



Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019

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## Reasons to Celebrate!

### Merit Awards:

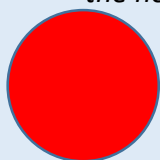
Ash: Alice B, George F, Oli S,  
Miles S

Y4: Allyson M, Harry F, Jacob B

Y6: Ava, B-G, Roman C

### House Points:

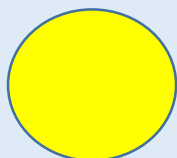
*The totals will be updated in  
the next edition!*



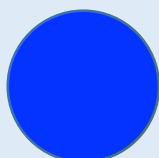
St Nicholas



St Francis



St Alban



St Hilda

### Value this half term:



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

Dear Parents/Carers,

"Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you'll never have enough."

**Oprah Winfrey**

Term is well underway, and I have really enjoyed seeing the children come in to school smiling and ready to learn. Lots to look forward to – and lots already started.

Our new pupils have settled in very well, as well as our new members of staff. In a few weeks' time we will be wishing Miss Brown and Mrs Francis the very best as they leave us for their Maternity Leave. We will be welcoming Mrs Wignall (our Forest School Teacher) and Mrs Turner to our Reception Class team as the teachers for the remainder of the year. Mrs Davidson and Mrs McFarlane will be stepping in to cover Mrs Francis' teaching commitments in Y5 and Y4.

I am also delighted to announce we will be welcoming Mr Alan Wastell as our new caretaker. He will start with us at the beginning of October and is already looking forward to getting to know the school and keeping it ship shape!

### **PTA AGM**

Please do join us for the PTA AGM on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October here in school (7pm-8.30pm). We will be electing new committee officials and need as many hands to make light work of supporting the school. An email with details was sent out earlier this week.

### **Harvest Appeal**

We are continuing the All Saints' tradition of supporting the Bishops Stortford Foodbank this year. Please see the list for items we'll be collecting at our **Harvest Service – 10.30am Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**. Later this month, a group of KS2 children will visit the foodbank to see how the donations are used.

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 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019**.

Visit: [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk) for more information, or contact the school office.

# Diary Dates

*New dates are in bold.*

## September 2019

Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Individual and Family Photos</li> <li>Y5 Mini-Police Start (each week for 8 weeks)</li> </ul>
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## October 2019

Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10.30am Harvest Service – in Church (Parents invited)</li> </ul>
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y3 Celtic Harmony Trip</li> </ul>
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y6 National Child Measurement Programme (Nurse visit, in school)</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Y4 Class Assembly - 2.45pm</b></li> </ul>
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flu Vaccines (Y1-Y6)</li> </ul>
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Y3 Swimming Lessons start (for 6 weeks, excluding Half Term)</li> </ul>
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Saints' Day Creative Workshops, 2.30pm Service (Parents invited)</li> </ul>
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Half Term – School Closed to pupils</li> </ul>

## November 2019

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

## December 2019

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



## Golden Ticket Fridays!

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. **Look out for the letter next week for the start day!**

## Reception Settling In

The start of term is always busy, but our new Reception pupils have had a lovely time learning about their new classroom and topics. They've been getting into the routines and enjoying their time in school! Do look on Tapestry to see the observations from their first few weeks.



## A quick tour of displays!

The children are starting to create work to share and some lovely displays are going up round school. There are lots of interesting topics, from transport for teddies, to Greeks and even Tudors getting a look in. Y3 have been making their own Cave Art Work, and Y1s art work from Summer (now in Y2!) has found a home in our new library art gallery.





## Parking!

We have received a complaint from a neighbour that a parent from our school parked across their drive meaning they were unable to leave their house this week. Please park with care and consideration for our neighbours. Parking is difficult at the best

## National TA Day – September 16<sup>th</sup>

It was National Teaching Assistant Day earlier this week. We recognised the excellent support our TAs give every day at school and celebrated by giving them some Heroes for our TA Heroes!



## Recipe for Success – Being Thankful and Looking Forward



We enjoy learning about our values and theme for the term in our Monday Values Collective Worship. We started the term by thinking about what makes for a successful year and (using British Bake Off as inspiration!) created our own 'Recipe for Success'. We realised we needed lots of people (teachers, pupils, cooks and office staff), and other things like hope, kindness, laughter, resilience and friendship.

We've also thought about the people and what makes us thankful for them – how they do things that make us happy, keep us safe, and help us learn.



## Uniform Check!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO NAME EVERYTHING!!

We have already had a large number of items mislaid through the day and lots of them are not named. 30 navy jumpers all look identical when piled together!

**PE KIT** – Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school each week. It does not normally need to go home and can stay in school – we will send it home after a particularly muddy PE lesson if a wash is needed! Please provide Trainers for outdoor PE. Plimsols do not provide enough support and are not suitable for outdoor PE.

**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.

## School Car Park

A member of staff's car was damaged in the school car park on Tuesday this week, towards the end of the day. Unfortunately, no note was left or message in school. Please take care if you use the car park to collect your child from Night Owls at the end of the day.

**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 between 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.

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> September – 20<sup>th</sup> December

**Inset Day:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September (School closed to pupils)

**Pupils in school:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

**Half Term:** Monday 28<sup>th</sup> – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November

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

**Pupils in school:** Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

### 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)

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

- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

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

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

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