



All Saints News

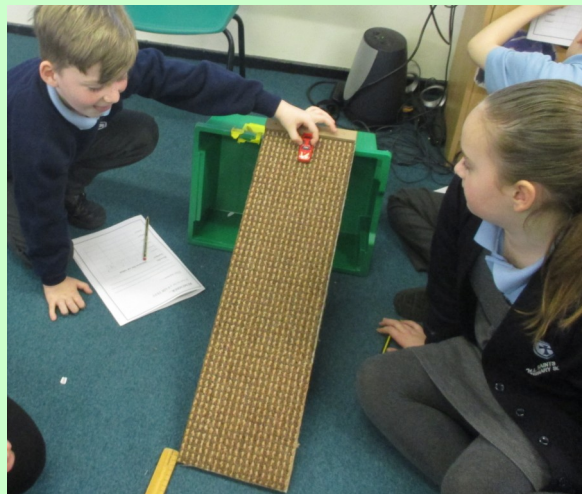
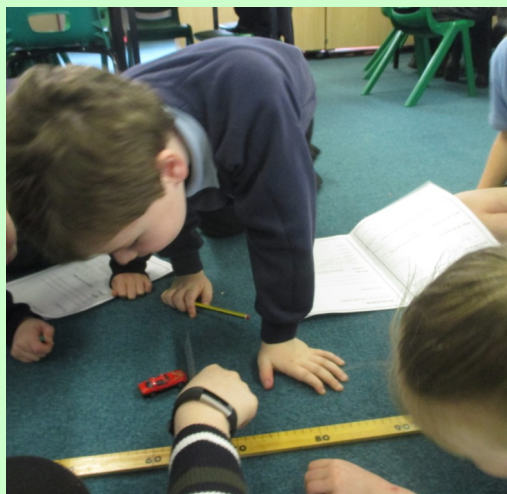
24th March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

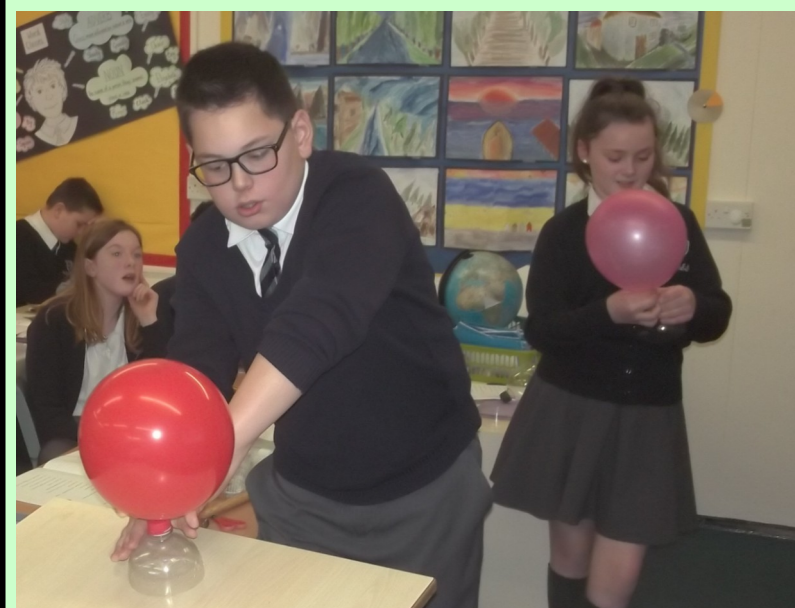
Last week there was a very scientific atmosphere throughout the school as each class carried out science investigations to mark the national Science Week. The investigation focus for the whole school was on friction. To name a few, Year 2 investigated how different surface materials affected the travel of a toy car; children in Year 3 investigated air resistance through the use of different types of parachutes and hovercrafts was the word in Year 6, as the class investigated how friction impacted the speed of travel. Thank you if you came to Mr Sanders' rescue by donating plastic bottles for the class investigation. The children demonstrated a real enthusiasm for Science and the activities gave them really good practical investigations to get involved in. I was impressed to hear the children's scientific thinking and reasoning, as well as seeing examples of their recording in their Science books. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes also had an additional science workshop which gave them a chance to explore and investigate forces through a range of activities, including blowing bubbles! You have also received with this newsletter a booklet of science investigation ideas to carry out at home. Please encourage your children to have a look at these and try to find some time to carry out a suitable investigation at home as well. We would very much like to see any photos or investigation results at school too, so do encourage your children to share these with their Class Teachers. I would like to express my thanks to Miss Brown, our Science Subject Leader, for organising all the activities for the week.

I wish you a restful weekend.

Heidi Otranen
Headteacher



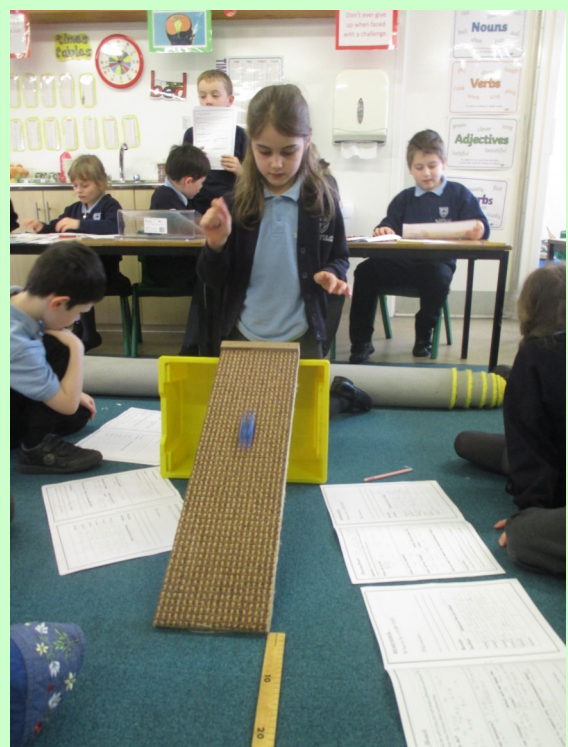
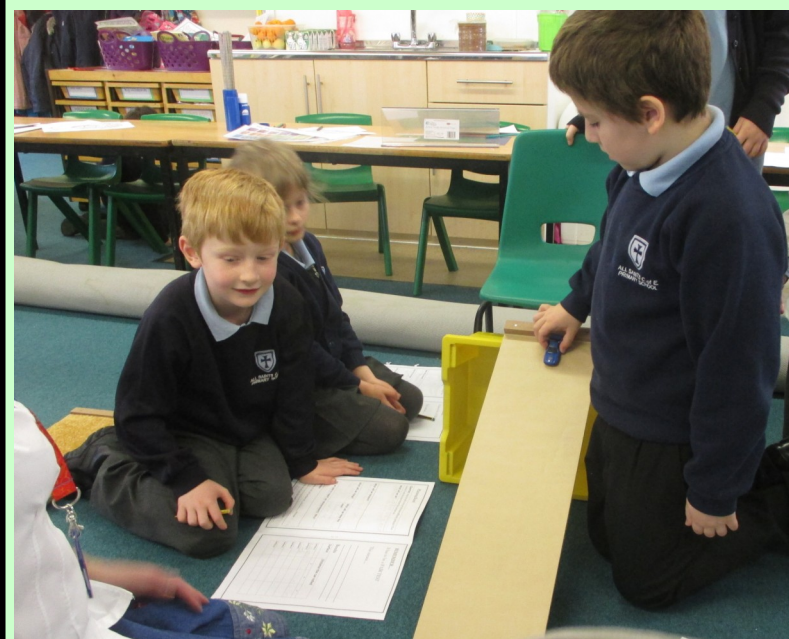
Year 2 children investigating how different types of surface materials affect the distance a toy car travels.



Year 4 children had fun investigating magnetic forces.



Year 6 hovercrafts ready to be launched.



Careful observations and measurements made by Year 2 class.



All Saints Church, Hockerill

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Good Friday Activity afternoon

Friday 14th April, 2.30 - 5.00pm. Registration 2.15pm

All Saints School children are invited to our annual Good Friday activity afternoon at All Saints Church on 14th April (last weekend of the school holidays). We shall have lots of Easter crafts, Easter cooking, puppets and fun.

At 4:30 pm, there will be a short service involving the children; we hope parents and friends will join us for this.

The closing date for registration is Wednesday 29th March. Please return the reply slips to the School Office or else, contact the event organiser Julie Small directly via email or phone.

We look forward to seeing you at 2.15 pm, on Good Friday in the Church. Please wear old clothes and bring a plastic bag to take home your afternoon's work!

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Good Friday Activity Afternoon

Name

School-year

Tel. No.

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Email:.....

Parent's signature

If you would like us to contact you directly with details of other children's events and activities please tick ☐

(A.S) Don't forget the closing date for registration is Wednesday 29th March

Year 6 Music Festival Success

Year 6 children showed off their performing arts talents in the Rhodes Centre this Thursday night, as they participated in a Music Festival with other local schools. We were very proud of all the children's courage, enthusiasm and exemplary behaviour—both at the rehearsals and on the night of the performance.

Well done children—you were amazing!



School Funding Cuts

You may have read or heard in the media that schools in England are facing funding cuts and that many schools are planning various actions as a result of this.

All Saints School is closely monitoring the funding amounts we are anticipating to receive over the next three to five years. Indications currently are that funding levels will remain flat or decline. This is at a time when schools are facing increasing costs due to inflation and living wage increases.

We will strive to ensure that given these circumstances, resources are used as efficiently as possible so that there is as little impact as possible on the children's education and that our standards of education remain as high as possible.

Given the above, the school would be most grateful if you could be mindful of the situation the school is now in.

Spring Term 2017 Dates

Date	Event
Mon 27th March	Year 3&4 Show Dress Rehearsal at 10am
Tues 28th March	Year 3&4 Show Afternoon Performance at 2pm
Wed 29th March	Year 3&4 Show Evening Performance at 6:30pm
Fri 31st March	Easter Service at All Saints School—10am (all welcome) Spring Term finishes at 1:30pm

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Please note more dates will be added accordingly.