



Friday 13th December 2019

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Reasons to Celebrate!

Merit Awards:

Year 1: Romeo, Henry, Miles,
Max, Elliott, Christopher,
George, Alice

Elm (Y2): Freddie, Michael,
George L, George H, Tia,
Teodora, Zachary, Joh

Y4: Ivan, Camille

Y5: Freddie, Ellis, William,
Jacob, Alfie, Henry

Y6: Connie

House Points:

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

238

St Nicholas

250

St Francis

205

St Alban

233

St Hilda

Value this half term:



“My God is my strength in
whom I trust.”
(Psalm 18.2)

Dear Parents/Carers,

“Whoever is careless with the truth in small matters
cannot be trusted with important matters.”

Albert Einstein

The term feels like it has flown by! So much has been achieved and the children have had so many rich experiences to learn and enjoy their time at school. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for their support of everything we do. It has been a delight to see the children in EYFS and KS1 perform their plays, and bring the Christmas Story to life!

PTA Christmas Fayre

Thank you for your support of our Fayre this year, it was great to see so many of you there. We've raised just over £2000! A big thank you to the organising group for doing a great job.

Christmas Service – 2pm Tuesday 17th

Do join us for our Christmas Service at All Saints Church, Hockerill. Parking is available at Hockerill College from 1.30pm. The PTA will be serving tea, coffee and mince pies after the service. **We are dismissing the children from church** but any not collected or attending Night Owls will be walked back to school (please note we may not get back until around 3.45pm).

Christmas Lunch and Jumper day – Wednesday 18th

We will hold our Christmas Lunch on Wednesday, and all the children are invited to come in wearing a festive jumper. We are not collecting for charity this year, but just having some fun! Thank you!

Panto – Thursday 19th

Please remember to collect your children from the Rhodes Centre at 4pm. Thank you!

I wish you and your family a joyful and peaceful Christmas and New Year!

Philip Asher, *Headteacher*



Looking for a school place for Reception in September 2020?

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

Applications for Hertfordshire Primary Schools CLOSE on **15th January 2020**

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

Diary Dates

New dates are in bold.

December 2019

Monday 16 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS2 Christmas Parties (afternoon)
Tuesday 17 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.00pm Christmas Service – in Church (Parents invited) <i>Please park at Hockerill College (available from 1.30pm)!</i> <i>We will dismiss from church. Any children not collected will be walked back to school. Mince pies, teas and coffee served after the service in church.</i>
Wednesday 18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Lunch for all children
Thursday 19 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whole School Panto Trip (Rec – Y6, Rhodes Centre) <u>Collection is from the Rhodes Centre at 4pm – please see letter</u>
Friday 20 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.15pm End of the Autumn Term – school closes for Christmas Holiday <i>Please note the earlier collection time!</i>

January 2019

Monday 6 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Closed to pupils for Inset Day
Tuesday 7 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Term Starts – welcome back!
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 Bikeability Course
Wednesday 15 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reception Applications Deadline (online through Hertfordshire)
Monday 20 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nursery Applications for September 2020 open 9.30am Nursery Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Friday 24 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Nursery Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Tuesday 28 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Nursery Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Friday 31 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PTA Bring and Buy Sale (Details TBC)

February 2019

Thursday 6 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Nursery Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Monday 10 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9.30am Nursery Tour (for parents applying for September 2020)
Wednesday 12 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BMX Mindfulness Workshops – KS2
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Half Term Holiday (school closed)
Wednesday 26 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ash Wednesday Service



Golden Ticket Fridays!

Parents/carers can join 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. Book in advance to secure your ticket!

EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performances

Well done to all our children in Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 for their fantastic efforts performing in the Nativity. They did very well to remember all their lines and actions, and it was impressive to see such professional productions!



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.

Christmas Fayre

A few photos from the Fayre. We raised a whopping £2000 on the day. Thank you so much to everyone for their support and help, couldn't do it without you all!



Christmas Crafts



The tree looks splendid this year, beautifully decorated with artwork created by the children. Each class chose a different craft, and many of the children had to practice/learn tricky and fiddly skills to complete their craft.



Sporting Round Up: Rapid Fire Quick Cricket, Y4

A team of 8 Y4 pupils represented the school at a recent tournament. Here's their report:

On Thursday 5th December, Camille, Eve, Georgia, Xanna, Ivan, Oscar, Charlie C and Daniel went to HECCSport in Sawbridgeworth to participate in a Rapid-Fire Cricket tournament. Rapid-Fire Cricket is a fun and friendly version of the sport which is easy for anybody to try, even if you've never played cricket before. Team All Saints played four games against Richard Whittington, Manor Fields, High Wych and Summercroft. Despite losing the first two games the team really improved and we beat High Wych by two whole runs! Unfortunately, we then faced our local arch-rivals (and eventual finalists), Summercroft, in our final game which was a tough match, All Saints losing by just a few runs.

Mr Sanders said, "The team were fantastic and made the whole school very proud with their effort, enthusiasm and team-work!"

The team would like to say a big thankyou to Mrs Horwath-Reilly and Mr Sanders for taking us and supporting us through all the matches.

Written by Eve C and Georgia M (All Saints News Reporters)



Sharing Safeguarding

The school has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly between schools and Hertfordshire Constabulary. Operation Encompass is the notification to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, of incidents when a child or young person has experienced or been exposed to any domestic abuse.



Operation Encompass will ensure that a member of the school safeguarding staff is trained to allow them to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared in confidence. Whilst also ensuring that the school is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have been experienced a domestic abuse incident. We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

Remember: If you have any concerns about a child, please speak to one of the school's Designated Senior Persons: Mr Asher, Miss Brooks or Mrs Moore. Alternatively, telephone **0300 123 4043**.

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 touch a rainbow?

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>

Term Dates 2020-21

Autumn Term: 3rd September – 18th December 2020

Inset Days: Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th September (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Monday 7th September – Friday 23rd October

Half Term: Monday 26th – Friday 30th October

Pupils in school: Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December

Spring Term: 4th January – 26th March 2021

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

Pupils in school: Tuesday 5th January – Friday 12th February

Half Term: Monday 15th – Friday 19th February

Pupils in school: Monday 22nd February – Friday 26th March

Summer Term: 12th April – 22nd July 2021

Inset Day: Monday 12th April (School closed to pupils)

Pupils in school: Tuesday 13th April – Friday 28th May

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May (School closed)

Half Term: Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Inset Day: Monday 7th June (School closed to pupils)

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