

# All Saints News

19th January 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! It has been great to see how well all the children have settled back to the school routine refreshed and eager to learn. I hope you have now had a chance to look at our most recent Ofsted report. The staff and I are very pleased with the outcome and delighted by the inspector's positive comments.

Our value for the half-term is 'Hope'. Christians see their hope in God's promise 'that love and goodness have, and will ultimately, overcome all evil'. This hope is manifested in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Please take some time to study the Home School Value resource attached with this newsletter. It includes fun activities for your family to do together alongside topics to stimulate discussion and reflection. You will need to use discretion when deciding which parts of each issue of Home School Values are most appropriate to the age of your child. Please also remember that you are warmly welcomed to attend our whole school Collective Worship on Monday mornings (10:20am - 10:40am) to learn more about our values education and to see it in action. Please just inform the School Office and let them know you would like to join us.

I wish you a relaxing weekend.

Heidi Otranen Headteacher

## Important Reminder!

children safe!

Please remember that the school and its premises are NUT FREE environments. Many of our children suffer from severe nut allergies, so please ensure that no products containing nuts are brought to school. Sometimes teachers may ask you to provide empty cardboard boxes for craft activities. Please do not donate empty boxes that have contained products with nuts (eg Crunchy Nut cornflake cereal boxes) as these can, in the most severe cases, also trigger an allergic reaction. Thank you for your help and co-operation in keeping our



## Healthy lunch—healthy mind, ready to learn

At school we aim to encourage all children to eat a healthy, balanced meal at lunchtime. The Midday Supervisory Assistants encourage the children to try a variety of food and they also try to monitor what the children are eating. Mrs Crosby, our Senior Midday Supervisor, is very keen to promote healthy lunchboxes to ensure the children have plenty of energy for learning in the afternoons.

All of the evidence from research into the benefits of good school meals indicates improvements in pupil health, behaviour, motivation and ability to learn and achieve. A healthy lunch and breakfast has been shown to improve attendance, behaviour and concentration. What is good for our body is good for our mind!

According to NHS choices, a balanced lunchbox should contain:

- -Starchy foods like bread, rice, potatoes or pasta.
- -Protein foods like meat, fish, eggs or beans.
- -A dairy item, like cheese or yogurt.
- -Vegetables or salad and a portion of fruit.

Why not visit the BBC Good Food website for healthy lunchbox ideas.

www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/collection/school-lunch www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/school-packed-lunch-inspiration

Please do not include chocolate bars or sweets in packed lunch boxes and try to avoid crisps (rice cakes are a good alternative to crisps).







Please remember - nuts, Nutella or peanut butter are not allowed as we are a nut free school!

#### MIDDAY SUPERVISORY ASSISTANT VACANCY

We require a Midday Supervisory Assistant to join our experienced and hardworking team.

You will be working with well-behaved children and a friendly MSA team to supervise children in the dining hall and during outside play.

You will work every lunchtime, from 12pm to 1.15pm, term-time only.

You will be paid on the HB scale (£15,014), pro-rata.

Applications can be either submitted online through 'Teach in Herts' website or by hand to the School Office. Please contact the School Office (tel. 01279 836006) if you require any further information. The School Office will also have application packs available to you, if you do not want to apply online.

Applications close on Friday, 26th January with interviews taking place soon after.



All Saints is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.

This post is subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure.

#### New Year—New Year's Resolutions

New Year is a great time to make some new resolutions. Why not make online safety resolutions as a family? The link below will take you to Childnet website and give you some great ideas for family resolutions.

At school we will also celebrate the national Safer Internet Day on Tuesday, 6th February when the children will learn more about online safety. Online safety is also part of our computing curriculum across the school.



http://www.childnet.com/blog/setting-online-safety-resolutions-with-your-family

## Spring Term 2018 Dates

Date	Event
Friday 2nd February	Year 2 Chinese Workshop Day
Saturday 3rd February	PTA Disco at Parsonage Hall
Tuesday 6th February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 9th February	Year 3 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Monday 12th February—Friday 16th February	Half-term holiday
Wednesday 21st February	Ash Wednesday Service at All Saints School at 9:30am     —all welcome to attend
Friday 2nd March	World Book Day Celebrations—children to dress up as their favourite book characters
Tuesday 6th March	Parent Consultation Evening—3:30pm to 5:30pm
Wednesday 7th March	Parent Consultation Evening—3:30pm to 4:20pm & 5pm to 7:20pm
Friday 9th March	Year 2 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
	SAVE THE DATE! Early Years and Key Stage 1 Reading Workshop for parents—3:45-4:30pm (more information to follow)
Saturday 10th March	PTA Quiz Night
Monday 12th March	• SAVE THE DATE! Key Stage 2 Reading Workshop for parents—3:45-4:30pm (more information to follow)
Monday 26th March	Year 3 and 4 Show dress rehearsal at 10am
Tuesday 27th March	Year 3 and 4 Show afternoon performance at 2pm
Wednesday 28th March	Year 3 and 4 Show evening performance at 6:30pm
Thursday 29th March	Easter Service at All Saints School at 9:30am (all welcome)
	Spring Term finishes at 1:15pm

#### Denotes a new entry

Please note more dates will be added accordingly.