



All Saints C. of E. Primary School

JANUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER

Head Teacher: Mrs J. Beech

Myself and the Staff wish you a happy, healthy new year and hope you had a lovely Christmas holiday.

Governor Vacancy

We have a position available for a Diocesan Parent Governor (Parent at All Saints School that attends Church). If you are interested in finding out more about what being a Governor involves please come and see me and I'll be happy to talk you about it.



Family Forum

I mentioned on the last newsletter I am keen to run some ideas past parents with the help of Mrs. Poxon. Some of you have helped in the past to look over things like our anti-bullying policy or suggest ways that we can keep improving. Your feedback counts. We are holding a brief meeting about what it means to be on the All Saints Family Forum—come along just to see if it's for you. No qualifications necessary just being a mom, dad or grandparent. Join us on Monday 23rd January at 3:30pm in the school hall.



School Website:

Keeping Safe activities for children

Go to our website and click on the Think U Know icon on the homepage. Children have been shown how to navigate around it in assembly. It's a fun interactive game centred around a cybercafé. Children can meet the characters and be faced with activities to help the characters make good decisions centred around internet safety, emailing, text messaging and forums. Take a look with your children in Key Stage 2.



February half term holiday club

There will be a holiday club between Monday 13th February & Friday 17th February this year provided by Sports Plus Ltd. One of their sports coaches Miss McDonnell is a regular on the All Saints staff team so the children know her well. The scheme will run each day 10:00am — 3:00pm and children will need to bring a packed lunch. A letter from Sports Plus will be sent out to you soon so you can reserve a place. This should be returned to Miss McDonnell in school. Price packages are as follows:

- 5 days = £25.00
- 4 days = £22.00
- 3 days = £20.00
- 2 days = £15.00
- 1 day = £10.00

Look out for the letter soon.



Training Days

Reminder that training days for the rest of this academic year are:

- Friday 10th February
- Monday 25th June
- Friday 20th July

So school will be closed to pupils on these days. We will publish training days for the next academic year later this term.



Pantomime

We have Beauty & The Beast coming to All Saints on Thursday 26th January.....oh no you haven't.....oh yes we have (sorry!). This is a special new year treat for your children from us. The pantomime will be delivered by M&M Productions who have already brought Cinderella and Alice in Wonderland to All Saints.



Year 5 & 6 at Ingestre Hall

The children that attended this residential had a great time and as always represented All Saints school well with their excellent behaviour. Thanks to Miss Allden, Miss Tonks and Mr Seex for giving up their time to accompany them.



Drama Club

Drama club started back this week with Miss Fletcher our visiting specialist drama teacher for those children successful at audition last term. More auditions are planned for later this term for new children to try out and then join the club. Your children will be told when they will be in school.



Breakfast Club

We currently have some places available at our breakfast club. Children are given breakfast and are supervised with good quality activities before school. The price is £2.50 per day and children can be dropped off from 8:00am. Please see Mrs. Poxon to reserve a place for the full week or on set days to suit your child care needs.

Keep off the Grass

Please help us to preserve our school grounds by reminding your children not to climb or walk on the wall at the front of school and not to run on the grass at the front of school.



Little Angels

Reminder that our mother and toddler group meets every Tuesday morning in our school hall from 9:30—11:00. This is run by Hillside Children's Centre staff come along—you are most welcome.



Year 3 & 4 Residential

Some children in Years 3 & 4 are off on their residential visit to the Frank Chapman Outdoor Education Centre on Monday 23rd January, Returning to school on Friday 27th January. Mrs. Fox and Miss. Whistance will be accompanying them.



Parking outside School

Parents are politely reminded that when picking up and dropping off their child(ren) to take care not to block the driveways of residents in Wilford Road or stop on the yellow zig-zag markings outside of school. Traffic Wardens are now patrolling the area for cars that are obstructing the highway. Thank you for your cooperation.



School Roof

More repairs have been carried out to repair the school roof following some minor flooding during the heavy rain over the Christmas holiday.



Reminder of School Priorities for this academic year

Our School Improvement Plan is divided into four sections, here are some of our main priorities this year:

Raising Standards & Accelerating Progress

- Ensure all children make good progress in writing and maths.
- Continue to raise good to outstanding teaching.
- Produce pupil & parent success criteria to help all children to be even better writers.
- Produce well presented and marked books to show pupil progress.

Leadership & Management

- Continue to talk with teachers & learning support practitioners about pupil progress & plan ways to support children that need more help.
- Continue to build strong relationships with parents and ask parents to develop more policies and work closely with us to keep improving.
- Continue to run training for families & parents and look at new ways to report back to parents more regularly.
- Keep working hard to improve attendance in school.
- Have outstanding procedures for safeguarding children.

Curriculum

- Use of outdoors for learning including starting our forest school
- Increase opportunities for drama and speaking or listening.
- Hold regular school council meetings for children's class representatives.
- Hold an Arts & Cultures week to raise awareness.

Buildings, Grounds, & the Learning Environment

- We will continue to report back regularly on the improvements and maintenance of the school.

Dates for your diary...

January	February (cont)
16th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)	21st — Parents Evening
23rd— 27th - Year 3 & 4 Residential to Frank Chapman	24th— Year 3 & 4 Showcase Assembly (Frank Chapman)
23rd— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)	27th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)
26th— Beauty & The Beast Pantomime	
27th— Year 5 & 6 Showcase Assembly (Ingestre Hall)	March
30th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)	2nd— World Book Day
February	5th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)
6th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)	9th— Year 1 & 2 Class Assembly
10th — School Closed (Training Day)	12th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)
13th — 17th - Half Term (School Closed) — Half Term Holiday Club	16th— Year 5 & 6 Class Assembly
20th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)	19th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)
	23rd— Sports Relief Day
	26th— Celebration Assembly (2:40pm)
	26th—30th - Holy Week
	30th— Year 3 & 4 Class Assembly

Spring Term