



Friday 18th October 2019

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Reasons to Celebrate!

Merit Awards:

Y5: Kayla

Y6: Kiara, Cooper

No merit assembly this week or next week due to the Y4 Class Assembly and the All Saints Service.

House Points:

The totals will be updated in the next edition!

276

St Nicholas

274

St Francis

270

St Alban

272

St Hilda

Value this half term:



*"Always be thankful."
(1 Thessalonians 5.16)*

Dear Parents/Carers,

"Keep your eyes open to your mercies. The person who forgets to be thankful has fallen asleep in life."

Robert Louis Stephenson

Baby Watch!

Congratulations to both Miss Brown and to Mrs Francis on the birth of their babies. Mums, dads and babies are all doing brilliantly.

Black History Workshops

A huge thank you to our volunteer parents and friends who came to lead workshops across school on Friday last week. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about cultures and traditions from around the world, particularly Kente cloth and how to make Brazilian Cheese Bread (Pao de Queijo). Photos later in the newsletter!

PTA AGM

Thank you to the small but enthusiastic group who joined us for the PTA AGM last week. We discussed the great fundraising efforts from last year and heard about the exciting plans for this coming year.

Last year the PTA raised a fantastic **£8800 in total**, towards supporting the school for a range of resources, learning opportunities and fun things. This was an increase of £1100 from the previous year. THANK YOU!!

Over the coming year, this will be put towards new IT equipment for pupils, a new trim-trail for the playground, a range of enrichment activities for each class, and an outdoor stage for the playground.

We also said a big thank you to our outgoing co-chairs – Eli Chenkova and Nicola Whitaker, and to our outgoing Secretary – Sarah Shuttleworth. The new Chair will be Sarah Bush, and Vice-Chair is Gaenor Young. Susie White will continue in role as treasurer.

Look out for a PTA newsletter with upcoming events! Join us at **9am Tuesday 22nd** (next week) to help us plan for the Christmas Fayre – to be held on Friday 6th December after school. Save the date!

Philip Asher, *Headteacher*

Looking for a school place for Reception in September 2020?

Tour dates now available for places at All Saints.

Reception Tour Dates now added to the calendar (next page).

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

Applications for Hertfordshire Primary Schools open on **Monday 4th November 2019.**

Visit: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk for more information, or contact the school office.

Diary Dates

New dates are in bold.

October 2019

Friday 18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y4 Class Assembly - 2.45pm
Monday 21 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flu Vaccines (Y1-Y6)
Tuesday 22 nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y3 Swimming Lessons start (for 6 weeks, excluding Half Term) 9am PTA Planning Meeting – in school
Friday 25 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Saints' Day Creative Workshops, 2.30pm Service (Parents invited)
Monday 28 th – Friday 1 st Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Half Term – School Closed to pupils

November 2019

Monday 4 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inset Day – School Closed to pupils
Wednesday 6 th & Thursday 7 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Consultations (individual appointments with class teachers and drop in for SENCo)
Friday 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Monday 11 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10.50am Act of Remembrance – in School 1.30pm Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Thursday 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Friday 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Monday 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020) 1.30pm Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Friday 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Friday 29 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PTA Clothing Bag Collection Y6 Class Assembly – 2.45pm

December 2019

2 nd – 3 rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coram Education Life-Ed Tent in school (all classes)
Tuesday 3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.30pm Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Friday 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020) PTA Christmas Fayre
Monday 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Tuesday 10 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11am EYFS Nativity Performance 2pm KS1 (Y1 & Y2) Nativity Performance
Wednesday 11 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Reception Tour (for parents applying for September 2020) 2pm KS1 (Y1 & Y2) Nativity Performance
Friday 13 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EYFS/KS1 Christmas Parties
Monday 16 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS2 Christmas Parties
Tuesday 17 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.00pm Christmas Service – in Church (Parents invited)
Wednesday 18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Dinner
Thursday 19 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whole School Panto Trip (Rec – Y6, Rhodes Centre)
Friday 20 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.15pm End of the Autumn Term – school closes for Christmas Holiday



Golden Ticket Fridays!

– Starting after half term!

New to All Saints, parents/carers can purchase a golden ticket to have lunch with 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.

Black History Month at All Saints



Over the last two weeks the children have been learning and thinking about the role Black History plays in our society. In assembly, the children learned about Clive Sullivan. He was the first black captain of any British sports team to represent his Country at an international and national level. He played for Hull and Hull Kingston Rovers – both Rugby League teams. He was renowned for his speed and power, and is named as a role model for lots of athletes who followed him. The husband of one of our members of staff won the Clive Sullivan Cup while at University for their sporting achievements.



On Friday last week, parents and friends came in to lead workshops with the children. In Reception the children made Brazilian Cheese Bread (Pao de Queijo). They had lots of fun mixing the ingredients and rolling the balls, before baking enough for everyone to try – delicious!!



Y1 and Y2 combined to learn about Kente patterns from Ghana. They looked at the material and learned about the patterns and colours. Afterwards, they made some of their own using paint and combs, and weaving coloured paper.



Y3 and Y4 learned about AfroBeat dancing, and practiced a sequence. It looked great fun and the music really got feet (and arms, legs, and bodies!) moving. It was great to watch a group perform the routine in Celebration Assembly.



Y6 learned about the process of making Kente Cloth, and how the material is an important part of the life story. Each colour has meaning, and is woven together to tell the story. They also learned about how the making process inspires music, and the origins of the patterns.

School Car Park

Please note the car park is not available to parents between 8am and 5pm when it is reserved for staff and visitors only. For safety of our children, the gates are closed for access each morning at drop off time and again at collection time. Please ensure children do not play/run amongst the parked cars or swing on the tree in the roundabout at any time. Thank you for your support.

Year 3: Celtic Harmony

Year 3 had a great day learning about life in a Celtic settlement.



Year 5: Mini-police

The children in Y5 have enjoyed their Mini-police project. Last week they explored bullying and cyber-bullying, thinking about what it is, how to prevent it, and what to do if they thought they were being bullied. The project is led by our local CPSOs who come in weekly to lead sessions with the children.



Uniform Check!

We keep a close eye on ensuring the children have all they need for their day in school. PE kit remembering has been much better since our last Newsletter – but now it seems Ties are lacking!

We will be having a big push on looking smart and neat next week!

Hair and Earrings – Please ensure long hair is tied up (shoulder length is a good guide for when to tie up) and Earrings should not be worn on PE days (unless your child can remove them by themselves). Taping up is only suitable for the first six weeks of piercing or with a medical note to say the earring cannot be removed. If your child had their ears pierced in the summer holidays, they should now be ready to remove them for lessons to avoid injury! Thank you.

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!

Can you be 'best friends' with more than one person? If so, what's the maximum number of best friends you can have?

Term Dates 2019-20

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

Autumn Term 2nd September – 20th December

Inset Day: Monday 2nd September (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 3rd September – Friday 25th October

Half Term: Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November

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

Pupils in school: Tuesday 5th November – Friday 20th December

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>