



All Saints' CE Primary School

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Caring and Achieving

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As the end of the year rapidly approaches, the school is now filled with festive cheer. I would like to remind and update you about a couple of Christmas events and inform you of several notices for the spring term.

Christmas Church Service

It is with sadness that I am writing again to change a school event due to Covid. Unfortunately, with the new Covid variant, Omicron, spreading rapidly, I have made the decision that just the children will attend the Christmas service in church on Friday. I think that mixing the parents from the whole school would be careless of me at this point; I want all of the children to enjoy the Christmas break with their whole family. We will film each class performing their Christmas carol and post it onto class dojo for you to enjoy at home.

Christmas Raffle

Raffle tickets are available through ParentPay priced at £1 each. The fantastic prizes include Christmas hampers, escape room tickets, cream tea at Halfpenny Green, Go-karting voucher, private tennis lessons and a £34 voucher for Perton Golf Adventure to name but a few! The raffle will be drawn on **Tuesday 14th December**.

Christmas Tombola

The Christmas bottle tombola will take place on **Tuesday 14th December** after school in the playground. Again, there are many great prizes to win and I hope that you will support this festive fundraiser.

Christmas Parties

All classes will have a Christmas party on **Thursday 16th December**. The children are welcome to bring in a plate/small box of party food and a drink to enjoy themselves during their party. Please do not provide any food that contains nuts or drinks that are fizzy. The children are to wear their school uniform on this day.

Requests for absence

The school's attendance policy makes it clear that absences in term time will not be authorised unless there are extenuating circumstance for the absence. I also have a duty to inform Staffordshire Local Authority who may issue a Penalty Notice if you take an unauthorised leave of absence.

The Penalty Notice is for £60 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days and £120 per parent, per child if paid after this date but within 28 days.

Please note that parents and carer's have a duty to ensure their child's regular attendance at school and failure to do so is an offence under Section 444(1) of the Education Act 1996.

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New Defibrillator

A defibrillator has been placed on the wall of the village hall in Trysull. Please let your friends and family know about the location of this lifesaving piece of equipment.

Many thanks

The PTFA have yet again worked tirelessly this term and have worked particularly hard over the last month to prepare for the Christmas fundraisers. All of the money they raise provides extra resources for all of the children in school. I would like to thank Anna Parr and her team for giving up their time for all of the children of All Saints'.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your support through my first term as Head of School. The staff and I look forward to welcoming all of the children back into school on **Wednesday 5th January** (Tuesday 4th January is an INSET day).

I wish you and your families a very happy and healthy Christmas and a very peaceful New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L de Graaff

Head of School

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