile and is a delight to teach. Well done and keep it up!
4.1 - Owens	Shams has impressed us all with her hard work in all subjects but particularly in Maths where she has applied herself to understanding subtraction with exchange. Shams has also been pushing herself to speak out confidently in class. Well done
4.2 - Lindgren	Saydee has been very kind and friendly, showing compassion when working with her peers. She has also made great effort to achieve her best in every subject.
5.1 - Aquino	Onali we have been really impressed by the effort that she has put into her writing this week. Producing some excellent and well drafted innovation of the text. This week exemplifies the dedication she has put into all her work and lessons. Well done and keep it up!
5.2 - Attenborough	Arjan has impressed everyone this week with his attitude to writing. He has written an interesting portal story about Cole Palmer and Messi which we found very entertaining! Well done!
6.1 - Hawking	Zunairah has impressed us this week for showing kindness towards another child, who has been feeling lonely and sad. She has shown compassion and friendship in a time of need! Well done and keep it up!
6.2 - Hadid	T has really impressed us this week with his hard work and dedication in lessons. In maths he has worked hard to learn short division and apply this to problem solving questions. In Talk4Writing he has constructed an excellent story that creates suspense by using the techniques from the toolkit. Well done and 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/XSRdDYLQTgeiagbaA1	£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

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