

All Saints Primary School Weekly Parent Email

W/E 22nd March 2019

Dear Parents,

Another lovely week at All Saints, we can't believe it is Friday again! Here are some of the activities and events that the children have enjoyed:

<u>We will Rock You:</u> We were very proud to watch Years 4 and 5 representing All Saints present 'We will Rock You' at The Gateway Centre in Yeovil last night. This performance was the result of a music project with other local schools and featured songs by Queen. All the children excelled in singing some very tricky music. Lit up on the large stage they were all stars! Thank you for supporting these opportunities.

<u>Tag Rugby Tournament:</u> The wonderful year 4 & 5 children took part in a tag rugby competition today at Sherborne Primary school. The children showed great teamwork as well as demonstrating other key sporting values that we hold dear. Unfortunately, they did not get through to the final but their progress during the competition was commendable. It was also lovely to see an ex pupil of All saints on the side lines as a Gryphon Sports Leader

<u>Quicksticks Hockey Tournament</u>: Two enthusiastic year 3 and 4 teams took part in the Sherborne Schools Hockey Tournament. The children showed excellent perseverance and both teams ended on a high by winning their last match. In addition, Daisy was very happy when she won a chocolate Easter egg in a 'Goal' or 'No Goal' competition.

<u>Diamond & Topaz Class Trip to Carymoor</u>: The children had an incredibly busy and fun-filled day at Carymoor on Tuesday, joining in with activities all about plants and minibeasts to help with the Science curriculum. Please visit our school website to see the photos for an example of some of these fantastic activities which included pond dipping, minibeast hunts, nature walks, making plant pots from newspaper to plant our seeds, plant hunts and lots of exciting games!

A few other things....

<u>Important – Off-site Activities</u> All Saints' staff work hard and give much time to ensure that many opportunities are available for our pupils. If these take place off site they require a consent form to be returned. We would really appreciate a prompt return of these or an emailed reply. At the moment, we are losing a lot of administration and teacher time chasing up consent forms. For events that require a team, we need to assess whether we have enough players for us to enter and inform the organising schools. Children are selected for sporting events based on the interest they show in school, for example by attending lunchtime training sessions and verbally saying they would like to take part. Sometimes parents are then reporting that children are saying they don't wish to take part and simply not returning the forms.

PLEASE could you return the form by return so that other children can be invited if possible or so we can cancel with notice. We have been disappointed to have been unable to raise a team for a year group event this week, luckily on this occasion another school have offered us an additional player but this is not a solution and regretfully if children are unable to commit to these events we will have to simply withdraw from participation. I always feel one of the advantages of attending a small school is that children have many opportunities to play and compete in school teams rather than it being the selected few who are chosen in a bigger school. We would really like our children to embrace these opportunities and develop a sense of commitment to their team and their school whilst keeping fit and active!

We understand that arranging transport can be difficult but please communicate this with us and if we can help, we will, to ensure that our children do not miss these opportunities.

<u>Adult Netball:</u> Mrs Regan has asked if there is anyone interested in participating in some adult netball, which she would be able to organise early evening on a Wednesday. If you would like to register an interest with no commitment at the moment, please let Mrs Regan or Mrs Wookey know.

Non-School Uniform Day: Wednesday 3rd April is to be a no-school uniform day in exchange for donations for our Easter Cafe – eggs, chocolates or other Easter themed items would be really appreciated.

A message from Miss Scott

Dear Parents/Carers

I am currently completing my BA honours degree and as part of my study I am carrying out a research project to find out the impact the National Curriculum is having on children, teachers and parents.

As part of the research I am conducting parent/carer online questionnaires to find out views on the National Curriculum and whether it is felt it supports children for their future. The research will remain confidential and anonymous.

I would be extremely grateful if you could support my research by taking part in the survey. It will take only 10 minutes to complete consisting of 5 questions only.

Please follow the link below to complete the survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K9MDVQ9

Please see separate attached information sheet but if you have any further questions then do not hesitate to contact me at bishopscaundle.dorset.sch.uk

Thanking you in advance for your support, Bethany Scott

Finally... We are all looking forward to next week and all the fun 'Book' activities that are planned. Please check the 'What's on Next Week' for details. Also, one last reminder to book your Parent Evening appointments for next Monday and Thursday.

Have a great weekend... Al Saints

Letters Home this Week

- What's on this week w/c 25th March
- Term & Holiday Dates for 2019 / 2020
- Miss Scott Research Information Sheet
- Road Safety at Sherborne Library