



All Saints News

27th November 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

The countdown to Christmas has officially started and the children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 are busily preparing for their Christmas productions which will take place shortly. We also have our whole school Carol Concert to look forward to on Wednesday 16th December, at 6:30pm, in All Saints Church. This service in candlelight is very special indeed so I hope to see you all there. Furthermore, we have the whole school trip to the pantomime (oh no we don't, oh yes we do!) coming up—more information about this will be sent to you via parent mail soon.

I would like to thank our wonderful PTA for the fantastic Christmas Fayre everyone got to enjoy last Saturday. We are very lucky to have extremely committed and hardworking PTA members and volunteers who make such an effort for the children. I would also like to thank the PTA for their very generous donation made to the school; both Reception and Year 1 classes have had brand new interactive whiteboards installed today thanks to the funds provided by the PTA. This will really help to enhance children's learning further!

Wishing you a relaxing and peaceful weekend.

Heidi Otranen
Headteacher



Meet our very first 'Peacelings'! These children were nominated for their peaceful actions and problem solving. Well done and we look forward to seeing more and more peacelings as the term progresses.

The Aviatrix Project visits All Saints

Key Stage 2 classes had a special treat today, when two pilots, Kanchana Gamage and Sharon Nicholson visited the school to tell the children about flying and being a pilot. Kanchana Gamage, the founder of 'The Aviatrix Project' shared her passion for flying with the children and also talked to them about famous female pilots from around the world. The aim of The Aviatrix Project is to raise aspirations and to promote aviation as an exciting and accessible career choice, helping to inspire and encourage women and girls to take to the skies.

Year 5 children also participated in a workshop to learn more about the principles of flight and had a chance to ask questions from Kanchana and Sharon. Sharon, who works as a safety inspector for the Civil Aviation Authority, shared stories of her career as a commercial pilot, flying all around the world. All Saints is the very first school The Aviatrix Project visited and we are very keen to be involved with the project in order to enthuse and excite our pupils, especially girls, about aviation. The key message from Kanchana and Sharon's visit was that through perseverance and hard work, anyone can achieve their dreams!



Christmas Fayre 'thank you'

A huge thank you to all who helped to make last Saturday's Christmas Fayre happen. From those who spent a lot of time gathering donations for our great prizes to those who helped at the sorting night/mornings; to those who helped set up Friday evening and Saturday morning to those who helped out on stalls - it couldn't happen without you so thank you very, very much!

Finally thank you to those who came along with your friends & families to support by spending your pennies; we hope you had a great time!!!

If you won on the Jam Jar Tombola and don't need your jars, please could you bring your empty Jam Jars into reception this week, as we will store them so they are all ready for the Summer.

If you have any feedback on the fayre from yourself or your children or how your stall ran please do email pta@allsaints.herts.sch.uk

Many thanks,
The PTA



Polite notice—we are having problems with our school website provider and therefore have been unable to update any information on our website. We are currently in the process of changing website providers and are hoping to launch our new website soon. Thank you for your understanding.



Save a Date— Wednesday 3rd February 2016

We will be holding an Online Safety Workshop for parents on Wednesday 3rd February 2016 (time to be confirmed). Please put this date into your diary and join us to learn about how to keep your child safe when online.

Autumn Term 2015 Dates

Date	Event
Tues 1st December	Year 4 Greek Day
Fri 4th December	Christmas Design Technology Day
Tues 8th December	Nursery & Reception Nativity performance to parents at 9:30am Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show dress rehearsal at 11am
Wed 9th December	Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show performance at 2pm
Thurs 10th December	Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show performance at 2pm
Mon 14th December	Infant Christmas Parties (pm)
Tues 15th December	Junior Christmas Parties (pm)
Wed 16th December	Christmas Dinner Day Christmas Carol Service at All Saints Church at 6:30pm
Thurs 17th December	Pantomime at the Rhodes Centre (Reception to Year 6)
Fri 18th December	Autumn Term finishes at 1:30pm

Spring Term 2016 Dates

Date	Event
Mon 4th January	INSET DAY (school closed for pupils)
Tues 5th January	Spring term commences
Mon 15th February—Fri 19th February	Half-term holiday
Thurs 24th March	Spring Term finishes at 1:30pm

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Please note more dates will be added accordingly.