

All Saints Primary School Information

Dear Parents / Carers,

Week two over and already the pace of work has picked up! One thing that has struck me over my short time here is some of the wonderful acts of friendship and compassion I have seen. Be it from our reception pupil's buddies, our play leaders, our worship leaders or just in everyday classroom / playground situations, I am constantly seeing our pupils upholding the school values. In addition, I have to add that I have never met such a dedicated group of staff. They are, without question, dedicated in giving your children the best possible provision here at All Saints.

OPEN MORNING

Our Open Morning this year is taking place on **Saturday 19th October** from 8:30 – 10:30am. It will be lovely to see as many of you as possible there. Please do spread the word: bring family and friends, bring granny and grandad, bring families who are interested in sending their children here. There will be classroom activities, a chance to enjoy our school grounds and even bacon rolls!

HARVEST SERVICE

Our Harvest walk and celebrations will take place on Friday 4th October 2019. For those who are unaware, the whole school walks down to Holwell Church where each class will present a brief harvest themed activity to the congregation (song, art poem...), followed by a walk back to school. Family and friends are welcome to attend, however, perhaps more importantly, we do rely on parental support to help walk the pupils down to the church and back. We will be leaving at approximately 9.30am and will return by 12.30pm. If you are available to help, please let Lou know.

READERS

If any of you can spare some time each week (preferably in an afternoon) to listen to pupils read, could you please let Lou in the office know. You could have a really positive impact on the learning of some of our pupils!

HOME LEARNING

Many thanks to all of you who are supporting you child's learning at home. Hearing a child read for just 10 minutes a day makes an incredible difference to their progress and attainment in all subjects. I am well aware how busy life is today and how many commitments families have. However, if you could put this time aside each day, you (and your child/children) will be seeing the rewards.

WHITE HART VALE MAGAZINE

Our friends at the White Hart Vale magazine are running a Christmas competition. Children are invited to draw a picture with the theme 'Santa'. The picture is to be drawn on an A4 piece of paper and should be coloured with felt tips or paint (coloured pencils do not copy well). The winning picture (chosen by the

editorial team) will be the cover to the Christmas edition of the magazine. We will supply the paper and, whilst we will not spend curriculum time on this, any child wish to spend break/lunch time working on their picture may do so in school.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

We are delighted to announce that we are launching our second 'Google Classroom' following the success in Sapphire Class. Ruby class children are now being assigned their very own Chromebook as a learning tool. This investment in technology will enable the children and teaching staff to take full advantage of a digital environment and be seamlessly connected to develop, share and show learning electronically. This is an another important investment for the school and we are all looking forward to showcasing this technology to all parents/carers throughout the year.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS with Tempest Photography

The school photographer will be here on **Thursday 19**th **September** and will be taking an **individual photograph of every child as well as brother and sister combos**. In addition, Tempest is also offering the opportunity to photograph family groups and/or preschool siblings between 8.30-9.00am. You will receive an instant proof of your photograph(s) with the option to order from the various packages available or, if you do not wish to purchase, you may return the proof to school. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity please contact Lou in the office.

ANY SUGGESTIONS

The governors, staff and I are very open and keen to hear your ideas on how we could improve thigs here at All Saints. If you have any ideas (however small) please pop in and see me or drop me an email. We cannot guarantee we will action all ideas, but we can guarantee we will consider them.

Nigel Roberts Headteacher

Letters Attached

- What's on Next Week W/C 16th September
- School Piano Lessons Poster and Letter
- Dorset Schools Admissions September 2020