



All Saints Primary School

Weekly Parent Email

W/E 05th February 2021

Dear All,

I am very pleased to report that it is all quiet on the All Saints front.

At the end of half term, teachers would normally be assessing all pupils against all objectives in all subjects. This half term, teacher assessment will be focused on the pupils' attitude to learning over this difficult period along with the regularity of their attendance at live lessons, their contribution to live lessons and their ability to work independently in this difficult period. This will give us a good indication of where we need to pitch things and how we need to support pupils when they return to school.

Despite the lockdown, we have been continuing the programme of upgrades to our school. Over half term, we are having a new computer server installed by our new IT providers; they will also be giving all of our IT equipment a refurbishment. Further to this, we are also replacing the Diamond Class carpet for a more practical vinyl surface. Diamonds have also benefitted by the installation of a PVC strip curtain which will retain heat in the covered part of their outside learning area. Finally, we have acquired a sizeable (but mobile) smartboard for the hall which has replaced our slightly dated projector and screen.

Please remember that during half term week school will be closed and there will be no work set online: I think staff and pupils alike need a well-deserved break.

Return of Reading Books

If you have any school reading books at home we would be grateful if you could return them as we are running low on stocks.

Coronavirus helpline for families

Dorset Council have set up a helpline for families worried about how their child is coping with the coronavirus crisis and lockdown. The helpline number is: **01258 474036**. It is open from Monday to Friday from 9am to 4.45pm. Callers need to ring and make an appointment for a 30 minute phone consultation.

Adverse Weather

Please refer to the school website for the procedures regarding the closure of school in adverse weather. **If we are forced to close the school, we will not be holding live lessons.**

Parent Talk

Please find attached the details of a new 6-week virtual peer support group held in the evening for Dads and a separate one for Mums who are experiencing mild to moderate low mood / depression and / or anxiety.

Have a good weekend,

Nigel