



Friday 7th February 2020

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Reasons to Celebrate!

Merit Awards:

Oak (YR): Freddie

Year 4: Bronwyn

Year 5: Samuel, Henry

Year 6: Sherbano, Lois, Flora,
Freddy

House Points:

223

St Nicholas

242

St Francis

251

St Alban

235

St Hilda

Value this half term:



"I can do all things
through Him who
strengthens me."
(Philippians 4.13)

Dear Parents/Carers,

"Perseverance; secret of all triumphs."

Victor Hugo

The focus over the last couple of weeks has been on how we support each other with the challenges we face. Following a story that included the phrase 'If you can't go over it, and you can't go under it, you've got to go through it!', we used the examples from the 2019 Y5 Brancaster trip to consider challenges we might face. We also explored the story of Barnabas (Acts 11.24), and how he was described as an 'encourager' – how can we learn from his example and be an encourager of others?

BMX Workshops

Next week, we're delighted to welcome Mike Mullen (6x BMX Halfpipe Champion!) to school. He will lead an assembly and demonstration event for all the children, followed by workshops for Y5 and Y6. The events are designed to inspire and explore a Growth Mindset – all part of our Perseverance value, and developing 'Resilience'! We're sure it will be great fun.

Y5 and Y6 – must have coats, long trousers and gloves for the workshops (*helmets & bikes provided, long hair to be worn up (pony tail/plait) please!*).

Communication with Home

After half term, we will stop using ParentMail as our email/texting system. Instead we'll use SchoolComms Gateway (the app we use for online payments). This means parents only need one app to receive communication from school. A letter will be sent out next week so you can check you're all set up.

Safer Internet Day

Next week is National Safer Internet Day (Tuesday 11th). We will have focus lessons and assemblies in school, but parents can explore information, guidance and tips by following this link:

[Safer Internet Day 2020](#)

World Book Day – Book Fair's in school!

After half term, we're celebrating World Book day with a visit from the Book Fair. Last year, this raised over £800 towards school books. Can we beat our achievement this year? Further information is in the newsletter.

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](#)

Diary Dates

New dates since last Newsletter are in bold.

February 2020

Friday 7 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KS1 Celebration Praise- 2.45pm
Monday 10 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.30am Nursery Tour (for parents applying for September 2020) • Library Bus visit to school
Tuesday 11 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safer Internet Day – themed activities this week! • Balance Bike Experience session for Y1 and Y2
Wednesday 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BMX Mindfulness Workshops – Y5 and Y6
Friday 14 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y1 Class Assembly 2.45pm – Parents invited!
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Half Term Holiday (school closed)
Wednesday 26 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ash Wednesday Service (in school)
Thursday 27th – Tuesday 3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book Fair in school (look out for posters for opening times!)
Friday 28th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTA Bingo Event

March 2020

Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fruit Workshops – Reception to Y6
Friday 6 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTA Clothing Collection • KS1 Celebration Praise- 2.45pm
Sunday 8 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Saints Choir at the Royal Albert Hall gala!
Wednesday 11 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Consultations – Late session 3.30 – 7pm
Thursday 12 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Consultations – Earlier session 3.30 – 5.30pm
Friday 13 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Nursery Application Deadline for September 2020</u> • KS2 Celebration Praise- 2.45pm
Friday 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTA Flowers for Mother's Day
Tuesday 24 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y3/4 Production: Afternoon Performance
Wednesday 25 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y3/4 Production: Evening Performance
Friday 27 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y2 Class Assembly 2.45pm – Parents invited! • PTA Discos – EYFS/KS1, and KS2
Saturday 28th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTA Family Photo Event (in school, times TBC)

April 2020

Wednesday 1 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.30am Easter Service with Mass- in school, parents invited
Friday 3 rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last day of Spring Term – school closes at 1.15pm



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!

Forest School After Half Term: Year 6

Year 6 will have their opportunity for Forest School after half term, taking over from Year 5. This will be on Friday afternoons. They will need a change of clothing on Fridays – long trousers, long sleeved top, coat, hat/gloves as appropriate, and footwear that can get muddy (wellies!). All named please!

The Book Fair is coming to our school!

We are delighted to welcome back the Book Fair after half term.



Opening Times:

Thursday 27th February: 3.30–4pm
Friday 28th February: 8am–8.40am & 3.30–4pm
Monday 2nd March: 3.30–4pm
Tuesday 3rd March: 3.30–4pm

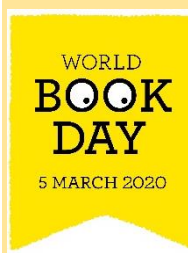
We need some helpers to support running the openings – please sign up in the office if you can lend us some of your time! Thank you.

Competition Time!

We are running a competition this year. To win a voucher, design your own superhero! Draw a picture, as detailed as you can, and tell us about their special powers/features. To enter, bring your design in by **Monday 24th February**. Winners will be announced in Singing Assembly on Wednesday 26th.

Win a £5 Book Voucher to spend at the fair!

World Book Day – Friday 6th March



We know the actual World Book Day is Thursday 5th, but we thought it would be a great way to end the week so moved it to Friday instead!

To celebrate World Book Day we will be holding a range of events at the beginning of next term, including the book fair.

Reading increases your imagination and expands your vocabulary so this year our theme is '**Wonderful Words**'.

We would like the children to choose an adjective (describing word) to dress up as. The more exciting, unusual or intriguing the better!



Dressing up is not compulsory and children can bring a dressed up teddy bear if they prefer. We look forward to seeing your creative ideas.

Some words to get you thinking:

Sparkly	Puzzling	Mysterious	Clean
Colourful	Vibrant	Fierce	Elegant
Magical	Courageous	Ancient	Scruffy
Adventurous	Regal	Angelic	Victorious
Sleepy	Generous	Strong	Scary

Sharing Safeguarding: Safer Internet at Home

This coming week we will be focused on Safer Internet and helping the children understand ways to protect themselves online.

With so much smart technology out there, knowing how to protect your children can be challenging. The Safer Internet team have put together a guide for Parents:

[Safer Internet Technology Guide for Parents](#)

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 **0300 123 4043**.



Safer Internet Day
2020 | **Tuesday**
11 February

Together for a better internet

THUNK...

At home, find some time to have a 'Thunk' 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!

If a tomato is a fruit, does that mean ketchup is a smoothie?

Term Dates 2019-20

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

Spring Term: 6th January – 3rd April

Inset Day: Monday 6th January (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 7th January – Friday 14th February

Half Term: Monday 17th – Friday 21st February

Pupils in school: Monday 24th February – Friday 3rd April

Summer Term: 20th April – 20th July

Pupils in school: Monday 20th April – Friday 22nd May

Updated Early May Bank Holiday: Friday 8th May – School Closed (NOT Monday 4th!!)

Half Term: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

Inset Day: Monday 1st June (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 2nd June – Friday 17th July

Inset Day: Monday 20th July (School closed to pupils)

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

- Friday 20th December
- Friday 3rd April
- Friday 17th 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: 3rd September – 18th December 2020

Inset Days: Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th September (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Monday 7th September – Friday 23rd October

Half Term: Monday 26th – Friday 30th October

Pupils in school: Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December

Spring Term: 4th January – 26th March 2021

Inset Day: Monday 4th January (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 5th January – Friday 12th February

Half Term: Monday 15th – Friday 19th February

Pupils in school: Monday 22nd February – Friday 26th March

Summer Term: 12th April – 22nd July 2021

Inset Day: Monday 12th April (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 13th April – Friday 28th May

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May (School closed)

Half Term: Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Inset Day: Monday 7th June (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 8th June – Thursday 22nd July

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

- Friday 18th December
- Friday 26th March
- Thursday 22nd July