



# All Saints CE Primary School & Nursery

*Nurturing, Resilience and Achievement for all!*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## RE: Newsletter No34

The Early Years and KS1 children had their brilliant Sports Day this morning. Once again, there was a great atmosphere – they cheered each other, celebrated and encouraged. We took lots of photos, and currently they're being transferred from cameras to servers so we can publish them (we'll also need to check permissions etc.).

I'm sorry – the busy-ness of the last week and a very slow internet connection has delayed sorting photos for the website from last week's KS2 event. I hope to have them sorted by Monday!

**Bubble Closure** – you'll be aware by now that we have unfortunately had to close one of our bubbles. It is a very real reminder that this isn't over just yet! Please do take care over the weekend. The rules about self-isolation are still applicable (until 16<sup>th</sup> August).

## Changes to Guidance – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July

The Government have now released preliminary updates to the existing guidance for schools following the planned lifting of restrictions later this month. Please note, that with only four days left to the end of term after the rule changes, we do not plan to significantly change our current arrangements. It would not be practical to do so for just a few days. However, some things may change and I will write again next week to outline these.

Our Damien Hurst inspired **Artwork** from the workshops last week has now been constructed and a photo taken (from a great height!). We loved doing it, and hope you agree the end result is spectacular!

## Reasons to Celebrate!!

Star Learner Shout Outs:	Merit Milestones:	Personal Achievements:
Bertie & Eliza-Rose (Rec) Danny & George W (Yr1) Indigo-Ivy & Ruby (Yr2) Mikey & Kaitlin (Yr 3) Ananya & Bella N (Yr 4) Ivan & Chris (Yr 5) All of Y6 for handling this morning very calmly (Yr6)	<u>Silver:</u> Thomas, Ivan, Eve C, Lola, Harry F, Georgia M, Chris K  <u>Gold:</u> Mason, Libby, Ellie, Will, Ellis	<i>If you have something to celebrate from home, let me know – email the school office or catch me at the gate one morning!</i>

## EYFS and KS1 Sports Day

The children in Nursery and Reception enjoyed lots of different activities – including egg and spoon races, javelin, and 'the beanbag one' (that's how the children described it at least!). They did brilliantly and had a great time, lots of smiles!

Year 1 and Year 2 also had their sports day in house groups completing a number of sporting challenges, including running, obstacle courses, and jumping! The winning house was..... **St Hilda!** Well done to all the children. The atmosphere was perfect, with lots of cheering and encouraging each other. Thank you to the staff for organising!

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## **Y3 Are Match Ready!**



### **MONDAY REGISTERS...**

We will keep registers open a little longer on Monday, since we imagine a few children will be tired after a busy night....

School opens at normal time for everyone, BUT children will not be marked late unless they arrive after 9.45am, giving everyone a little 'extra time' to get here if they need it.

Arrivals after 9am should be through the Main Entrance, otherwise normal entrances please.

We would rather the children came in than missed a day at school...

## Summer Reading Challenge

We're joining in with the Summer Reading Challenge!

Find out more here: [Summer Reading Challenge](#)

It starts on Saturday and runs throughout the summer.

Upcoming Events... all being well!!	
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 Activity Week (in lieu of Residential Trip)
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Due to the Bubble Closure, we've POSTPONED the Production to Thursday to allow the children time to rehearse together – thank you for understanding!
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	<p>Staggered times from 1.15pm: END OF TERM - school closes for all (we are hoping an Ice Cream Van will be available on the school car park for those wanting an end of term treat, courtesy of the PTA).</p> <p>1.45pm: Y6 Production &amp; Leavers Awards Ceremony – after school, outside (Weather Dependent!) – parents invited – maximum 2 per child, sitting in household groups (we will provide chairs!).</p>

*Please note that we will be adhering to COVID measures as required by either regulation or the school's risk assessments. Some events are dependent on restrictions being lifted.*

## PTA News:

### Doughnut Day!

Thank you for your support! We hope you enjoy them!!!

### Sunflower Competition

How's yours coming along? Don't forget to share your progress and measurements with us through our Facebook page, and final measurements need to be submitted by 3<sup>rd</sup> September!

### Second-Hand Uniform

Getting ready for next year? Please let us know if you need anything and we will do what we can. Email: [admin@allsaints.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@allsaints.herts.sch.uk) with your name, child's name, items you need and sizes.

### Amazon Smile – [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk)

Please do sign up to our Amazon Smile page – when you buy from Amazon through [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk), Amazon give a small percentage of the sale (at NO COST TO YOU!!!) to our PTA!! If everyone did this, we'd raise enough to support an activity workshop in school for all the children. Please do consider doing it if you haven't already! Thank you.

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Our Damien Hurst Inspired artwork!

The Rainbow blocks were painted by the younger classes, and the older children designed the wings.

We loved doing it!

## Checking for COVID:

Please do not use Lateral Flow home tests to check for COVID when you or your child has any suspected symptoms (including a temperature, cough, loss of taste/smell).

The Government guidance states if someone has suspected symptoms, **they should use a PCR test to confirm if it is COVID**. A Lateral Flow home test is for routine asymptomatic (no symptoms) testing only.

[Get a coronavirus test - GOV.UK \(test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/test-for-coronavirus).

If anyone in your household has suspected symptoms, the household must self-isolate for 10 days and seek a PCR test for the symptomatic person.

### Suspected Case or Positive Test Result?

#### During the week let us know through the school office:

Email: [admin@allsaints.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@allsaints.herts.sch.uk)  
Telephone: 01279 836006, Opt4

#### At the weekend or holidays:

Email: [dsl@allsaints.herts.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@allsaints.herts.sch.uk)

Please do tell us if there is a positive case so we can take appropriate actions to inform others and protect the community as a whole. Thank you.

We will always inform the school community if there is a positive case in school, and any further actions they may need to take. We will not share any personal details when we need to do this, in line with data protection rules.

The County Council have also asked us to make sure all parents are aware they can claim a **Test & Trace Payment** if they have to self-isolate, are then unable to work and meet certain other income related criteria – you don't necessarily have to be in receipt of benefits to be eligible! Find out more here: <https://www.gov.uk/test-and-trace-support-payment>

Thank you!

Take care – COVID is still in our community.

Please continue to show your determination and resilience as we move slowly towards normality. There is still a way to go yet – and not everyone is vaccinated! Thank you for playing your part in keeping our community safe.

## A Prayer for a Restless World –

Father in heaven,  
Thank you for family - watch over my loved ones,  
Thank you for play - help me to be happy and free,  
Thank you for my school - teach me to listen and learn,  
Thank you for food and rest -  
you give us lovely food and peaceful sleep.  
Thank you for all these wonderful things,  
Amen.

*CofE Website, Topical Prayers*

Take care, keep safe, and remember to wash your hands!

Kind regards,  
Philip Asher, *Headteacher*

## Additional Help for Families

Below are a list of organisations and places you can find help and support if you need it:

- Aspects Family Support - <http://www.aspects.org.uk/> or telephone 01279 758134
- School Nursing Team - <https://www.hct.nhs.uk/our-services/school-nursing/>
- Family Lives - <https://www.familylives.org.uk/> or telephone 0808 800 2222
- Action for Children - <https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/what-we-do/parents-and-families/>
- NSPCC - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>
- Childline - <https://www.childline.org.uk/> or telephone 0800 1111
- Stay Strong website: [www.staystrong.org.uk](http://www.staystrong.org.uk)
- Citizens Advice Bureau - 03444 111 444 or: <https://citizensadviceeastherts.org.uk/>
- Children's Centre - <https://www.hertsfamilycentres.org/family-centres.aspx>
- Bishops Stortford Food Bank – [bsfoodbank.coordinator@gmail.com](mailto:bsfoodbank.coordinator@gmail.com) or on Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/pg/bsfoodbank/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/bsfoodbank/about/?ref=page_internal)
- Hertfordshire Children's Services – <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/childrens-social-care/childrens-social-care.aspx> or telephone 0300 123 4043
- Essex Children's Services (if you live in Essex) – telephone 0345 6037627