



# All Saints News

29th September 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Autumn term is now in full swing and I am pleased to report how well the children are getting on with their learning. I hope you have also gained a good understanding of this academic year's expectations from the curriculum maps and Autumn Term newsletters sent home, as well as attending 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. I cannot emphasise how important regular reading, spelling and times tables practice at home is; thank you for your continued support with this.

A big thank you from all the All Saints staff and children to the PTA who enabled us to redesign the infant playground. The children are enjoying a whole new set of playground markings, which encourage learning, active games and other fun activities.

Unfortunately we have said goodbye to Mrs Medlycott and Mrs Richardson (Teaching Assistants). I would like to thank them for all their hard work and efforts over the years.

Heidi Otranen  
Headteacher

**Thankfulness**

**foodbank**

Marcella never expected to find herself needing a foodbank, but when her health benefit payment was delayed, she was glad it was there to support her.

"THE FOODBANK GAVE ME FAITH THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO UNDERSTAND AND WHO YOU CAN TRUST"

With a baby on the way, the foodbank was a life saver to Suzanne and her family when she and her husband were both forced out of work due to redundancy and illness.

"THE FOODBANK SAVED OUR LIVES"

Tea Bags

Deodorant (male & female)

Fruit Squash

Chocolate Bars (similar to Penguins)

Shower Gel

Tinned Tomatoes

Long Life Fruit Juice

Tinned Meats

Long Life Milk

Sponge Puddings

Biscuits

Coffee

When her daughter was suddenly hospitalised, Holly was forced to stop working, leaving them with no income to support them, but luckily the foodbank was able to help to help.

We can help by donating some of these items for the Bishop's Stortford Food Bank Harvest Appeal. Bring you donations in by Wednesday, 11th October.

Suffering from malnutrition and with no one to turn to, the foodbank helped 21-year-old Charlotte get her life back on track.

Sugar

Shampoo

"THE PEOPLE AT THE FOODBANK WERE WONDERFUL. THEY UNDERSTOOD AND SAVED US"

'Give thanks to God for he is good, for his faithful love lasts forever.'

Tinned Rice Pudding

Drinking Chocolate (water)

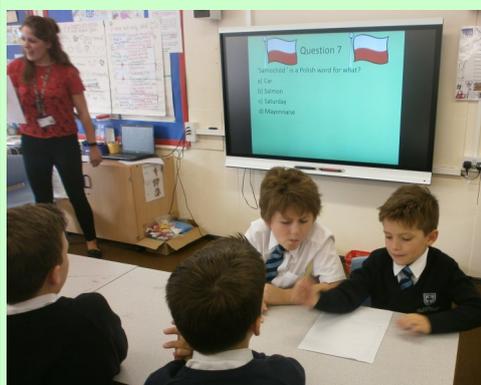
"FOODBANKS MAKE AN IMPACT IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE"

are you thankful?



There was a real European feel across the school on Tuesday, as all the children celebrated the annual European Day of Languages. The children worked in mixed age groups, visiting different classrooms throughout the day and experienced a wide range of activities. Cheerful singing in a variety of languages was heard from the Year 6 class while children visiting Year 3 had a crash course in German with Mrs Whitby. A language quiz took place in Year 5 class and everyone learned to describe the weather in French after a visit to the Year 4 class. The younger children 'visited' different European countries with their passports, learning basic greetings in different languages and a workshop in sign language also took place in Year 2. It was fantastic to see how the children embraced the opportunity to try out new things and stretch out of their comfort zone; they also demonstrated excellent behaviour for learning!

Well done children - we are proud of you!



# Bishop's Stortford Food Bank Harvest Appeal

We are soon approaching our Harvest Service (Wednesday, 11th October at 10am - All Saints Church). This year All Saints has teamed up with the Bishop's Stortford Food Bank to help raise goods and money for their Harvest Appeal. UK foodbank use continues to rise with over one million three-day emergency food supplies given to people in crisis in 2016/17.

We are inviting the children to donate items from the Food Bank 'Emergency list' (see attached) in the lead up to our Harvest Service. You may also want to consider a 'Can & Coin' approach. This involves the children bringing in one item from the Emergency List and sellotaping a 50p / £1 / £2 coin to it. Every year the Food Bank has to raise £9-10,000 to cover the costs of transport, storage, insurance, coordinator costs etc, and just a small donation of £100 will cover the costs of petrol for 3 months.

There will be a shopping trolley outside the school office between Monday, 2nd October and Wednesday, 11th October for the children to place their donations. Please support our efforts and join us on Wednesday, 11th October for our Harvest Service.

Help us stop UK hunger!



Due to popular demand, Hip Hop Pop (one of our out of school club providers) will be starting a Hip Hop/ Street Dance Club for Reception and Year 1 children. This club will take place Thursday mornings from 8am to 8:45am in the school hall. First session will start on Thursday, 5th October. Please see a booking form and leaflet attached and book early to avoid disappointment.

Hip Hop club for Years 2 to 6 has already started but there are a few more spaces available for any enthusiastic street dancers who would like to join Wednesday morning fun (8am to 8:45am).

# Autumn Term 2017 Dates

Date	Event
• Fri 6th October	• Year 3 Class Trip to Celtic Harmony
• Mon 9th October	• Year 4 'Meet the Teacher' Meeting at 3pm
Tues 10th October	Early Years Foundation Stage (Nursery & Reception) Harvest Morning
Wed 11th October	Harvest Service at All Saints Church at 10am—all welcome
Mon 16th October	Nursery Curriculum Meeting at 6:30pm Reception Curriculum Meeting at 7pm
• Thurs 19th October	• Isle of Wight Meeting for Year 5 Parents/Carers at 6pm
Fri 20th October	Year 4 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Mon 23rd October to Fri 27th October	HALF-TERM HOLIDAY
Tues 31st October	Year 3 Swimming lessons commence Parent Consultation Evening—3:30pm to 5:30pm
Wed 1st November	All Saints Day celebrations, including Mass at 9:30am (all welcome) Parent Consultation Evening—3:30pm to 4:20pm & 5pm to 7:20pm
Mon 13th November	Friendship Week commences (Anti-bullying Week)
Fri 1st December	Christmas Design Technology Day
Fri 8th December	Year 6 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Mon 11th December	Nursery & Reception Nativity dress rehearsal at 10am Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show dress rehearsal at 2pm
Tues 12th December	Nursery & Reception Nativity performance at 11am Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show performance at 2pm
Wed 13th December	Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show performance at 2pm Christmas Carol Service at All Saints Church at 6:30pm
Thurs 14th December	EYFS (Nursery and Reception) & Key Stage 1 (Yrs 1 & 2) Christmas Party (am) Key Stage 2 (Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6) Christmas Parties (pm)
Fri 15th December	Christmas Dinner Day
Mon 18th December	Pantomime at the Rhodes Centre (Reception to Year 6)
Tues 19th December	Autumn Term finishes at 1:15pm

- Denotes a new entry

Please note more dates will be added accordingly.