



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020

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## Reasons to Celebrate!

### Merit Awards:

Oak (YR): Aadhya, Leo, Hayden

Year 1: Rebeka, Macey

Year 2: Anna, Henry, Oli,  
Adrianna, Violet, Isobel,  
Freddie, Fraser

Year 4: Darcy, Charlie

Year 5: Mason, Dylan, Amira,  
Jaedon

### House Points:

96

St Nicholas

111

St Francis

113

St Alban

117

St Hilda

### Value this half term:



"Tell the truth to each  
other."

(Zechariah 8.16)

Dear Parents/Carers,

"Truth never damages a cause that is just."

**Mahatma Ghandi**

This term, we are exploring the value of **Truthfulness**. Our first Collective Worship of the half term considered the phrase – 'I promise to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth'. This week, we heard the story of Esau and Jacob from the Bible (Genesis 27). It is a rather strange story, but shows the impact a lie can have and the consequences to our relationships with each other.

### **Ash Wednesday**

Last week we held our annual Ash Wednesday service in school. Unlike previous years, we didn't have Mass. Rather, we had Sorry Stations where we could reflect on forgiving others (using Fizzy Forgiveness) before saying sorry ourselves (using Sorry Stones). Some photos are included in the Newsletter this week.

### **Communication with Home – Online Payment**

We have now moved over to SchoolComms for our communication as well as online payment. Please ensure you have downloaded the app if you can! If you have other children in secondary school's that use it, so long as the same email address is used you should be able to combine the accounts. Please contact the office if you're having difficulty with this.

### **World Book Day – Book Fair's in school!**

Thank you so much for your support of our Book Fair – and today's dress up event! The children looked fabulous in their costumes, and we hope they will enjoy the books bought at the fair. We'll let you know how much commission we earned this year to help us buy books for our library!

Philip Asher, *Headteacher*

## Looking for a school place for Nursery in September 2020?

Contact the school office to book your place to visit, or ask for more details.

Applications are now open on our website: [CLICK HERE](#)

**ONLY ONE WEEK LEFT TO APPLY!!**

# Diary Dates

*New dates since last Newsletter are in bold.*

## March 2020

Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PTA Clothing Collection</li> <li>KS1 Celebration Praise- 2.45pm</li> </ul>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Saints Choir at the Royal Albert Hall gala!</li> </ul>
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Consultations – Late session 3.30 – 7pm</li> </ul>
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Consultations – Earlier session 3.30 – 5.30pm</li> </ul>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Nursery Application Deadline for September 2020</u></li> <li>KS2 Celebration Praise- 2.45pm</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>PTA Flowers for Mother's Day</b></li> </ul>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y3/4 Production: Afternoon Performance</li> </ul>
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y3/4 Production: Evening Performance</li> </ul>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y2 Class Assembly 2.45pm – Parents invited!</li> <li><b>PTA Discos – EYFS/KS1, and KS2</b></li> </ul>
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>PTA Family Photo Event (in school, times TBC)</b></li> </ul>

## April 2020

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9.30am Easter Service with Mass- in school, parents invited</li> </ul>
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last day of Spring Term – school closes at 1.15pm</li> </ul>
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Easter Holiday – school closed</b></li> </ul>
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>School reopens after Easter Break – 8.40am</b></li> </ul>
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## May 2020

<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>May Bank Holiday – School Closed</b></li> </ul>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Y6 SATS Week</b></li> <li><b>Y5 Residential to Brancaster</b></li> </ul>
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Y6 Crucial Crew</b></li> </ul>
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Half Term – school closed</b></li> </ul>



## Golden Ticket Fridays!

Parents/carers can join their child(ren) on a Friday in school. A two course lunch for £3.55! Only 5 available each Friday, and strictly first come, first served.

Book in advance to secure your ticket!

## Register for SchoolGateway

It's very easy to register for your account:



# Schoolgateway



### 1. Register

Register using the same email address and mobile number held by the school



### 2. Four digit PIN

School Gateway will send you a text with your PIN



### 3. Login

Login, you are ready to go

## Year 1 Class Assembly

It was a pleasure to present the Year 1 Class Assembly before half term. Here's a small selection of photos from the performance!



## World Book Day – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

We had a great day sharing books, playing with words and enjoying our costumes! Such creativity and ingenuity! Thank you for your support.





## Sharing Safeguarding: Supporting Children's Mental Health

Realising that your child may be struggling with their mental health and experiencing anxiety or depression can be hard to accept. Sometimes parents can feel like it's their fault or want to know why their child is struggling with a mental health problem.



This is completely understandable, but the most important thing you can do is to reassure your child and not judge them for how they're feeling. Ways to help a child who's struggling include:

- letting them know you're there for them and are on their side
- try talking to them over text or on the phone if they don't feel able to talk in person
- being patient and staying calm and approachable, even if their behaviour upsets you
- recognising that their feelings are valid and letting them know it's okay for them to be honest about what it's like for them to feel this way
- thinking of healthy ways to cope you could do together, like yoga, breathing exercises or mindfulness
- encouraging them to talk to their GP, someone at their school or Childline
- take care of yourself and get support if you need to

**Remember: If you have any concerns about a child, please speak to one of the school's Designated Senior Persons: Mr Asher, Miss Brooks or Mrs Moore.**

Alternatively, telephone Hertfordshire Children's Services on **0300 123 4043**.

## THUNK...

At home, find some time to have a 'Think' moment – A beguiling question about everyday things that stops you in your tracks and helps you start to look at the world in a whole new light. Have fun thinking/talking about them!

**Can you feel guilty for something you haven't done?**

## Nursery Gymnastics!

The children in Nursery have been exploring our Gymnastics equipment – developing their core strength!



## Ash Wednesday

We marked Ash Wednesday in school with Fr Simon and some of our friends from All Saints Church. We used Sorry Stations to help us think about Forgiveness and saying Sorry.



## Term Dates 2019-20

*Please note the May Bank Holiday has changed (the Government moved the day for 2020).*

### Spring Term: 6<sup>th</sup> January – 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Inset Day: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Half Term: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Pupils in school: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

### Summer Term: 20<sup>th</sup> April – 20<sup>th</sup> July

Pupils in school: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

**Updated Early May Bank Holiday: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May – School Closed (NOT Monday 4<sup>th</sup>!!)**

Half Term: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

Inset Day: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Inset Day: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July (School closed to pupils)

**Please Note: School closes at 1.15pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

***Please note all family holiday should be taken during school holidays or weekends.***

*If you need to take your child out of school for medical appointments, these should normally be appointments that are not routine, and please provide an appointment letter or similar to support your request for a Leave of Absence.*

*You can find out more on the school website:*

<http://www.allsaints.herts.sch.uk/website/absence/148596>

# Term Dates 2020-21

## **Autumn Term: 3<sup>rd</sup> September – 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

**Inset Days:** Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September (School closed to pupils)

**Pupils in school:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

**Half Term:** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

**Pupils in school:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

## **Spring Term: 4<sup>th</sup> January – 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

**Inset Day:** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January (School closed to pupils)

**Pupils in school:** Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February

**Half Term:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February

**Pupils in school:** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March

## **Summer Term: 12<sup>th</sup> April – 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021**

**Inset Day:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April (School closed to pupils)

**Pupils in school:** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May

**Bank Holiday:** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May (School closed)

**Half Term:** Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June

**Inset Day:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June (School closed to pupils)

**Pupils in school:** Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

## **School closes at 1.15pm on the last day of each FULL term:**

- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July