



# All Saints CE Primary School & Nursery

*Nurturing, Resilience and Achievement for all!*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## RE: Newsletter No23

What a term! In keeping with all the previous school terms for the last year, it has been a rollercoaster! We are very proud of the way the children have responded to all they've been asked to do – at home and now in school. It has not been easy, and we still have some way to go, but they worked hard and tried hard to do their very best.

The Easter Break is very much needed by the children (and staff), not least because the mental exhaustion of having to work in so many different ways means they need some time to rest and relax – do something other for a while.

This week, I encouraged the children to be Values Ambassadors – showing our school values in their actions and attitudes. We talked about the difficult decisions the Government and others have had to make over the last year and linked it to the decisions we all have to make on a daily basis about how we show we care. We have considered the Easter Story once more and thought about how Jesus' decision to continue on the path God had set for him – no matter how difficult it would be – was an important lesson to learn about being true to ourselves and taking the difficult decisions to do the right thing.

I wonder if you took part in the doorstep vigil earlier this week. In school we have been using the symbol of daffodils in our artwork to reflect on the joy of Spring, being back together to restart where we left off (much the same as daffodils and other bulb-plants do each year). In school this week, we've been thinking of how and what can return to 'normal' (whatever that is!) next term. We will share as soon as we can. Small steps!

To celebrate the anniversary of my very first video message to the children, I have compiled as many of the Minion's clips I could into one long reel! I shared it in Celebration Assembly today, and it's on the website here: [http://www.allsaints.herts.sch.uk/website/a\\_year\\_of\\_minions\\_-\\_happy\\_easter/550971](http://www.allsaints.herts.sch.uk/website/a_year_of_minions_-_happy_easter/550971) Enjoy!

Finally, the PTA have kindly arranged for each child to have an Easter Egg! Thank you!

Thank you for all your support, understanding and patience this term. It has made the world of difference to our ability to get through this together.

## Star Learners & Merit Milestones

Star Learner Shout Outs:	Merit Milestones:				
Grace & Thea (Rec)	<u>Yellow:</u>		<u>Merit Award:</u>		<u>Silver:</u>
Matteo & Ruby (Y1)	Macey	Rebekah	Henry	Tia	Hristyan
James & Ruby (Y2)	Chris R	Elliott	Ella S	Violet	Anelia
Freddie & Zara (Y3)	Indigo-Ivy	Thomas	Leo L		Dominic
Zara & John (Y4)	James	Lacey	Rosa		
Thomas, Charlie, Poppy, Camille (Y5)	<u>Green:</u>				
William & Libby (Y6)	Ollie				
					Gold:
					Alfie H
					Ivaylo
					Sam J
					Amelie
					Freddie B

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## HAPpy Programme

Hertfordshire County Council has joined forces with Herts Sports Partnership to organise a programme of activity for the Easter holidays and this offer is now live and open for bookings. There are some holiday face-to-face schemes running in different venues across the county for children and young people aged between 5-16 years old.

Families who receive benefit related free school meals can book for free and should have been sent a code, if you haven't received this, please use this temporary code including the hashtag: #E77ZD

Places are limited and strictly on a first come first served basis so be quick – you will be able to search for any close to you and book online at: <https://sportinherts.org.uk/happy/booking/>

In addition, there are a range of fun online resources aimed at providing ideas and activities to achieve 60 minutes of physical activity each day for you and your family -

<https://sportinherts.org.uk/peschoolsport/behappy/>

## Relationships & Sex Education Consultation (RSE)

Thank you if you have submitted your views – there's still time! We are consulting on our policy and curriculum developments for RSE. Mrs Francis has made a video to explain the changes and what our policy is, and we have put together a survey for parents.



Please click the clipboard logo to go to the page on our website.

They will be live until the end of this term. Thank you for your help!

## COVID Symptoms in the Holidays:

If your child develops symptoms in **the first three days** of the holiday, please let us know.

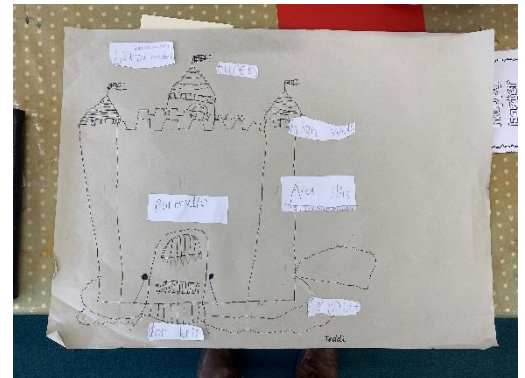
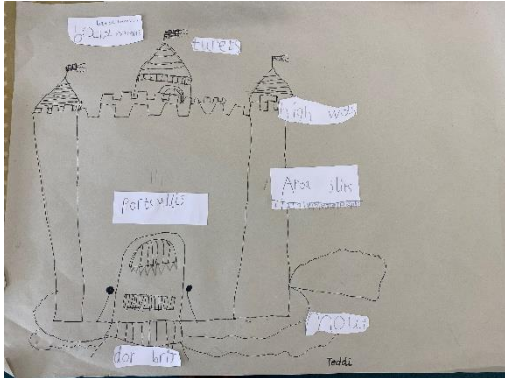
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This is so we can contact families who may then need to self-isolate as part of the Track & Trace system. The Government has asked this of schools once again, so we will need to be vigilant. Also a reminder that self-isolation is required if any member of the household develops symptoms.

Thank you!



## Y1 Castles







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## Y4 Daffodils



## PTA News:

### Second-Hand Uniform

We have a fair bit of stock available of good quality uniform. Not just 'logo' items! Trousers, t-shirts, dresses, etc. 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.

Send in your used Ink Cartridges to recycle them and raise money for school! We now have a collecting bin in the Main Entrance.

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#### Have you printing from home during lockdown?

Please do remember to keep collecting your empty ink cartridges for recycling. The Ink Bin pledge to recycle as much of the single-use plastic as possible and also send away some cartridges for refilling in order to reduce their carbon miles. For refillable cartridges, the company will give the school money which we can spend on exciting new equipment. Please do check at home and at work to see if you have any old cartridges which can be brought into school- every cartridge makes a difference!

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## A Prayer for the Nation –

Lord Jesus, you rode into Jerusalem  
On a donkey to suffer and to die for us.  
Keep us close to you as journey  
Through this Holy Week  
And give us a happy and joyful Easter.

Amen

*Ven. Geoffrey Sidaway*

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
- 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 0300 123 4034
- 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
- School Nursing Team - <https://www.hct.nhs.uk/our-services/school-nursing/>
- Stay Strong website: [www.staystrong.org.uk](http://www.staystrong.org.uk)

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