

Newsletter



Love Live & Learn

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Headteacher's message

Dear families,

First of all, I would like to thank you for your overwhelming support this week as we have navigated the extreme temperatures in school. It is always a last resort to close school, however with our very limited space or shaded accessible outdoor areas it became increasingly difficult to keep your children safe and cool and for them to sustain concentration and focus. Temperatures in classrooms have not fell below 30 degrees since Wednesday and although we have used the paddling pool, ice pops and fans, we can only do so much. Hopefully classrooms will feel much better as we go

into our last 3 weeks of the school year.

We began last week with our external review, carried out by our Director of Learning across the Trust and the Early Years Lead across SUAT. I'm pleased to report that we had some really positive feedback regarding phonics and Early Years in particular, as this was an area that was not inspected at our last Ofsted. It was great to know that we are on the right lines. Other areas were also praised such as quality first teaching, adaptations, and of course, we were given some useful development points to focus on for the next school year.

In other news, apart from keeping cool and the children completing their summer assessments, Mrs Mayhew has been busy showing lots of new families around. What has been so lovely to hear is that they are nearly all because of recommendations from you- thank you so much. This really is the best compliment to All Saints we could get. Hopefully we see lot of new faces when we come back to school after the summer, in all classes!

As we go into our final few weeks of the school year, I would like to remind you to keep checking our Dojo pages for news and updates as there is a lot going on!

Please stay safe in the sun and as always, we remind parents to remind children of the dangers of water, particularly in these hot conditions where it looks so appealing. The news lately regarding open water has been devastating, please pass on the message to all of your youngsters.

Have a brilliant weekend,
Mrs Scott



Prayer of the Week

Dear God,

Thank you for making everyone special and unique.
Please give me ears that listen, a heart that is kind,
and hands that are helpful to others.

Help me to treat my family, friends, and teachers
the way I want to be treated.

Amen.



Diary Dates



Summer Term 2026

7th July Visit from George Fouche (former international athlete and Olympic High Performance Mindset Coach)

10th July pm- Sports Day & All Saints Summer festival/170th celebration

15th July- Year 6 leavers' trip

17th July- Leavers service in church at 12.30pm/ school breaks up for summer 1.15pm.

Holiday: Monday, 20th July – Wednesday, 2nd September.
Have a good Break!

New School Term Dates

Autumn Term

Inset day: Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd September 2026

• Term Starts: Thursday 3rd September

• Holiday: Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October

Inset day: Monday 2nd November 2026

• Term Ends: Friday 18 December

• Holiday: Monday 21 December – Friday 1 January

Spring Term 2027

Inset day: Monday 4th January

• Term Starts: Tuesday 5 January

• Holiday: Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February

• Term Ends: Thursday 25 March

• Holiday: Monday 29 March – Friday 9 April

• Easter Sunday: Sunday 28 March

Summer Term 2027

• Term Starts: Monday 12 April

• May Day: Monday 3 May

Inset day: Tuesday 4th May

• Holiday: Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June

• Term Ends: Tuesday 20th July

Inset day: Wednesday 21st July

• Holiday: Wednesday 21st July – Wednesday 1 September

Inset day: Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd September 2027

Term will start for pupils on Monday 6th September 2027



10th July. Please also note that Sports Day is weather-dependent. Should the weather be unsuitable, the alternative day will be Thursday, 16th July. Information regarding alternative arrangements will be communicated on Dojo

Notices



Stay & Play – Spread the Word

Our Stay & Play Sessions are in full swing, and we've been delighted to welcome families into our school community. The children have been having lots of fun exploring a variety of exciting activities, making new friends, and discovering all that All Saints has to offer. We would love for more families to join us, and there are still plenty of spaces available for your little one! If you are considering a Nursery or Pre-School place and would like to experience our warm, friendly school environment, these sessions are the perfect opportunity to explore our setting, meet our staff and other families, and see what makes All Saints so special.

Session Details - Every Wednesday from 1st July to 8th July at 9:15 am – 10:30 am
How to Register - Simply scan the QR code or get in touch with the office.



Please feel free to share this information with friends, family members, or anyone who may be interested in joining our Stay & Play sessions. You can also follow us on Facebook for the latest school updates, events, and news.
We look forward to welcoming you and your child!



PTA Volunteer's



A huge thank you to everyone who attended our recent PTA meeting to discuss plans for the All Saints School 170th Anniversary Summer Festival. We are incredibly grateful for your support, enthusiasm, and willingness to volunteer. Thanks to everyone who attended. Roles and responsibilities have now been allocated, and planning is well underway. To keep everyone updated and ensure we are on track with the arrangements, we will be holding another PTA meeting on Thursday, 2nd July. This meeting will give volunteers the opportunity to share progress, discuss any outstanding tasks, and finalise plans for the celebration. If you were unable to attend the first meeting, we would love for you to come along. There are still opportunities to get involved, and we warmly welcome anyone who would like to volunteer and support this special event.

Mrs Collier has advised that she will be stepping down from her role as PTA Treasurer at the end of this term. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her dedication, hard work, and commitment to the PTA over the years. Her support has been greatly appreciated and has made a real difference to our school community. As a result, we are now looking for a volunteer to take on the role of Treasurer for September. If you are interested, or would simply like to find out more about what the role involves before deciding, please come along to the next PTA meeting or contact the school office. Full support will be available during the handover, and we would be delighted to welcome a new volunteer to the team.



170 Book Challenge



As many of you know, All Saints is celebrating a very special birthday this year – 170 years! To mark this wonderful milestone, we have challenged ourselves to read 170 books and stories before the end of the school year. So far, during story time in school, our classes have read: Robins: 6 books, Sparrows: 17 books, Doves: 19 books, Eagles: 15 books. That gives us a fantastic total of 57 books so far! We would love your support at home to help us reach our target of 170 books. Every story counts, whether it is a picture book, short story, chapter book, or a book shared with an adult. Reading together helps children develop essential literacy skills and encourages a lifelong love of reading. Please continue to record any books or stories your child reads at home on their reading log. Together, we can achieve our goal and celebrate with a well-earned Reading Challenge Tea Party at the end of term!

Look inside our Classroom Moments



“Exploring, learning, and growing together—one day, one lesson, and one success at a time!”



Here's a quick look at what we've been up to the past two weeks:



Robins Class

Robins have continued exploring our topic on knights and castles, kings and queens. As part of our learning, we created a royal banquet, thinking carefully about both healthy food choices and special treats fit for a king or queen!

In History, we investigated objects from the past and present, comparing everyday items such as a modern pencil with a traditional quill. In English, we finished our work on *The Queen's Hat*, identifying the key events and sequencing them from the beginning to the end of the story.

The children thoroughly enjoyed investigating and creating famous London landmarks, particularly building Big Ben and learning about the famous lions in Trafalgar Square. In Art, we have been weaving castle wall hangings and replacing our spring daffodil displays with beautiful summer sunflowers inspired by Vincent van Gogh. We also explored different textures and had lots of fun painting with forks to create unique effects. In Maths, we have been learning about repeating patterns using a range of practical resources. We have also started practising our graduation songs and are looking forward to celebrating with you at our Graduation Service at the church on Wednesday, 15th July. We hope to see you there!



Doves Class

In Art, we have created our repeated rainforest-inspired patterns and prepared our glue batik fabrics, which are now ready for painting. In Maths, we have been learning about decimals, which will also help us as we move on to our next topic: money. Everyone has been a maths wizard, and you have all knocked Mrs Howarth's socks off with your fantastic knowledge and skills!

In English, we have been inspired by our class book, *The Rain Player*, and have begun creating our own myths. Our imaginations have been incredible, with stories featuring ogres and monsters living in enchanted caves, evil islands, dramatic shipwrecks, beautiful castles, and brave knights. We can't wait to see how these fantastic stories develop!



Sparrows Class

In Sparrows, we have been exploring the story of *The Gingerbread Man* as part of our Fairytale Science topic. We began by asking whether the Gingerbread Man could have escaped across the river by swimming instead of trusting the tricky fox. The children tested this by dunking their gingerbread men in water to see if they were waterproof. Thankfully, they all correctly predicted that this would be a terrible idea!

We then revisited our learning about everyday materials and their properties, exploring whether we could build waterproof homes for the Gingerbread Man using animal homes in nature as inspiration. The children worked brilliantly together, deciding on a fair way to test their creations before getting busy building. A huge thank you for providing such a fantastic selection of natural materials for the children to use.

In Maths, we have begun learning about time. We started by reviewing the days of the week and months of the year before moving on to hours, minutes and seconds. Telling the time is an important life skill, and there are lots of opportunities to practise at home. Please encourage your child to get involved with anything time-related, such as reading clocks, talking about daily routines, or helping to plan activities throughout the day. Over the past two weeks, we have also been busy completing our end-of-term assessments. The children have worked incredibly hard and have shown excellent effort, resilience, and perseverance throughout. We are very proud of them all well done, Sparrows!



Eagles Class

Eagles have had a busy two weeks completing their end-of-term assessments. The children all worked incredibly hard, and Year 6 are now eagerly awaiting their official SATs results, which are expected to arrive in early July. In Maths, we began a new unit on position and direction, learning how to use co-ordinates. In Science, we had an informative and thoughtful lesson on puberty, encouraging respectful discussion and understanding. In Writing and Guided Reading, we explored the poem *The Highwayman*. The children enjoyed analysing its dark, dramatic themes and were fascinated by the surprising twists in the story.

This week, we adapted well to the heatwave by keeping cool in the classroom while finishing our class novel, *Holes*. Instead of heading outside for PE, we enjoyed a sports-themed afternoon celebrating the World Cup, taking part in a range of fun sporting activities.

We are looking forward to making the most of the final few weeks of the school year as we complete our learning, prepare for Sports Day, enjoy our Year 6 leavers' trips and services, and support the children with their transition to the next stage of their education.

Recognition Achievements

Love Live & Learn

As a result, a reward has been chosen and will be sent home for the following child, who will receive a Love, Live & Learn Certificate in recognition of their hard work, positive attitude, and achievements. These awards reflect our school values and celebrate the many ways our pupils contribute to our school community.

Love Award

The Love Award recognises pupils who consistently show kindness, respect, and care for others. This includes being a good friend, showing empathy, offering help, and contributing positively to school life. Pupils who receive this award demonstrate our value of treating everyone with compassion and understanding.

WC 19th June - Presented to:
Julian for his loving attitude
towards others

Live Award

The Live Award celebrates pupils who embrace school life with enthusiasm and resilience. This may include excellent behaviour, perseverance, teamwork, or representing the school positively. It also recognises achievements and participation in activities outside of school. Pupils receiving this award show a willingness to engage fully, try new experiences, and make positive choices each day.

WC 19th June - Presented to:
Adam for his enthusiasm &
passion in School

Learn Award

The Learn Award is presented to pupils who demonstrate a strong commitment to their learning. This includes trying their best, showing determination, making good progress, and displaying curiosity and independence in the classroom. Pupils who receive this award embody our value of striving to achieve their full potential. We look forward to celebrating our pupils' achievements and continuing to build great habits and a love of learning together.

WC 19th June - Presented to:
Francesca for her excellent
progress in reading

Due to the hot weather this week and the early school closure, we decided not to award the Love, Live and Learn Award this week. However, we would like to recognise all of our pupils for the resilience and perseverance they showed in coping with the high temperatures. You continued to work hard, stayed positive, and did your very best despite the challenging conditions. Well done to everyone – we are so proud of you all!

Well Done!



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