

All Saints News

19th May 2017

Dear Parents/Carers.

Last week our Year 6 children sat through a set of English and Maths tests as schools across the country administered the end of Key Stage 2 national tests. The children's conduct, attitude and behaviour was absolutely impeccable throughout the week and they all showed enormous resilience and perseverance. Each test morning started with a SATs breakfast—an All Saints tradition. Also, prior to the start of the test papers, the whole class carried out a 'Mindfulness' relaxation activity to minimise any anxiety. We are immensely proud of our Year 6 children, the way they approached the tests and the support they provided to each other before and after the exams. They have all been real stars!

Whilst Year 6 had their heads buried in SATs papers, Year 5 children spent the last week on the Isle of Wight. This residential journey, linked strongly to the Year 5's Geography curriculum, provided the children with a fantastic opportunity to carry out important learning away from the classroom. As well as academic learning, the trip also provided plenty of other learning opportunities and social experiences. Year 5 parents will be pleased to know that all the children learned how to keep their rooms tidy!

This week, the whole school is marking Christian Aid's Refugee Week. We started the week with a special Collective Worship which highlighted the importance of everyone needing a safe place. You can read about other examples of work that children have been doing in this newsletter. We would really appreciate your donations as we try and raise money for Christian Aid to help some of the world's most vulnerable people. Please send in your donations by Friday, 26th May.

I wish you a relaxing weekend.

Heidi Otranen Headteacher





SATs breakfast enjoyed by some of the Year 6 children in a civilised and jovial atmosphere.

Christian Aid Week in aid of refugees





The whole school spent time on learning about the life and experiences of refugees and how the charity Christian Aid helps some of the world's most vulnerable people. Books such as 'The Colour of Home' by Mary Hoffman, 'Four Feet and Two Sandals' by Karen Lynn Williams and Khadra Mohammed and 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan were used as stimulus and to generate discussion.

Year 6 studied the harrowing story of a refugee boy who travelled from Iraq to Greece. The children then created story plans to write their own narrative stories of a refugee child's journey, using emotive language.





Year 2 role played what being on a dingy would be like for refugee children crossing seas. The children were very much taken by this and seemed to really understand and empathise with the frightening experiences many refugees encounter.

Isle of Wight—Year 5 Residential Trip













Summer Term 2017 Dates

Date	Event
Tues 23rd May	Nursery & Reception trip to Tropical Wings
Wed 24th May	Year 6 trip to a Buddhist Temple Ascension Day Mass at All Saints School at 9:30am—all welcome
Fri 26th May	Year 5 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Mon 29th May—Fri 2nd June	May half-term holiday
• Thurs 8th June	Nursery closed (polling day)
Fri 9th June	INSET DAY (school closed for pupils)
Mon 12th June—Fri 16th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week
Tues 20th June	Nursery & Reception (EYFS) Sports Day at 9:30am (reserve date 27/06/17)
	Year 1 & 2 (KS1) Sports Day at 1:30pm (reserve date 27/06/17)
Thurs 22nd June	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 (KS2) Sports Day at 1:15pm (reserve date 29/06/17)
Sat 24th June	PTA Summer Fayre
Fri 30th June	Year 1 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Mon 10th July	Year 5 & 6 Show Dress Rehearsal at 10am
Tues 11th July	Year 5 & 6 Show Afternoon Performance at 2pm
Wed 12th July	Year 5 & 6 Show Evening Performance at 6:30pm
Thurs 13th July	'Move Up Morning' & Year 6 children visiting secondary schools
Fri 14th July	Building Learning Power Superhero Day (more information to follow closer to the time) Annual School Reports are sent home
Thurs 20th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly at 2pm
Fri 21st July	End of School Year Mass at All Saints School at 9:30am—all welcome Last day of the summer term—school finishes at 1:30pm

• Denotes a new entry

Please note more dates will be added accordingly.