

## All Saints' CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

What a wonderful first half term we have had. It was great to see you all at the parent-teacher meetings this week and I would like to thank you all for completing the parent questionnaires. Your comments are invaluable to us and will help us to further improve the provision at school for your talented children. If you took a survey and haven't brought it back to school, please return it to the school office in the first week after the holiday or contact the office for a blank copy to complete if you didn't pick one up.

This term, it feels like we have been requesting a lot of money from you all when we are aware that many families may be experiencing financial difficulties. We want to enrich the curriculum and enhance life experiences for your children as much as possible but understand with the cost of living crisis in the country at the moment that many families may be struggling to make ends meet. We always try to get value for money and are extremely fortunate to have most travel paid for or subsidised by the Thomas Rudge Trust. However, please come and speak to me if you are having difficulty paying for any events at school. I can also assist families to access financial support with bills and food, so please ask if your family would benefit from this help.

I would like to say a huge thank you to our amazing PTFA who work tirelessly to raise money for the school. Thanks to Anna Parr and her team we have now have a comfortable library area, a dedicated reading area in every classroom and brand new phonic and banded books for our younger children. We all know the importance of children learning to read and developing a life-long love of books. Thanks to these new resources our children are becoming more passionate about reading. The PTFA is a great way to get to know other parents better and any amount of time that you can spare is greatly appreciated by the school. Please look out for PTFA meetings and events coming up next half-term

Today, we sadly say goodbye to Mrs Young today and wish her all the best with the birth of her first child. It has been a pleasure to work with Mrs Young and I know that the staff and children in Chestnut class will miss her.

I hope that you all have a fantastic half-term holiday and look forward to welcoming the children back into school on **Tuesday 1**st **November**.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Louise de Graaff Head of School

Caring and achieving with Jesus at our side

"I can do all things through him (Jesus) who gives me strength" – Philippians 4:13