

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back everyone! I hope everyone feels nicely refreshed after the summer break; what fantastic weather we got to enjoy! 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.

The classrooms and the school environment are looking fantastic. The Nursery building has had a makeover as the old windows and doors have been replaced and the back garden area has been re-developed. Also, Year 2, 3 and Reception classrooms have all been painted and new blinds have been installed. All the classrooms are looking very fresh and the staff have worked hard setting up the learning environments ready for the children's arrival. A special 'thank you' once again goes 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 Generosity. God's generosity is best described as 'grace', love given freely without limit or conditions. This generosity, once experienced and acknowledged by an individual, can in turn release a generous spirit towards others. 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



Nursery doors and windows have now also been replaced and children have very much enjoyed the redeveloped Nursery garden area, with levelled ground and new surfaces.



\*Meet the Teacher' Sessions

Year 1 (Ash)—Tuesday 27th September at 2:45pm

Year 2 (Elm)—Tuesday 20th September at 2:45pm

Year 3—Monday 26th September at 2:45pm

Year 4—Wednesday 28th September at 2:45pm

Year 5—Thursday 22nd September at 2:45pm

Year 6—Monday 19th September at 2:45pm

Please note that Reception (Oak) and Nursery (Acorns) will have separate Curriculum Meetings 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. <u>Please only return the sheet</u> to the School Office, if you have made any changes to your details.

## Autumn Term 2016 Dates

Date	Event
Tues 13th September	Year 4 Swimming lessons commence
Mon 19th September	Year 6 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Tues 20th September	Year 2 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Thurs 22nd September	Year 5 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Fri 23rd September	European Day of Languages celebrations
Mon 26th September	Year 3 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm PTA AGM Meeting at 8pm at All Saints School
Tues 27th September	Year 1 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Wed 28th September	Year 4 'Meet the teacher' session at 2:45pm
Fri 30th September	Individual and family photographs
Tues 4th October	Early Years Foundation Stage (Nursery & Reception) Harvest Morning
Wed 5th October	Harvest Service at All Saints Church at 10am—all welcome
Tues 11th October	Nursery Curriculum Meeting at 7:30pm
Fri 21st October	Year 4 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Mon 24th October to Fri 28th October	HALF-TERM HOLIDAY
Tues 1st November	Year 3 Swimming lessons commence
Wed 2nd November	All Saints Day celebrations, including Mass at 9:30am (all welcome) Parent Consultation Evening—3:30pm to 5:30pm
Thurs 3rd November	Parent Consultation Evening—3:30pm to 4:20pm & 5pm to 7:20pm
Mon 14th November	Friendship Week commences (Anti-bullying Week)
Tues 29th November	'Mindfulness' Parenting Workshop, 9-11am, all welcome (more details to follow)
Fri 2nd December	Christmas Design Technology Day
Fri 9th December	Year 6 Class Assembly at 2:45pm
Mon 12th December	Nursery & Reception Nativity dress rehearsal at 10am Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show dress rehearsal at 2pm
Tues 13th December	Nursery & Reception Nativity performance at 11am Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show performance at 2pm
Wed 14th December	Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) Christmas Show performance at 2pm Christmas Carol Service at All Saints Church at 6:30pm
Thurs 15th December	Junior Christmas Parties (pm)
Fri 16th December	Nursery and Reception Christmas Party (am) Infant Christmas Parties (pm)

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Date	Event
Mon 19th December	Christmas Dinner Day
Tues 20th December	Pantomime at the Rhodes Centre (Reception to Year 6)
Wed 21st December	Autumn Term finishes at 1:30pm

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Please note more dates will be added accordingly.