



# All Saints News

11th September 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back everyone! I hope you have enjoyed a relaxing holiday and been able to re-charge your batteries for the new school year. I would like to warmly welcome all our new children and parents who have joined us this term as well as new members of staff. I hope you all will be very happy here at All Saints.

I am very pleased to tell you that we managed to secure funding once again from the St Albans Diocese to complete the window and window walling project started last summer. This means that the windows and window walling of the main school have completely been replaced. As well as this, four of the eight classrooms were re-decorated during the summer break and we are planning on re-decorating the remaining of the classrooms next summer. Thank you very much to Mr Heffer, our Caretaker, who was very busy over the holiday period making sure all the premises projects were running smoothly.

Our value for this half-term is Justice. The justice revealed in the Bible is always seen in the context of love. It includes the call to take responsibility for one another, especially the poor and oppressed, and to see that no one is excluded from the essentials of life. We will be exploring this value through our Collective Worship and RE lessons. 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. Please make a note of the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions as listed in this newsletter. These sessions are very useful in finding out more information about the expectations of your child's new year group, as well as general information about the class routines and curriculum topics. The sessions will also give you a chance to ask any questions from the teachers that you may have.

Heidi Otranen  
Headteacher

# \*Meet the Teacher' Sessions

Year 1 (Ash)—Wednesday 23rd September at 2:45pm

Year 2 (Elm)—Tuesday 15th September at 2:45pm

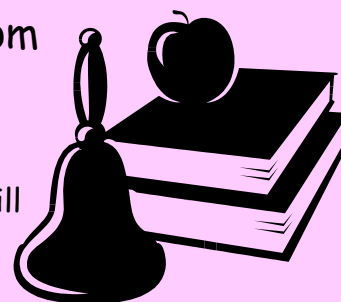
Year 3—Thursday 24th September at 2:45pm

Year 4—Wednesday 23rd September at 2:45pm

Year 5—Wednesday 16th September at 2:45pm

Year 6—Thursday 17th September at 2:45pm

Please note that Reception (Oak) and Nursery (Acorns) will have separate Curriculum Evenings later on in the Autumn term.

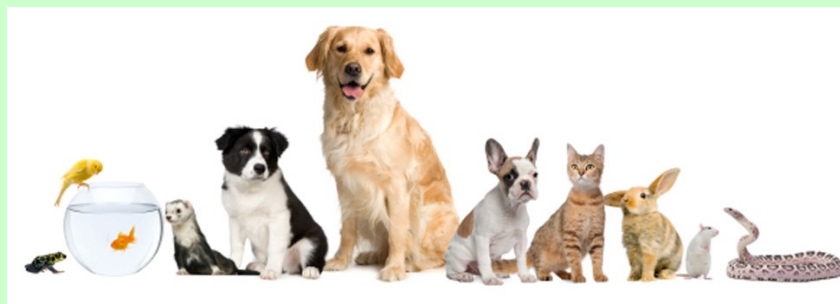


## Polite Notice—Data Collection

It is time once again to review and complete Data Collection sheets, which will be sent out next week. Please check your details and make any necessary amendments. Please only return the sheet to the School Office, if you have made any changes to your details.

**All Saints PTA runs second hand uniform sales every first Thursday of each month after school in the school hall.**

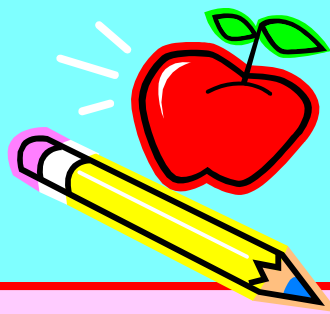
Bring your pets to Church for a  
Thanksgiving for animals and pets on  
11th October 2015 at 2pm



'And God made even some very special animals that were more tame than the rest. This was all part of his big, wonderful plan.'



# Back to School!



## Term Dates for the Academic Year 2015/2016

### Autumn Term 2015

Wednesday 2nd September — INSET Day (school closed for pupils)

Thursday 3rd September — School starts

Friday 23rd October — INSET Day (school closed for pupils)

Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October — HALF-TERM

Friday 18th December — last day of the Autumn Term

### Spring Term 2016

Monday 4th January — INSET Day (school closed for pupils)

Tuesday 5th January — School starts

Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February — HALF-TERM

Thursday 24th March — last day of the Spring Term

### Summer Term 2016

Monday 11th April — INSET Day (school closed for pupils)

Tuesday 12th April — School starts

Friday 27th May — Occasional Day (school closed)

Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June — HALF-TERM

Friday 17th June — INSET Day (school closed for pupils)

Friday 22nd July — last day of the Summer Term



4pm Sunday

22 November 2015

Fun, crafts, celebration time & food

For more information contact Fr Simon 01279 506542 or  
Mtr Su 07 880 940 580

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# Autumn Term 2015 Dates

Date	Event
Tues 15th September	Year 3 & 4 Swimming lessons commence Year 2 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Wed 16th September	Year 5 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Thurs 17th September	Year 6 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Wed 23rd September	Year 1 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm Year 4 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Thurs 24th September	Year 3 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Fri 25th September	European Day of Languages celebrations
Mon 28th September	PTA AGM Meeting at 8pm at All Saints School
Fri 2nd October	Individual and family photographs
Wed 7th October	Harvest Service at All Saints Church at 10am
Sun 11th October	Thanksgiving Service for animals and pets at All Saints Church at 2pm
Fri 16th October	Year 4 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Fri 23rd October	INSET Day (school closed for pupils)
Mon 26th October to Fri 30th October	HALF-TERM HOLIDAY
Tues 3rd November	PTA Shopping Night—time TBC
Wed 4th November	All Saints Day celebrations, including Mass at 10am (all welcome) Parent Consultation Evening—3:30pm to 5:30pm
Thurs 5th November	Parent Consultation Evening—3:30pm to 4:10pm & 5pm to 7:30pm
Wed 11th November	PTA Non-uniform Day in exchange for Christmas Fayre donations
Mon 16th November	Friendship Week commences (Anti-bullying Week)
Wed 18th November	PTA Non-uniform Day in exchange for Christmas Fayre donations
Sat 21st November	PTA Christmas Fayre, 12-3pm
Fri 27th November	Year 6 Class Assembly
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)

# Autumn Term 2015 Dates

Date	Event
Wed 16th December	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

- Denotes a new entry

Please note more dates will be added accordingly.