

All Saints News

24th October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of a busy half-term. I can't quite believe half a term has already passed!

Thank you so much for your support with our Food Bank collection for Harvest. By the time the collection was made there was a mountain for them to take.

Our Autumn Term parents' evenings, which will take place directly after half-term, will give you an opportunity to look at the children's books and find out detailed information about their learning and progress.

Thank you to the Nursery and Reception parents who were able to attend this week's curriculum evenings. I hope these meetings have given you a better understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and how best to support your children's learning and development at home.

This newsletter is rather long but there was so much to share! I hope you enjoy reading about the events that have or will take place.

I wish you a relaxing half-term.

Ms Brooks

Equalities Action Plan 2018-21

As a school we are required, every four years, to set objectives around equality. Here are the objectives for 2018-2021. To see the detailed actions please go to our website.

To develop awareness and understanding of homophobia and gender identity related discrimination.

To narrow gaps in attainment between disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINE

The secondary application closing date is 31st October. It is recommended that parents complete applications by Friday 27th October as there will be limited cover over the weekend to offer support.

Harvest Service

in aid of Bishop's Stortford Food Bank

Thank you so much for all your plentiful donations in aid of Bishop's Stortford Food Bank. These have now been delivered to the Food Bank who were very grateful for our support. For those of you who were unable to attend our Harvest Service, the theme was a Harvest of Colours with each class taking a colour or theme related to this.



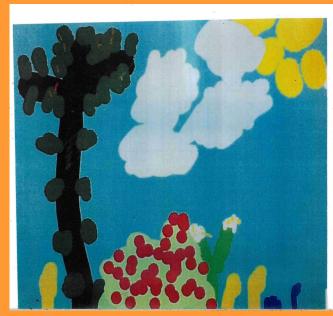


Reception created a beautiful handprint rainbow and sang us a song all about harvest. Followed by Year 2 who recited a poem with actions all about the colour red. Year 3 kept us entertained with a song all about the joys of conkers!

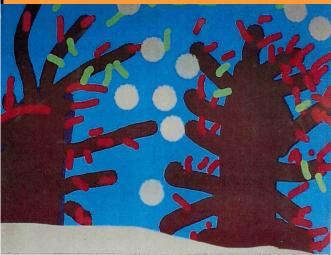
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Year 1 paraded down the aisle to show off their wonderful David Hockney inspired computer drawings showing the colours of the seasons. Year four recited a poem about the colour of orange-who knew there were so many things to list! Year 5 performed a thought provoking play called The Rainbow People which demonstrated how we should all share what we have. Our finale was a dance performed, down the aisle by Year 6, to illustrate the colour blue to Handel's Water music.









Children in Need

The School Council will be holding a fundraising day on 16th November when the children can come to school in their pyjamas for a minimum donation of $\pounds 1$. Please make sure you have shoes or trainers on during the day, not slippers.



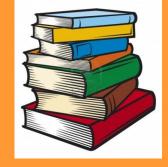
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We have recently signed up to benefit from this. Every time you buy something online though the site, once you have nominated us, we will receive a donation. To find out more about how it works please go to www.thegivingmachine.co.uk. This is an easy way to support the school and as Christmas is fast approaching, a great time to make the most of all that spending!

Read Every Day in November

Reading little and often is very important for children and to promote this the children will be bringing home a calendar for the month of November. We would like the children to read every day that month, for a minimum of five



minutes. Please sign the calendar to show that this has happened. At the end of the month if the children have managed to do this they will be presented with a certificate in one of our Friday assemblies.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

As the month came to a close we celebrated the end of Black History Month with an assembly organised by some of our parents and children. It was lovely to hear about their families and celebrate their heritage.





Autumn Term 2018 Dates

Date	Event
Fri 26th October	Year 4 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Mon 29th October to Fri 2nd November	HALF-TERM HOLIDAY
Tues 6th November	Parents' Evening -3:30-5.20pm
Wed 7th November	All Saints Day Mass at 9:30am
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Fri 16th November	Children in Need (wear your PJs day!) £1 donation
Fri 16th November	EYFS/KS1 Achievement Assembly 2.45 pm
Thurs 22nd Nov- 23rd Nov	Life Bus
Fri 23rd November	KS2 Achievement Assembly 2.45pm
Thurs 29th November	Dress Down Day- PTA Please bring a minimum donation of £1
Fri 30th November	Year 6 Class Assembly 2.45pm
Fri 30th November	Christmas Design and Technology Day
	Dress Down Day -PTA Please bring packets of sweets and jam
	jars filled with sweets for the Christmas Fayre.
Sat 1st December	PTA Christmas Fayre 1-4pm
Tues 11th December	EYFS Nativity Performance 11 am
Tues 11th December	KS1 Nativity Performance 2.00pm
Wed 12th November	KS1 Nativity Performance 2.00pm
Fri 14th December	EYFS/KS1 Achievement Assembly 2.45pm
Mon 17th December	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Parties
Tues 18th December	KS2 Christmas Party
Wed 19th December	Christmas Dinner Day
Thurs 20th December	Pantomime at The Rhodes Centre
Fri 21st December	Term ends 1.15pm

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Please note more dates will be added accordingly.