



All Saints' CE Primary School

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Caring and Achieving

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has seen the return of clubs at school, and it has been wonderful to see so many children taking part in extra-curricular activities before and after school and during lunchtime as well. All children took part in a karate taster session last Friday and the feedback from the children was extremely positive.

Welcome

Following Miss Jandu taking up a full time position at St Bartholomew's CE Primary, we are delighted to welcome Miss James to All Saints'. Miss James has previously volunteered in Beech class and so knows the school well. She will be primarily supporting the children in Elm class, working alongside Miss Lawlor. She is a fabulous addition to the team and we hope she will be very happy here.

Nursery September 2022

There are a few places left in our nursery provision for September 2022. If you have friends or family looking for nursery places for September, please encourage them to sign up to one of our parent tours or place their child's name on our list.

PopUK PSHE Workshop

Elm and Oak classes will be taking part in a day of PSHE activities on Wednesday 26th January. The project entitled, 'Will you 'like' me?' looks at the online world and the ways in which it impacts on our children, and their families. Recently, the Children's Commissioner highlighted the importance of helping our children learn about these issues and we believe this is a key aspect of life and growing up in our community today. 'Music Plus Trust' is an educational charity directed by Andy Silver founder of the 'PopUK' project, which empowers children with messages about key life skills and values that are important in modern life.

During the day, all the children will learn 3 songs, teaching them about the online world and technology and its effect on their emotions and wellbeing. There is no cost for this workshop as the Thomas Rudge have kindly offered to pay for both classes to take part.

NSPCC Number Day

On Friday 4th February, we will be celebrating the NSPCC Number Day. The children are invited to dress up in anything that has numbers on it for a £1 minimum donation. The children can wear football shirts or decorate old clothes with numbers. I would love the children to be as creative as possible and there will be prizes for the best dressed pupils in each year group. During the day, classes will be taking part in a range of fun mathematical activities whilst raising money for this important charity.

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Home-School Correspondence

Class Dojo is a fantastic resource that enables the school to keep in touch with you and for you to be able to communicate with us. I just wanted to make you aware that class teachers will not respond to messages out of school hours; after 6pm and before 8am. This to support the well-being of the staff and to ensure a healthy work-life balance. Should you need to contact the school urgently please use the school email address and your message will be forwarded to the relevant member of staff. Thank you for support with this important matter.

Extra Bank Holiday

For your information, due to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee an additional Bank Holiday has been given in 2022. As this falls within the May half-term, schools have been allowed an extra days holiday during term time. We will be adding the bank holiday onto the May half-term and the school will be closed to both staff and children on **Monday 6th June 2022**.

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

This change came into effect in England on Monday 17 January and applies to all positive cases, regardless of vaccination status.

People who are self-isolating with COVID-19 have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with an LFD test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either test is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10-day period of self-isolation.

I am excited at the prospect of school hopefully returning to a more normal way of life as this term progresses and look forward to welcoming everyone back into school as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "L de Graaff".

Mrs L de Graaff

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