



Parent/Carer Newsletter

21st May 2025



"A warm smile is the universal language of kindness."

William Arthur Ward

Key dates for Parent/Carers

Wednesday 21st May	School Photographer Class Photos
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
Friday 6th June	Bags2School collection
Thursday 12th June	Growing Club Event 3.30 - 4.30 pm
Saturday 14th June	Summer Fair

Wednesday 18th June

Waltham Place

Lovelace

Thursday 19th June

Waltham Place

Shelley

Friday 20th June

Be Seen in Green Day

Tuesday 1st July

Year 6 Transition Day

Wednesday 23rd July

End of Term

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Dear Parents/Carers

This week we are all looking forward to Friday for our annual 'Sports Day', as the children compete in many different sporting events to decide our Sports Day winner of 2025!

After the sporting events in the morning, we will celebrate by having a whole school picnic on the field. So, the children can bring their packed lunch as normal or **have a school dinner grab bag**, but parents can also bring in food for the picnic if that is easier. Just a reminder that we are a **nut free school and have several children with nut allergies across all year groups**.

It'll be lovely to have as many from the school community as possible to join us and cheer the pupils on in the morning! I hope you can make it!

School will start at the normal time with registration at 8.45am. The timings for the day are as follows:

- 9.10: Gates open for parents – go to the office to sign in and walk out onto the field to wait for the children. Visitors can use the toilets throughout the morning in the small hall – they will be signposted!
- 9.15: Children will get to their stations ready for the first event and will move from station to station to compete for their houses within their classes. Visitors can follow the classes from station to station.

- 11.00-11.10: Finish events and move to the track. Children will sit inside the track; parents can watch on the outside of the track. Teachers/Tas will guide you. Some seating will be provided.
- 12.00 – 12.15: Finish track events and announce the winning house
- 12.15: Whole school picnic on the field (School dinners will be a Grab Bag option)
- 1.15: Blow whistle to finish lunchtime/Picnic. Parents will leave via field gate to sign out.
- 1.30: Children back in class
- 3.30: Home time

We are really looking forward to the day and fingers crossed the weather is kind! Any questions please ask the office.

Menu Change:

Friday's (23rd May) menu is now a Grab Bag option to coincide with the Sports Day picnic.

Which means Thursday (2nd May) will now have the Fish and Chips option.

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 - Lovelace



Even though we've had a short half term Lovelace class have been very busy and packed lots in.

Guided Reading

The Boy at the Back of the class has been a wonderful read and the children have been so invested in Ahmet and his story as a refugee boy arriving from Syria. They have written letters to the King imagining that they were a child in Ahmet's class, to ask for his help reuniting Ahmet with his missing parents. I have included a covering letter so that the King does not think there is an emergency he really has to deal with!

Talk 4 Writing

This week we are coming to the end of our warning story, The Canal. Children have worked really hard to adapt The Canal and write their own water warning story. The suspense they have created has been amazing and they've tried hard to include lots of high drama, emotion and a clear lesson learnt. We have been working on using the correct punctuation for dialogue so children should be able to spot this in their reading books.

Here is the plan if children would like to be creative over half term and write their own warning story. It could be set anywhere that you want children to think carefully about the

dangers and how to avoid them, making sure the characters learn their lesson! Ours are all water warning stories but they could be set on the cliffs, railway tracks or an abandoned mine for example.

Do get the children to bring them in after half term, we'd love to read them.

Structure and underlying pattern	Own Warning Story
Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Mac warned Tom and Tiree the old canal is dangerous. Mrs Mac is washing up. The boys signal they understood with a nod. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> They signal they understood with a nod.
Build-up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom and Tiree ignore the warning and go to the old canal. The water was still, black and deep. Although it looked dangerous, Tom was tempted and swung on the rope swing. Tiree was petrified. 	

Structure and underlying pattern	Own Warning Story
Problem <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiree had a go, the rope snapped and he fell in. He was in serious danger because he couldn't swim. 	
Resolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Desperate to save Tiree, Tom leapt in. He frantically looked for Tiree and tugged him to the side. Tiree lay on the bank gasping and wheezing like an old man. 	
Ending <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom and Tiree were safe and went back to Mrs Mac's kitchen. They were told off and grounded for one week. They learnt their lesson: the canal was dangerous, and they had nearly drowned. 	

Maths

Our perseverance with column addition and subtraction has really been paying off and the children have become so much more confident and ready to have a go. We are now looking at Mass and Capacity so hopefully you'll have some time over half term to get the kitchen scales out and do some baking! After half term we will finish looking at capacity and start adding and subtracting fractions.

Column Subtraction

a)	b)	c)
33 - 11 ----- 22	25 - 13 ----- 12	

2-Digit Column Addition

a)	b)
70 28 + 13 ----- 841	18 16 + 16 ----- 34

e)	f)
56 526 ----- 083	326 + 419 ----- 745
67 286 ----- 427	23 258 ----- 059

The image shows a worksheet with two main sections. The left section contains a diagram of three circles arranged in a triangle, with arrows indicating relationships between them. Below this are some text-based instructions. The right section features a grid of colored dots (red, green, blue, yellow) used for a counting or pattern activity. There are also some handwritten notes and numbers on the page.

Some blooming lovely work this term in our plants topic. We have been out observing and sketching plants in our school grounds, have completed a plant scavenger hunt and revised the conditions a plant needs to grow well. Ask your child how their group's plant is looking. Some are faring better than others – the one in the cupboard with no light and the one with no soil are looking particularly sad whereas the control plant is flourishing. We certainly seem to have some budding little gardeners so we hope they've been helping in the garden and watering any plants you may have around the house. Last week the children planted radish seeds, which over the weekend, have germinated and produced some little shoots and leaves. They will be bringing these home to be planted out and nurtured over half term. Please then pull them up and bring them in the second week back after half term, by Friday 13th June for judging on who has grown the biggest radish!

Naming and finding parts of a flowering plant







What will happen to these plants? We have taken away one condition that we think a plant needs to grow well from each plant. We are now observing them over time to see how they change.

No water

No

No

No air







Design and Technology

PSHE

In PSHE our topic is 'Relationships'. We have discussed the roles and responsibilities of the different members of our families and have reflected on the expectations for males and females. We have talked about the skills of friendships, for example taking turns and being a good listener. We had a lot of fun acting out some scenarios where the children needed to negotiate a 'win-win' solution. We have also talked about keeping ourselves safe online.

Music

In Music we have learned a song called 'Here come the Vikings!', recalling vocabulary such as timbre, ensemble, melody, notation and tempo. Next week we will look at the music notation in the song identifying crochets, minims and quavers.

ICT

In ICT we have been tinkering with Scratch. The children have experimented with different sprites and sounds and used repetition (loops) in the program.

Growing Club



Let's Grow Together

Dear Parents and Carers,

A big thank you to everyone who took part in our recent **Plant Swap**! Your generous contributions have brought a wonderful variety of new flowers and plants to our school grounds. With so many different species now growing, we're excited to see a boost in **biodiversity**, helping to create a healthier and more vibrant environment for both children and local wildlife. We're also delighted to invite you to our next Growing Club event, an open gardening session for parents and carers. Please meet on **Thursday, 12th June, 3:30–4:30 PM outside Year 4 classes**. This informal session will include a relaxed discussion on

“Horticulture and Mental Health”, with a chance to share ideas and experiences. Whether you’re a seasoned gardener or just curious, all are welcome. If you’d like to attend, please let the school office know so we can plan accordingly. Let’s keep growing together – for our children, our community, and our wellbeing.

Mrs Nowaczyk

Change to Lunch Menu on the 22nd May & 23rd May

Thursday 22nd May

Fish & Chips

Cheese & Tomato Quiche with Chips

Jacket Potatoes

Friday 23rd May (Sports Day & Picnic Lunch)

Grab Bags only - Cheese, Tuna, Ham or egg

Well Done!

Ellen was part of the Maidenhead U12 Girls team playing in the Woody's end of season tour over the weekend. The team won their final and had a wonderful weekend, with a fancy dress party where the girls and mums, dads and coaches all dressed as The Trolls!



PTA News

All Saints Summer Fair 14 June 2025

Hello everyone,

Save the date, it's the Summer Fete! Come and join in the fun! More details in the following weeks. We're looking forward to welcoming all the school community, families, and neighbours.

Many hands make light work so please sign-up to help at the Summer Fair. It's a brilliant afternoon and even if you can only spare 1 hour this would be hugely appreciated.

Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: volunteersignup.org/Q7CHP

To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

Thank you for volunteering!

Your PTA :-)





Get ready ASJS students, the Jazzy Jar stall is coming to the fete on 14th June!

Last year, the Jazzy Jar stall was the one of the most popular stalls we had and a great hit with everyone.

Get ready to be creative with your jars! Examples are attached. If you need jars, there will be a variety of sizes available from school shortly.

Looking forward to seeing your wonderful creations at the Summer Fete.

Many thanks

ASJS PTA

Jazzy Jars



On Thursday 5th June we are asking the children for Jazzy Jar donations. In return for their donation children will have a **non-school uniform day on this day**.

What is a Jazzy Jar? This is a clean empty jar with a lid. Or if you don't have one available a plastic pint glass with the top covered or in a small sandwich bag will do.

Please fill your jar with some exciting goodies, that you think children will like. Try to make your jar as 'jazzy' as possible so that it appeals to both boys and girls.

Here are some ideas:

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|--------------------|-----------|----------------|
| • Stickers | Crafts | Lego |
| • Key rings | Balloons | Top Trumps |
| • Hair accessories | Jewellery | Football cards |

- Pens Pencils Wrapped sweets
- Crafts Lego Erasers

You can decorate your jar with stickers, glitter, ribbon- the choice is yours!

There is no limit to the number of Jazzy Jars you wish to donate! The Jazzy Jars will be sold at our Summer Fair on Saturday 14th June 2025 to raise much needed funds for the school.

Please remember not to put nuts or food containing nuts inside your jar.

We look forward to seeing your Jazzy Jars on the 6th June!

Many thanks,

The PTA team

Bags2School

We have a bags2School collection on Friday 6th June.

Below is a list of items they collect:

Clothes, Paired Shoes, Handbags, Bags, Hats, Jewellery, Belts, Socks, Scarves and ties.

Items they don't collect are:

Duvets, Blankets, Pillows, Cushions, Carpets, Rugs, Mats, School Uniform, Textile off cuts, Furniture, large items and Batteries.

Extra Curriculum Clubs - Summer 2025

Below is a list of clubs we offer before or after school. Please book as soon as possible to confirm a place and to ensure the club goes ahead.

ALL SAINTS JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUB INFORMATION – SUMMER TERM 2025										
CLUB	DAY	TIME	YEAR	DATES	CLUB LEADER	COST	VENUE	DURATION	COLLECT FROM	
Breakfast Club	Mon-Fri	7.45 – 8.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	Mon-Fri	All Saints Junior School	£4.00 long session £1.50 short session	Hall	45 mins	N/A	
After-school Club	Mon-Fri	3.30 – 6.00 pm	Years 3 - 6	Mon-Fri	Sportsfields	Contact supplier	Small Hall	2hrs 30 mins	Small green table/flat	
Gymnastics	Mon	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	28 th April – 21 st July 2025 Excludes 1 st May & 2 nd June	vSport	£72.50	Hall	1 hour	Reception	
Science Club	Mon	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	28 th April – 19 th May 2025 Excludes 1 st May	Flat Pop Science	£24.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception	
Fencing Club	Tues	7.45 – 8.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	29 th April – 18 th July 2025	Little Musketeers	£80.00	Small hall	45 mins	N/A	
Soft Archery	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	29 th April – 19 th July 2025 Excludes 20 th May	Mr Maxwell	£35.00	Field	1 hour	Reception	
Netball	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	29 th April – 19 th July 2025 Excludes 20 th May	Mrs Thompson	£35.00	Muga	1 hour	Reception	
Running Club	Wed	8.00 – 8.30 am	Years 3 - 6	23 rd April – 19 th July 2025	RunningforEveryone	£45.50	Field	30 mins	N/A	
Football	Wed	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	30 th April – 19 th July 2025	Northwood Magpies	Contact supplier	Field	1 hour	Reception	
Chess	Wed	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	30 th April – 19 th July 2025	Chess Company	£20.00	Hall	1 hour	Reception	
Music	Thurs	1.00 – 3.00 pm	Years 3 - 6	24 th April – 13 th July 2025	iback	Contact supplier	Small Hall	2 hours	N/A	
Sewing	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	1 st May – 17 th July 2025	Chicago Creative Sewing	£99.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception	
Table Tennis	Thurs	2.45 – 3.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	24 th April – 21 st May 2025	Mrs Thompson	£15.00	Muga	45 mins	N/A	
Athletics	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	24 th April – 19 th July 2025	RunningforEveryone	£55.00	Field	1 hour	Reception	
Growing Club	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	24 th April – 11 th July 2025	Ms Nowaczyk	£5 per term	Outside (Ingleton)	1 hour	Reception	
Art Club	Fri	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	2 nd May – 11 th July 2025	Art Pack	£84.00	Classroom	1 hour	Reception	



STAR OF THE WEEK	
3.1 - Shelley	Abiya continues to impress us with her polite and respectful manner, her attentive listening and great learning behaviours, and her big, happy smile. She is a delight to teach and a fantastic role model too. Keep up the wonderful work that you are doing so diligently across all your subjects.
3.2 - Lovelace	Adnan has really impressed us with his focus and effort in all of our lessons this week. He has made an excellent start to his 'Danger Story' in English and has contributed good ideas in our Mass and Capacity lessons in Maths. He has a wonderful smile and is a delight to have in our class. Well done!
4.1 - Owens	Adele has really impressed us all with her focus and perseverance especially in her maths and reading. She should be very proud of her top score in our money assessment. It has been wonderful to have you asking and answering lots of questions in our class discussions. Well done!
4.2 - Lindgren	P has recently impressed us with her excellent attitude to learning, focus and resilience. She has worked to the best of her ability in every subject, especially in Maths when she used manipulatives to solve tasks related to money Well done and keep it up!
5.1 - Aquino	Teju takes great ownership of her learning. We are always continually impressed by the care, effort and determination that she puts into her work. Every day, she asks great questions that continually pushes her own understanding. This determination to succeed and reach her goals, we are sure, will bring great success in the future.
5.2 - Attenborough	Zahra has impressed everyone with her focus in all lessons this week. She has completed each task to the best of her ability and has shown a big increase in effort in class. Well done!
6.1 - Hawking	Hawking have impressed us with their fantastic attitudes towards their SATs this week! They have shown great resilience and determination and the level of maturity from each one of them has been amazing! They should all be very proud of what they have achieved!
6.2 - Hadid	Hadid have impressed all of us throughout this week. Every single pupil has shown great resilience, focus and motivation to do the very best they can in this year's SATs. We cannot ask for anything more than the effort they have all put in and they should be very proud of themselves!

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 Hadid 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

PE and Sport News



Summer Term Activity Clubs

BOOKINGS ARE STILL LIVE- SPACES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE CLUBS RUNNING BELOW.

All the clubs below are available for years 3-6 unless stated. Further booking information is available on the website under extra-curricular clubs here: [All Saints Church of England Junior School - Extra Curricular Clubs](#)

For the school run clubs you need to register your child on the form link and then secure your child's place with full payment on Tucasi please.

If your child attracts **PUPIL PREMIUM** you can sign up to one **school-run** activity club per term for free.

Monday PM – uSports Gymnastics

Tuesday AM – Little Musketeers Fencing

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

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

Wednesday AM – Running 4 Everyone, Running Club

Wednesday PM – Dance Company Dance

Wednesday PM – Maidenhead United Football

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

Thursday PM – Running 4 Everyone, Athletics Club

Unfortunately uSports had to cancel multi sports on Monday and Cricket on Friday. Watch this space for Tennis after May half term on Thursdays afterschool for years 5/6 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.

Bikeability – Coming back in June

All children in year 6 will be invited, so if your child isn't confident riding a bicycle maybe the Easter holidays will be a time to learn or practice.

L2 – Year 6

L3 – Year 6 who have already completed L2

Available spaces might be offered to year 5, otherwise there will be opportunity to complete these courses next academic year including L1 for year 4. More details will be communicated next term.

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.



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!
