



Parent/Carer Newsletter

26th March 2025



“I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.”

Thomas A. Edison

Key dates for Parent/Carers

Tuesday 25th & Thursday 27th March	Parents Consultations
Tuesday 25th & Wednesday 26th March	Class Shelley Parents Consultations
Tuesday 25th & Thursday 27th March	Knitted Chicks for Sale
Friday 28th March	Knitted Chicks on Sale
Friday 28th March	Collection of Mother's Day Gift
Thursday 3rd April	Year 4 Easter Service (2.30pm for parents @ All Saints Church)
Thursday 3rd April	Knitted Chicks for Sale
Thursday 3rd April	Easter Disco
	Years 3 & 4 - 4.30-6.00 pm
	Years 5 & 6 - 6.30-8.00 pm

Friday 4th April	End of Term 1.30 pm finish
Tuesday 22nd April	Pupils return to School
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 12th - Thursday 15th May	SATs Week
Friday 23rd May	Sports Day & Picnic Lunch
Monday 26th - Friday 30th May	May Holiday
Monday 2nd June	Inset Day
Tuesday 3rd June	Pupils return to School
Saturday 14th June	Summer Fair
Wednesday 23rd July	End of Term

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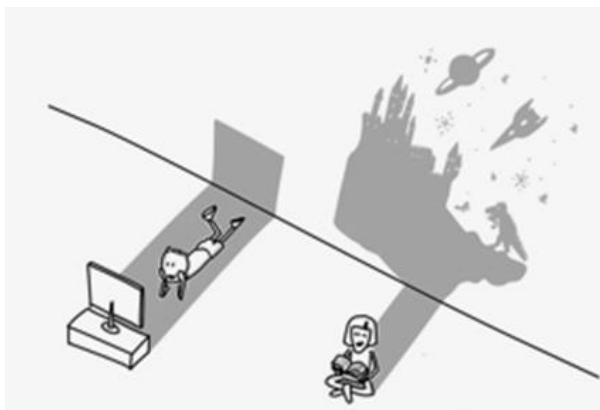
Priority Messages

Dear Parents/Carers

This week our priority message is a spotlight on 'online safety' and to simply raise a few questions for you to think about if your child has a smartphone or you are considering getting a smartphone in the near future!

Devices

We recognise that devices have become an integral part of our children's lives. While technology offers valuable tools for learning and connection, we encourage you to set limits on screen time to ensure a healthy balance in their daily routines. Reading is an irreplaceable activity that opens up a world of opportunities for our children. It stimulates their imagination, enhances their vocabulary, and fosters critical thinking skills.



With this in mind, and with smartphones very much part of the national conversation recently, I would like to remind you all that we have begun sending out a monthly 'Online Safety Newsletter' which has really useful information and very practical links to help with monitoring devices, practical advice and safety tips for you and your family. We hope you have found these useful and should you need any more information, please do get in touch with us via the school office.

Should children have mobile phones?

The Children's Society explore this important question in their recent blog titled "Should children have mobile phones?" The article discusses concerns such as excessive screentime being linked with mental health issues as well as the benefits of a child friendly phone rather than a smart phone. You can read the full article here:

<https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/what-we-do/blogs/should-children-have-mobile-phones>

Do you need help managing your child's device?

You can use Google Family Link or Apple Family Sharing to help you depending on your child's device.

Google Family Link

This is a free parental control app from Google that lets you:

- View activity reports showing how long they spend on each app.
- Approve or block new app downloads.
- Set screen time limits.
- Find their location.

You will need to download an app and then decide appropriate settings.

<https://families.google/familylink/>

Apple Family Sharing

You can set up Family Sharing in the settings of your device. Family Sharing allows you to:

- Share Apple subscriptions and purchases from the App Store.
- Approve what children purchase/download.
- Limit screen time.
- Share locations and find devices.

<https://www.apple.com/uk/family-sharing/>

Monitoring Apps (paid for)

In addition, there are apps that you can pay for that you may find provides a better solution for you. Whilst we cannot recommend/endorse a specific product, these are some examples that you could review and test using a free trial:

- Norton Family: <https://uk.norton.com/products/norton-family>
- Qustodio: <https://www.qustodio.com/en/>

Family Time: <https://familytime.io/>

Hopefully this information is helpful and please do look out for the next online safety newsletter next week as we move into April.

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 - Bikeability!



This week we have had our year 4's and year 5's take part in Bikeability, which is an excellent organisation that teaches children key skills to ride their bike safely. This includes: how to maintain their bike safely, ride safely with core riding skills and, crucially, learn how to ride their bike on the road safely. It's a brilliant initiative and an excellent way to safeguard children as they increase their independence through junior school. The children have been taking part in either level 1 or level 2 training and we know that each child has really enjoyed the session and learnt a great deal. We highly recommend parents to read up about the work Bikeability do and to keep an eye out when we offer places to children to take part. In the summer term we will be offering places for level 2 and level 3 training to year 6 so please do look out for that!

<https://www.bikeability.org.uk/>



Change to the Lunch Menu - Thursday 3rd April & Friday 4th April

Thursday 3rd April will be changed to: Fish Fingers and Chips or Vegan Sausage Roll and Chips

Friday 4th April will be changed to: Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Rice or Cheese and Broccoli Pasta with Garlic Bread

Jacket Potatoes are available both days.

SEND Update from Mr Parkin

As we are constantly looking for ways to support our children in their learning, we are sending 3 members of staff on a '@Colourful Semantics' training course. This will help us support those who are having particular difficulties in their writing.

'Colourful semantics is an approach that was created by Alison Bryan and is designed to support children develop their understanding of sentence structure and expand the length of their sentences.'



Bear cubs

Ages 5 to 10

First and third Monday of the month - 4pm to 5pm



16th June- Picnic in the Park - Bracknell

Registration:
Gems.4Health@nhs.net
0800 999 1342

Criteria:
Children with or likely to have
ADHD and/or autism and
living in East Berkshire



For more information: Call 0800 999 1342 or visit www.Gems4Health.com

<https://www.gems4health.com/> '

7th April - Lego Fun - Dedworth Library

21st April - Easter Monday - No session

5th May - May Bank Holiday - No session

19th May - Big on Bouncing - Slough (fee applies)

2nd June - Story Time - Langley Library

GEMS provides support for parents and carers in developing a better understanding of Autism & ADHD. Helping them to feel empowered to implement strategies within the home environment. We do this through workshops, courses, animations, and signposting to local and national services.'

PTA News

Mother's Day Treats

The PTA are helping our children treat those hard-working Mum's, Grandmother's and carers this Mother's Day.

We will be outside of school (weather dependent) on Friday 28th of March at home time giving the children their pre-ordered cards and gifts in readiness for Mother's Day.

Summer Fair

You may have noticed the evenings are beginning to get a bit lighter and with that the PTA are looking ahead to summer, and in particular our All Saints Summer Fair which will be held on Saturday 14 June (be sure to add that to your diary!).

In the lead up to the event, we'd like to ask for a little bit of support so that we can help raise a little more money - it is easy, we promise 😊.

In cooperation with a local estate agent, we would like to put up advertising boards outside houses in the catchment area to promote the fair for about six weeks before the event. These boards will advertise the summer fair and carry the name of the agency, and we get a cash payment for the PTA funds. We get paid to advertise - this is very unusual!

If you are able to help, all we ask is that you email the PTA on allsaintsjuniorpta@gmail.com and give us your address, and that's it!

We don't need any more information than that at this stage, but we may need to get a contact number from you later. We will not share any of this information with anyone other than the selected agent, and then it's only so that they can arrange for the board to be installed.

Thank you for helping!

Big Chick Knit



Alexander Devine's great Chick Knit is back! We had great success selling knitted chicks last year and we would like to do the same again. If you would like to support us in doing so there are a fresh set of Chicks ready to go pre stuffed with a chocolate egg treat. These will be on sale at the Parents' Evening this evening if you would like to surprise your children. Along with going on sale to the children after school Friday 28th March, and Thursday 3rd April. The stall will be located under the awning outside Aquino Class. All chicks are £3 each with all proceeds going to supporting the great work carried out by Alexander Devine Children's Hospice. For more information you can visit their website at <https://alexanderdevine.org/>





STAR OF THE WEEK	
3.1 - Shelly	Dyana has really impressed us with her determination and diligence with her reading and are delighted for her about the progress she has made. Well done for reading every day and doing quizzes frequently to ensure that you are improving and able to read more exciting and challenging books. Keep it up!
3.2 - Lovelace	Riches has really impressed us with her focus, enthusiasm and effort this week. She has completed all of our assessments with energy and concentration. She is always very helpful to all of the adults and is a fun and lovely friend to her classmates. Well done!
4.1 - Owens	Arlo has impressed us all with his hard work and focus this week during our assessments. Arlo should be very proud of his results, his reading and the kindness that he shows to others. You are a role model Arlo!
4.2 - Lindgren	Jamie has worked to the best of his ability this week, putting in great effort to stay on task, especially during the Reading and Maths assessment tests. His improved attitude towards learning has been evident, demonstrating increased focus and perseverance. Well done and keep up the great work!
5.1 - Aquino	Jannat has worked hard to improve her reading. Throughout the term we have seen her making greater efforts to improve her reading. Listening carefully and volunteering to read aloud during lessons. As a result, she has made lots of progress in both her Star Reader and test scores. Keep it up!
5.2 - Attenborough	Mohamed has impressed everyone with consistent hard work in all subjects. He could win this award every week. He focussed hard during assessment week and is a joy to have in the classroom. Well done!
6.1 - Hawking	Jesse has impressed us with his writing skills this week. We wrote diary entries, from the perspective of the chicks and Jesse wrote incredibly well, adding humour and the thoughts of the chicks in a well controlled and consistent manner. He showed signs of a great writer. Well done and keep it up!
6.2 - Hadid	Stanley continues to impress us with his drive and determination to improve. His maths results are superb and he has such a brilliant mathematical mind. Well done and keep it up

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 Owens 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 Owens	98.00%	1
Class Hadid	95.16%	2
Class Aquino	94.42%	3
Class Lovelace	94.40%	4
Class Lindgren	94.29%	5
Class Hawking	92.58%	6
Class Shelley	92.37%	7
Class Attenborough	88.33%	8

Yearly Attendance Table

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Lovelace	96.88%	1
Class Shelley	95.57%	2
Class Owens	95.37%	3
Class Hadid	94.85%	4
Class Lindgren	94.50%	5
Class Hawking	94.47%	6
Class Aquino	94.41%	7
Class Attenborough	92.80%	8

PE and Sport News



Events

Year 3/4 Girls Football Tournament – Friday 21st March





Maidenhead United organised a year 3/4 girls football tournament at St Piran's. Our year 4 team were very excited! I have to say, these girls were brilliant, some have been doing our lunchtime training session and some were put forward by their teacher showing great potential. Together they performed amazingly, scoring in every match. They are also getting used to being subbed off so everyone gets opportunity! Well done to you all and thank you to the parents who volunteered to attend as without them we couldn't have entered or wouldn't have had the photos!

Bikeability Y4 and Y5 – Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th March



The children re-capped the level 1 skills in the play ground before embarking on the road to do level 2. Congratulations to all the children who achieved their level 1 and 2. We are waiting confirmation of dates for the summer when year 6 will have opportunity to do level 2 and 3. There might also be opportunity for any year 4 children to do level 1.

Matches

Football A & B Team Matches HOME Wednesday 19th March



All Saints A 0:1 Furze Platt A

All Saints B 1:0 Furze Platt B

Football A & B Team Matches HOME - Thursday 20th March



All Saints A **3 : 0** Holy Trinity A Player of the match: T

All Saints B **4:2** Holy Trinity B Player of the match:Sibu

Football B Team & Girls' Matches – Monday 24th March



All Saints B **0 : 7** St Edmund Campion B

All Saints Girls **1 : 1** St Edmund Campion Girls Player of the match: Phoebe

Netball Match – Tuesday 11th February



At HOME against Courthouse, 6:0 to us.

We were a few players down so everyone had to endure the whole game. It's amazing how the players have improved over the season, the ball went back and forth and our shooters mastered some amazing jaw dropping shots. It was a fantastic win demonstrating the skill they have developed as a team. Congratulations to all and the players of the match were: Catherine and Henry.

In the summer term netball club will be opening up for Year 3 to start preparing them for games when they reach Year 5.

Girls' Football Team Matches - Wednesday 26th March



All Saints 4:0 Holy Port

All Saints 1:0 Furze Platt

A super performance from the girls and player of the match was Hafsa.

The football season is coming to an end with only a few more matches to play after Easter but everyone can carry on playing football at the after school club on Wednesdays with Maidenhead Magpies.

Activity Club Evaluation

Thank you to everyone who completed this form for the summer term, we have taken your views on board and hopefully have an exciting new programme for the summer term outlined below.

If you missed the opportunity and want your views to count for future activity clubs next academic year the deadline has been extended to **Sunday 30th March**.



Your views count - Activity Clubs for
your children 2025

<https://forms.office.com/e/6xHnRj8Epu>

Summer Term School Activity Clubs

All the clubs below are available for years 3-6 unless stated. Please look out for emails with booking information, which will all be collated and available on the website under extra-curricular clubs here: [All Saints Church of England Junior School - Extra Curricular Clubs](#)

Most clubs will only run if they have a **minimum of 10 children** attend so please book promptly to avoid disappointment. For the school run clubs you need to register your child on the form and then secure your child's place with full payment on Tucasi.

Monday PM – uSports Gymnastics

Monday PM– uSports Multi sports (to include: basketball, hockey and cricket)

Tuesday AM – Little Musketeers Fencing

Tuesday PM – school Soft Archery <https://forms.office.com/e/3ns7mbiTuz>

Tuesday PM – school Netball <https://forms.office.com/e/rAFLMwAmFh>

Wednesday AM – Running 4 Everyone, Running Club

Wednesday PM – Dance Company Dance TBC

Wednesday PM – Maidenhead United Football

Thursday AM – school Tennis Skills <https://forms.office.com/e/TQ1ZgVJYSe>

Thursday PM – Running 4 Everyone, Athletics Club

Thursday PM – school Quad Kids athletics training year 5-6

Friday PM – uSports Cricket

Tennis after May half term on Thursdays afterschool for years 5/6

In addition to the above some children in year 3-5 will be invited to attend the lunchtime football sessions. Some year 5-6 children will be invited to Quad Kids training on Thursday afterschool to prepare for the upcoming athletics event. Please keep a look out for letters and emails to register your child.

Thank you for your support to get everyone active.

VACANCY - Swimming Teacher Required

Are you or anyone you know a self-employed qualified swimming teacher who is interested in teaching swimming for 6 weeks in June and July one afternoon a week for 6 weeks between 1.30-3pm.

Requirements:

- Qualified swimming teacher
- Rescue Test for swimming teachers and coaches or equivalent
- Safeguarding

If you are interested please contact Mrs Thompson via the school office.


Swimming Hats

We are delighted to announce you can now buy a blue swimming hat on Scopay for a reduced price of £3.50. Year 3 can purchase one ready for the summer term.



HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR SWIMMING CAP

- ★ Rinse your cap thoroughly after each swim in clean water to remove chemicals and/or minerals.
- ★ Dry with a soft towel, then sprinkle inside and outside with a small amount of baby powder to prevent cap from sticking together.
- ★ Avoid contact with sharp objects, such as fingernails, hairpins, rings and earrings, teeth etc.
- ★ Care should also be taken when adjusting position.



Please be aware that we cannot be held responsible for damage caused by misuse.

Please put this on your club notice board to ensure all swimmers are aware of care instructions.

Easter Activity Camps & Fun Days

BHCC All Stars 2025

It all starts with...



We all play at:

Boyne Hill Cricket Club

Session dates:

Saturday 10th May- Saturday 28th June

Session timings:

9:30am-10:30am

Contact:
Jack Spencer-Jones- 07595463584,
jackspencerjones@yahoo.co.uk



Sign up today at
allstarscricket.co.uk



'We are excited to announce two new holiday clubs that are running this Easter here at All Saints Junior School and we would love to offer our All Saints children first chance to book a space!

On offer are a Running 4 Everyone Fun Athletics Camp alongside Artspiration Easter Craft Workshops! Try a whole day with one club, or swap over half way if your child would like to try a bit of both! Both clubs are led by our DBS checked club teachers Leila and Laura (Run Club and Sewing Club). Free lunchtime supervised play if you book any two sessions in one day. Please see attached posters for more information.'



Where: All Saints Junior School
When: Tues 15th & Weds 16th April
Time: 10am - 3:30pm
Cost: £25.00 a day (£12.00 half day)
Contact: leila@running4everyone.co.uk
Book: running4everyone.co.uk/courses

School years 3 - 6



Run

Fun Athletics Camp

Jump

Throw

England Athletics qualified coaches
DBS checked & safeguarding trained
Sports 1st Aid Level 3

Small Classes
of up to 12
Children

artspiration
Art Scouts

20% proceeds
go to local
Charity

Easter Craft Workshops!

Tuesday 15th April: 10:00-12:30. BLOCK PRINTING TOTE BAG!
Tuesday 15th April: 13:00-15:30. SEWING KEYRINGS!

Wednesday 16th April: 10:00-12:30. PAINTING A CANVAS!
Wednesday 16th April: 13:00-15:30. MARBLED / SPACE EGGS!



£27.50 a workshop. £55 a Day. Ages 7-11.
Free supervised lunchtime play.
All Saints Junior School, Westborough Road, Maidenhead, SL6 4AR.
To book and more info: artspirationevents@gmail.com



Drowning Prevention Week - 14th - 21st June 2025

TOM DEANS MBE SWIM SCHOOL
JOIN US TODAY
 NEWLANDS LEISURE CENTRE

- FREE PARKING
- PRIVATE POOL
- NEWLY REFURBISHED CHANGING FACILITY

📍 FARM RD, MAIDENHEAD, SL6 5JB
 🌐 WWW.TOMDEANSWIMSCHOOL.COM

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.

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