



All Saints' CE (VC) Primary School

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Katy Kent, Executive Headteacher

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Dear Parents

A very happy New Year to you all and I hope you had a restful and peaceful Christmas break.

I'm delighted to be the new Headteacher here at All Saints' and I look forward to us all working together to ensure your children receive the very best education during their time here. It has been an absolute pleasure to meet your delightful children yesterday – after one day they have already made me very proud.

Thank you to those of you who spent some time chatting with me on the playground at the start and the close of the school day. I look forward to meeting many more of you over the next days and weeks. My philosophy is to have an open door policy. Please feel free to discuss any concerns and celebrations with me and the teachers. If I am available, I will happily meet with you immediately and if not will arrange an appointment to have a chat – whether this be in person or by phone.

Miss Plumb, an outstanding teacher who works across the MAT supporting teaching and learning, will also be spending some time at All Saints' to support the continued raising of standards and will, alongside Mrs Shuttleworth (our outstanding Year 5/6 teacher seconded from St. Bart's), be available to meet with parents if I am unavailable.

We look forward to continuing to build upon the collaborative learning and support that All Saints' School have received during the last year and to see the very many successes that our children will no doubt achieve – the future is very bright!

Celebration Worship

From Friday 24th January parents will be welcomed into our Celebration Worship at 9.10 am. If your child is receiving a merit, star of the week or any other award you will be informed, giving the opportunity for you/a family member to join us in celebrating the children's successes.

Parent Helpers

If any parents (or Grandparents) would be interested in supporting reading or other curriculum areas in school please have a chat with me, Miss Plumb or Mrs Shuttleworth. Volunteers will need to complete a DBS check prior to helping in school. Training will be provided on effective ways to hear children read/supporting in class prior to commencement.



Our church school will aspire to empower all to flourish
and fulfil their God given potential inspired by the life and teachings of Jesus





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Events

Over the coming term there are some sporting events that children will have the opportunity to take part in as well as visits and celebrations, including MAT-wide curriculum quizzes and events. Details of these will be sent to you nearer the time.

Parent Workshops

I am planning a series of parent workshops to take place during this academic year, including an E-Safety Workshop, Curriculum Workshop and a Maths Skills Progression Workshop. If there are any additional parent workshops that would be of interest to you, please do let me know.

St. Bartholomew's CE Multi-Academy Trust

After 18 months of waiting we are very hopeful that All Saints' will be joining the MAT on 1st February. This will continue to provide wider opportunities for the staff and children here at the school. We very much look forward to All Saints' joining our family of schools (St. Bartholomew's CE Primary School, Woodfield Primary School and St. Benedict Biscop CE Primary School) – where the child is firmly in the centre of all that we do.

INSET DAYS

Please note there will be an additional two INSET Days on Friday 14th and Monday 24th February

DATES

Half term: School closes on **Thursday 13th February** and re-opens to all children on **Tuesday 25th February** (Friday 14th and Monday 24th are teacher training days and will be closed to all children).

Easter holidays: we close for Easter on **Friday 3rd April**. We re-open on **Monday 20th April**

SNOW

In the event of any significant snow fall, please remember to check the local radio stations and Staffordshire County Council Website. As always, we continue to use our texting service to alert parents of any closure, so please inform the school office whenever your contact details may change. It is always a last resort to close the school and is done in the interest of everyone's health and safety. Thank you for your support – let's hope it stays mild this year!



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SPORT RELIEF

On Friday 13th March we will be raising money for Sport Relief. All money raised will be used to help vulnerable people living incredibly tough lives both at home in the UK and in the world's poorest countries. On that day, children are invited to donate £1 and attend school in sports clothes. All Saints' Stars will be organising fun fund raising activities which children can take part in during the day. We look forward to an exciting day – thank you to our children who will be initiating and planning our fund raising activities.

WORLD BOOK DAY

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. On that day, children are invited to come to school dressed as **a fictional book character**, or in school uniform. During the day, the children will be participating in various reading and writing activities and competitions as well as receiving their World Book Day voucher. Could all children please bring their favourite book to school, to share during the day.

Here at All Saints' we are committed to working alongside parents to support all children throughout their time here at school – please remember that our door is always open. The teachers and I look forward to seeing you soon and we look forward to a great year.

Yours Sincerely

Katy Kent
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