



# Parent/Carer Newsletter

20th November 2024



"The most important thing in life is to stop saying 'I wish' and start saying 'I will'. Consider nothing impossible then treat possibilities as probabilities."

**Charles Dickens** 

# **Key dates for Parent/Carers**

Wednesday 20th November	Year 3 visit to
	Boyne Grove Library
Thursday 21st November	Year 4 - Walk to
	Stubbings Nursery
Thursday 21st November	PTA Quiz Night
	8 pm
Wed 27th - Fri 29th November	Book Fair
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas Unwrapped
	Hadid 1.30-3.00pm
Thursday 5th December	Christmas Unwrapped

	Hawking 10.15-12.00pm
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Lunch
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,

This week our class spotlight will be slightly different as we focus on the year 6 cohort that attended the Rhos-Y-Gwaliau residential trip! Please do scroll down to read that and see a few amazing pictures!

This week saw a selection of pupils take part in the Invictus Games for year 5&6. This competition/festival is there to target children who have not represented the school for sporting activities and was a great opportunity for them to experience competition and working a team. The afternoon involved the children taking part in a carousel of activities that was required both team effort and individual challenges. The children had a brilliant time and loved representing our school for this festival. Thank you as always to Mrs Thompson who organises our teams to represent All Saints and to Mrs Ahmed who went with the children to support them.

Last week we set up donation buckets for Children In Need and are pleased to say that we have raised just under £300 for the charity. Thank you to anyone who donated!

This week we have both Years 3 & 4 heading out on visits! Year 3 all visited Boyn Grove library to find out how it worked and were able to select a book to take out and read for pleasure. It is a great idea for the children to see their local library in action and learn how to

use it to benefit themselves going forward. Throughout the year, year 3 will return to Boyn Grove library for more talks and opportunities to borrow new and exciting books! Tomorrow on Thursday 21st, year 4 will head out to explore the Thicket woodland and Stubbings for their local Geography study this term.

On Saturday we had children from All Saints represent us for the Maidenhead Rotary Lions Talent Show! This took place at Furze Platt Senior School alongside many other schools in the area. The show was the first of its kind organised by Maidenhead Rotary Club and was raising money for the Alexander Devine Hospice. After many auditions, we selected three different acts to go through to the competition. We had Maddie Bates (solo dance routine), Alaaya and Amal Aftab (comedy routine!) and Amelie Couillart and Ayat Waqas (paired dance routine). All three acts were fabulous and all got a rousing ovation at the end! It was a great event and we will be entering again next year!

And finally, please do scroll down to see the details of the PTA quiz taking place on Thursday evening at All Saints. This is always great fun and some lovely prizes are on offer!

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 - Rhos - Y- Gwaliau!



Last week most of our year 6 cohort spent an incredible week at Rhos-Y-Gwaliau in North Wales. This is our annual residential trip for year 6 which many other schools in the Maidenhead area go on at various times through the year.

It was another fantastic and successful week as all children who attended the trip faced great challenges and overcome fears. Challenges varied from being away from home for the first time, trying new food, having more independence/responsibility to conquering a fear of heights! Our children were amazing and met these challenges head on with the support of the Rhos instructors and the adults from All Saints that went with them. The children have come back beaming with pride, excitement and full of wonderful stories!

Throughout the week the children took part in outdoor educational activities such as mountain climbing, canoeing, gorge walking, slate mine exploration, Via Ferrata (rock climbing) and navigation challenges across the countryside. With each group there was a highly qualified instructor to guide the children through the various activities and learnt about the geography and history of the area.







We are all really proud of the children and their achievements; each one gaining greater independence, confidence and new friendships along the way. If you have a child in year 5, now is the time to start thinking about this trip next November! We cannot recommend this enough and have seen huge benefits for the children, especially when considering the children at this age group went through the isolation of the pandemic a few years ago. In the new year we will set up the first meeting the Rhos trip in 2025 and encourage all parents to attend to ask questions and find out more.

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to the staff that went along with the children, who all gave up their time to support with the trip. As you know this a 24 hour provision and is incredibly tiring as well as fulfilling!

A big thank you to Mr Harris, MIss Nowaczyk, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Ifteker!





Alexander Devine Children's Hospice Christmas Appeal



In Year 5 we will be working to Support Alexander Devine Children's Hospice and we will be carrying out various activities to raise funds for them.

You may already be aware, but each year Alexander Devine runs a Christmas Appeal there is lots of information about how you can help at home this season with activities and events that you can take part in. I thought I'd share some information here about the work they do and the difference they make to the lives of the children they support. If you want more information, or you would like to donate directly, then you can follow the link <u>here</u>.

Thank you Mr Green

#### Black Friday Flash Sale on Uniform



# **PTA - Events**

#### PTA Quiz Night

#### Hello everyone

A reminder of the forthcoming quiz which will be held on Thursday 21st November 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 Tuesday 19th November.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Best wishes

All Saints Junior School PTA

#### 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 <u>allsaintsjuniorpta@gmail.com</u> 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

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.

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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 diner? 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.

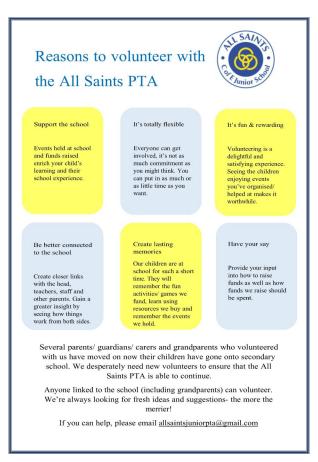
If you are ordering a turkey this year, please consider ordering from Copas using the code in this flyer at checkout... ASJMPTA24



Thank you all for your continued support.

All Saints PTA

Reasons to volunteer with the All Saints PTA



Asda Rewards - Cashpot for schools with Parentkind



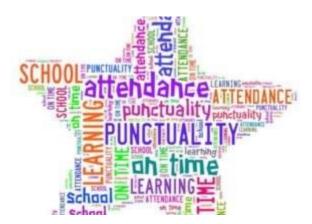
Between the 2nd September and the 30th November, when customers shop with Asda using their Rewards app, they can choose a primary school too donate 0.5% of the value of their spend to. Plus, for every customer who chooses your school, Asda will put £1 into the cashpot.

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 Attenborough 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 Attenborough	99.17%	1	
Class Hawking	99.02%	2	
Class Shelley	98.33%	3	
Class Hadid	98.06%	4	
Class Owens	97.04%	5	
Class Lovelace	96.36%	6	
Class Aquino	95.71%	7	
Class Lindgren	87.67%	8	

# Yearly Attendance Table

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Lovelace	98.29%	1
Class Shelley	97.19%	2
Class Hadid	95.76%	3
Class Aquino	95.34%	4
Class Owens	95.21%	5
Class Hawking	95.09%	6
Class Attenborough	95.05%	7
Class Lindgren	92.68%	8



#### STAR OF THE WEEK

3.1 - Shelly	Zuraib has really impressed us all by trying so hard with his learning this week, and persevering, especially in Maths where he listened carefully to feedback and made the changes to be successful. He is always respectful, polite and ready to learn, a real role model for his peers. Very well done and keep it up!			
3.2 - Lovelace	Sienna has really impressed us with her focus in all of our lessons, particularly in maths. She has been working so hard adding and subtracting in 10s and is a wonderful partner to listen and talk through her answers and ideas. She is a wonderful role model. Well done!			
4.1 - Owens	Lila has impressed us all with her writing this week. She wrote a postcard as Stanley to his Mom in our class reading book, Holes. Lila consistently demonstrates our school values and always has time to help and explain things to others. Thank you and well done!			
4.2 - Lindgren	Louis has impressed everyone this week with his outstanding use of personification and onomatopoeia in his poem, showcasing his creativity, imagination, and skilful language. His poem truly reflects his talent and passion for writing. Well done and keep it up!			
5.1 - Aquino	Ruhani always works hard. In every lesson, Ruhani listens carefully and always makes the most of the time she has. She strives to complete every task to the best of her ability. As a consequence, she learns quickly and can easily apply her understanding and she aids others in doing the same. Keep it up!			
5.2 - Attenborough	Rehan has impressed everyone with his attitude to fresh start this week. He has been trying hard to focus in all lessons and is always helpful in class. Well done!			
6.1 & 6.2 - Hawking & Hadid	Kayla has impressed us with her postitve attitude towards her learning and being a role model to others with her exceptional behaviour. She is always kind and helpful to her peers and adults and is always smiing!			

# **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 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	uSports	£91.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Science Club	Mon	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	11 <sup>th</sup> Nov – 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	Fizz Pop Science	£40.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Fencing Club	Tues	7.45 – 8.30 an	Years 3-6	5 <sup>th</sup> Nov – 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	Little Musketeers	£48.00	Small Hall	45 mins	N/A
Indoor Games	Tues	3.30 - 4.30 pm	Years 4 - 6	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	Mrs Sawle	£35.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Netball	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Year 4 - 6	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	Mrs Thompson	£35.00	Playground	1 hour	Reception
Running Club	Wed	8.00 - 8.30 am	Years 3 - 6	18 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 11 Dec 2024	Running4everyone https://forms.gle/X5RdDYLQTgeiagbaA <sup>[1]</sup>	£49.50	Field	30 mins	N/A
Football	Wed	12.15 – 1.15 pm	By invitation	25 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	Maidenhead Magpies	твс	Playground	2 x 30-mins	N/A
Football	Wed	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	11th Sept - 11th 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 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	Dhaaga Creative Sewing	£108.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Badminton	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Year 5 & 6	26 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	Mrs Thompson	£35.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Growing Club	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	12 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	Ms Nowaczyk	£5 per term	Outside Lindgren	1 hour	Reception
Football	Fri	12.15 -1.15 pm	By invitation	27th Sept - 13th Dec 2024	Maidenhead Magpies	твс	Playground	2 x 30-mins	N/A
Dodgeball	Fri	3.30 pm – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	13 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	uSport	£91.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Art Club	Fri	3.30 pm - 4.30 pm	Years 3-6	13 <sup>th</sup> Sept - 6 Dec 2024	Art Peek	£100.80	Classroom	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!