



Parent/Carer Newsletter

6th November 2024



“Just because it’s what’s done doesn’t mean it’s what should be done!”

Cinderella

Key dates for Parent/Carers

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 14th November

PTA AGM - 8pm
via Zoom

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,

First of all, welcome back and we hope you all had a lovely half term break! This term has a lot going on so please do keep a close eye on the school diary each week in the newsletter. The children will begin new writing units, books and topics within different subjects and some year groups will have visitors or even head out on visits to enrich their experience of the curriculum.

We started our first day back with an assembly with Father Jeremy at All Saints Church to recognise and celebrate All Saints Day which takes place on the 1st November. Father Jeremy spoke about compassion, kindness and being a good person - all of which are traits of a saint. We looked at saints such as St Francis of Assisi and St Therese of Lisieux and could see how they lived their lives thinking of others. Select children in year 6 spoke about us as a school leading saintly lives and highlighted the many compassionate acts our community has displayed over the past year - from raising money for Alexander Devine, donating food and clothing to various charities, to our Eco council leading campaigns and our school to become more sustainable. It really did shine a light on the amazing generosity and compassion shown by our school community to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

This first week back also sees the whole school taking part in an inter house netball competition, with each year group competing in their houses against each other throughout the week. Tuesday and Wednesday has seen our year 6's and year 4's take part in matches with year 3 and year 5 taking part on Thursday and Friday. The children have really enjoyed playing the matches so far and have especially enjoyed the competitive element! By next week, we will announce the winning house from each year group and through a point system we will announce the overall winning house for the entire school!

Today our sports leaders from year 6 began their training with Mrs Thompson to become confident sports leaders/ambassadors for the school. Over the next 5 weeks they will develop their leadership skills and empower them to lead games/sports at playtimes. This morning they were introduced to speed stacking and will be able to lead this with classes during wet playtimes and outside on warmer days. We look forward to seeing what they will learn and help our pupils enjoy playtimes even more!

Finally, this week we are holding parents' evening on Tuesday and Thursday. If you have not booked an appointment please do so by contacting the school office. We hope the meetings have been useful and will give you an insight into the work the children are doing in school. A reminder that signing up to SeeSaw will give you a great opportunity to see what happens in class on a weekly basis, if there are still issues, please do let us know and we will support you to get signed up and accessing the new home learning platform.

We hope you enjoy the newsletter and have 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)







Class Spotlight -



Back next week

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

PTA Quiz Night

Reminder: Quiz Night Thursday 21st November

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

We're hopeful the new date will encourage more people to attend, and the event will be 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 school office or the PTA directly via allsaintsjuniorpta@gmail.com who will be able to advise on a refund.

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

More details to follow.

Kind regards

All Saints PTA

PTA AGM

Hi everyone,

The annual PTA AGM will be held via Zoom at 8 p.m. on Thursday 14th November and everyone is welcome to attend. Please join using the link below:

<https://mcgrawhill.zoom.us/j/89558538877?pwd=pAYzgCOBSaPwbTD2vcyDC2IJVfN3m9.1&from=addon>

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

The PTA

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



BERKSHIRE ESTD 1957 ENGLAND
COPAS
VERY VERY SPECIAL TURKEYS

Christmas PTA Fundraiser!

Order an award winning turkey from Copas and raise funds for All Saints Junior School!

Simply enter the code ASJMPTA24 at checkout and Copas Turkeys will donate 5% of your order value to the school PTA.

WWW.COPASFARMSHOP.CO.UK
CALL: 01628 499 980

Raise funds and enjoy an award winning turkey!

Thank you all for your continued support.

Reasons to volunteer with the All Saints PTA

Reasons to volunteer with
the All Saints PTA



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

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 too 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



Attendance



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 Shelley 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	95.45%	1
Class Hadid	94.76%	2
Class Owens	93.72%	3
Class Shelley	90.62%	4
Class Attenborough	89.90%	5
Class Aquino	89.73%	6
Class Lindgren	87.50%	7
Class Hawking	84.77%	8

Yearly Attendance Table

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Lovelace	98.56%	1
Class Shelley	97.00%	2
Class Hadid	95.19%	3
Class Aquino	95.16%	4
Class Owens	94.60%	5
Class Hawking	93.91%	6
Class Attenborough	93.77%	7
Class Lindgren	93.57%	8



Back next week!

Messages and Reminders

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	11 th Nov – 9 th Dec 2024	Fizz Pop Science	£40.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Fencing Club	Tues	7.45 – 8.30 an	Years 3-6	5 th Nov – 10 th Dec 2024	Little Musketeers	£48.00	Small Hall	45 mins	N/A
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/X5RdDYLQTeiagbaA11	£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
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

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