

Dear Parents/Carers,

The new term has started well and the children have settled into their daily routines. It has been great to observe the children's enthusiasm for learning, as well as their willingness to challenge themselves in order to reach their goals! I would also like to welcome back Mrs Saunders, who has returned to All Saints to teach in Year 1 with Mrs Holland.

We have already started work on our value of the half-term - courage. Basic to Christian faith is the claim that God is always present in every situation. This belief has led to great acts of courage that have included facing danger and opposition, overcoming fear, making a stand for what is right and encouraging others to persevere. Through prayer people have found the strength to help them to be courageous. 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 and enjoyable weekend.

Heidi Otranen Headteacher

Our 'words of wisdom' from the Bible this half-term:

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1.9

Nursery children braved the weather and spent a morning outside enjoying a walk in the local area. The children looked at road signs and made hibernating hedgehogs out of clay and woodland items. To keep warm they had a treat of hot chocolate! Mrs Barrington and the rest of the Nursery team were very impressed with the children's behaviour. Well done! Thank you to all the parents who joined the trip; we really appreciate your help!





It was fun being in the woods.



## BECOME A FAMILY SUPPORT

Could you use your own valuable parenting experience to support parents who are struggling to cope and help them build positive and healthy futures for their children?



Just 2-3 hours of your time each week can make a really BIG difference to a family

## Volunteer training courses

1st February 16th May

Supporting families in Dacorum, St Albans, Welwyn Hatfield, Stevenage, North Herts, East Herts

If you are interested please contact Claire or Maggie 01438 367788

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## Spring Term 2017 Dates

Date		Event	
•	Mon 23rd Jan	•	Year 2 Chinese Workshop Day
•	Fri 3rd February	•	Year 3 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
•	Tues 7th February	•	National Safer Internet Day
Mon 13th—Fri 17th February		Half-term holiday	
•	Wed 1st March	•	Ash Wednesday Service at All Saints School—10am (all welcome)
•	Thurs 2nd March	•	Isle of Wight Meeting for Year 5 parents at 7pm
•	Wed 8th March	•	Parent Consultation Evening, 3:30-5:30pm
•	Thurs 9th March	•	Parent Consultation Evening, 3:30-4:10pm & 5-7:30pm
•	Fri 17th March	•	Year 2 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Sat 18th March		PTA Quiz Night	
•	Thurs 23rd March	•	Year 2 trip to London
		•	Year 6 Music Festival at Rhodes Centre
•	Mon 27th March	•	Year 3&4 Show Dress Rehearsal at 10am
•	Tues 28th March	•	Year 3&4 Show Afternoon Performance at 2pm
•	Wed 29th March	•	Year 3&4 Show Evening Performance at 6:30pm
•	Fri 31st March	•	Easter Service at All Saints School—10am (all welcome)
		•	Spring Term finishes at 1:30pm

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Please note more dates will be added accordingly.