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Newsletter – 24th May 2024

This half-term's value is Service

Headteacher's Message

Dear families,

What a productive half term at All Saints!

We started it with Key Stage 2 SATS, had an Ofsted inspection in the middle and we have ended it with Key Stage 1 SATS! We have been super proud of how hard all the children have worked. Year 2 results will not be published as they are to support the teacher's assessments that will come out in your child's end of year reports.

We have made it to the end of half term and the school is looking very empty right now as we prepare for the lovely new wooden flooring going down over half term. We will also be moving Sparrow's classroom over the holiday, into the Aviary so that we can set up our brand-new nursery provision in the room next to the outdoor space on the courtyard. You will have seen adverts being shared on social media, please share as much as you can to get the word around.

Next half term is full of plans for Year 4 times table checks, Phonics screening for Year 1, school photos, transition days for Year 6 pupils, National Sports week, sports day, General Election day, Olympic enrichment day, Eagles residential and finally our leavers service! Please keep looking at Class Dojo for dates and updates as the half term will whizz by!

Wishing you all a wonderful and hopefully sunny half term.

We will see you back at All Saints on **TUESDAY 4TH JUNE** as the Monday is an inset day.

Best wishes,
Mrs Scott

Prayer for the Week

Thank you Lord for this Term.

For the challenges, successes and the mistakes from which we have learnt.

Be with us as we spend time with our families,

Keep us safe, give us good rest and good fun.

Bring us back refreshed and ready for next half term.

We thank you for our classmates, teachers and parents that care for us.

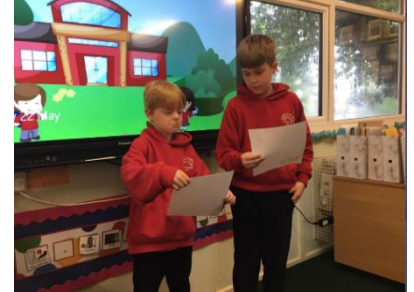
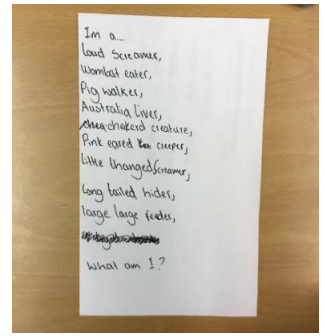
Amen



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It was rather soggy this week with the torrential rain, so we stayed in the dry and enjoyed writing our own Kennings poems, with a wildlife twist! Kennings poems are very short 'who am I' poems that give clues like a riddle by describing characteristics of an animal. The children chose their animal and came up with as many words and phrases as they could, using them to create their own. We had great fun trying to guess each other's animals!



Cross Country

A huge well done to our Y6 Cross Country Team who represented All Saints at Stafford Grammar School Monday evening.

They all rose to the occasion and completed the 1 mile run – super work, you did us proud!

School Uniform next half term.

Although we are approaching the end of a school year, we still have seven weeks to go and there has been a marked decline in our appearance lately.

I have noticed that ties are missing, children are wearing different coloured hoodies and some of our trousers and shorts are sportswear and the wrong colour. Please note that our uniform policy states that children should be wearing white shirts/blouses, smart grey trousers / smart tailored grey shorts or skirts/ pinafores, gingham red and white summer dresses and white socks with black shoes.

Phone calls will be made home next half term if children continue to come in incorrect uniform and are not looking smart.

Long hair should be tied back smartly with school colour accessories only.

It really is important that we make an effort to look smart, a smart outlook can affect how we feel in ourselves and about the work that we produce. George really stood out this week for his smartness - well done George.



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During the Summer term, Eagles have been studying the "Highwayman" as part of their narrative poetry unit. To conclude the topic, the class have written some excellent narrative poems from the point of view of an alternate character "Tim the Ostler."

The class have worked hard, alongside Miss Glover, to produce high quality writing which has been shared with Sam Ashley from our Academy Trust. Below is one example of the poems produced.

Tim the Ostler

The wind was a cascade of darkness among the swaying trees,
The moon was a haunted star tossed upon lively seas,
The stable-yard was secretly hidden, over the purple moor,
Tim the Ostler was working late, repairing the cracked stable door.

Thlot! Thlot! Amongst the deafening silence of the night,
Clippity clop, clip, clop – yet all of his horses were in plain sight.

Clueless, shocked and stunned, Tim peered through the gap in the wood,
But what he witnessed is something he never thought he would!
A highwayman-as loud as a lion, knocking on the old, inn-door!
This was something Tim the Ostler could certainly not ignore!

Tim's eyes were spirals of craziness; his face was white and peaked,
He watched in surprise as Bess appeared: the highwayman she would meet.

They stared longingly into each other's eyes and shared a secret true-love's kiss,
But Bess was the Landlord's daughter wide-eyed daughter – she was Tim's girl, not his!

In a silent rage he listened and he heard the robber say -
"One kiss my bonny sweetheart, I'm after a prize tonight, but I shall be back with the shining gold
before the morning light."

Tim listened carefully to every word expressed by the highwayman,
Overwhelmed with jealousy and spite, he hatched an evil plan!

Criminals don't deserve charming, bonny women – Tim sighed and cried out,
He would alert King George's men at once and get rid of him first!
Tim smirked and giggled at the thought of his horrid plot,
If he had his way, the highwayman would be shot.

At Tim's request guards charged down to the old inn – surely he had won?
But they'd tied Bess up with a gun aimed towards her chest, the damage had been done.

Tim begged for them to let her go, she didn't deserve this fate.
But the guards were using Bess as bait, all they could do now was wait.

As the sun faded away beyond the purple moor, a familiar sound was echoing in the distance,
Thlot Thlot Thlot! Clippity Clop...

The guards leapt up in an instance.

Wide-eyed with fear but a heart full of gratitude and love, Bess sounded the alarm.
She pulled the trigger at herself, took her final breath – causing irreparable harm.

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As soon as the gunfire shot in the evening sunset, the Highwayman knew what had been done.
But he was being circled by vultures – there was simply nowhere to run!
CRASH CRASH CRASH!
The job had been done,
The highwayman lay dead and shivering, as the smoke emitted from the gun.

Two star-crossed lovers had been killed at the scene,
Their promising future together was only a dream,
Jealous, bitter Tim bowed his head in regret and shame.
The love of his life had been killed and he was to blame!

Tim was in love with Bess and wouldn't harm a hair on her raven-haired head,
Yet she'd been harassed, tortured and killed instead.
As for the highwayman – he was shot in cold blood.
But Tim didn't feel proud like he thought he would.

Filled with rage and fuelled with guilt, Tim forged a new plan.
A plot twist that would see him become the new "Highwayman."
He hopped on his horse and headed for the purple moor,
Slamming behind him the ancient, broken stable door.

And sometimes, even now – when the clock strikes midnight,
You can hear a recognisable sound amongst the moonlight,
Thlot Thlot Thlot! Clippity Clop! The noise seems to come from above,
It is Tim – the mad-eyed highwayman, searching for Bess, his true love.

By Ruby, Year 6.



The general election has now been announced and will take place on Thursday 04th July.

As usual, the school is being used as a polling station and therefore school will be closed for children on that day.



This Week's Think is

Can you cast a dark shadow in a dark room?



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A plant sale is being held at All Saints Church in Bednall on Saturday 01st June from 10am to 12 noon. Refreshments will also be available. Please come along and give your support – all proceeds will go to church funds.



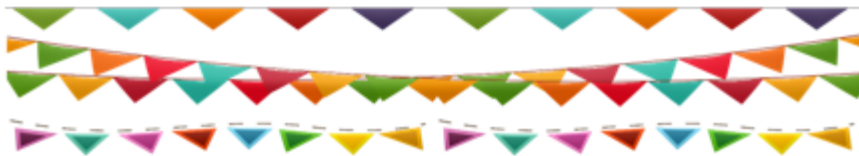
BEDNALL CHURCH FETE

SAT 15 JUNE

LONG MEADOW, BEDNALL

FROM 2 pm

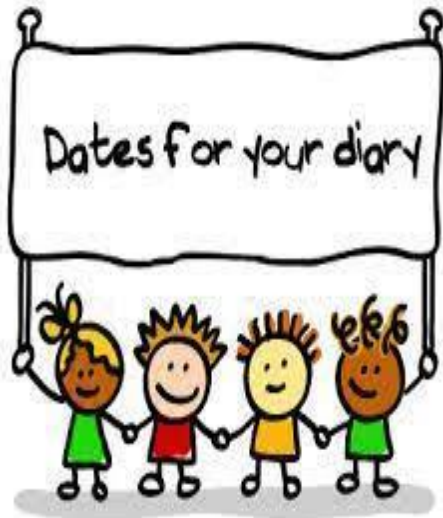
Lots of stalls, tombola,
refreshments, home made
cakes, bouncy castle



Bednall Facebook Communications Group

To promote communication in Bednall village, a new Facebook group has been created, the aim of which is to allow residents to send out Bednall related communications. Please visit <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2049495045443979>

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03rd June – Inset day
13th June – School Photos
02nd July – Sports Day (afternoon)
04th July – School Closed for General Election
04th July Sports Day (Back up)
11th July – Inclusive Olympic Games (Enrichment Day)
15th-17th July – Eagles Residential Trip
22nd July - Inset day



To help your messages get to the correct person, please refer to the list below:

School dinners, After School Club, Appointments & Absences - Mrs Stones (Office)

Learning or Behavioural Concerns - Class Teachers

Special Educational Needs – Mrs Mayhew

Breakfast Club - Mrs Stones

Please feel free to contact us by telephone, email or Dojo



Summer Term 2024

Term starts: Monday 08th April

May Day: Monday 06th May

Half term: Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Inset Day: Monday 03rd June

Term ends: Friday 19th July

Inset Day: Monday 22nd July

Holiday: Tuesday 23rd July – Friday 30th August

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