



All Saints Primary School Newsletter

September 2016

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back everyone! I do hope you all managed to enjoy the sunshine and that you have relished in some lovely family time during the holiday. I wish to extend a special welcome to all our new families. Fifteen new children join All Saints in Reception, along with Jamie in Year 5, Annabelle in Year 3 and Alix and Lorelai in Year 2. We know you will all love being with us and we are excited to be part of your learning journey.

Life at school has been busy – we have new toilets and a cloakroom for Diamonds Class and new boilers for our heating system. All members of school staff have been very busy sorting, cleaning, clearing, tidying and planning in readiness for the new term and the school looks great!

Start and end of day

For the benefit of our new parents/carers we continue to offer a 'drop off' facility for children in Years 2-6 in the morning. Cars can drive into school in order to drop children off safely. There will be a member of school staff to greet them at the entrance at the front of the school. We kindly ask that you use this facility when you are dropping off only. Unfortunately the car park cannot be used by parents as it is needed for staff parking. Therefore if you need to come into school we ask that you park outside the school grounds and walk in with your children. All children in Diamonds Class will need to be brought round the back of the school to their classroom by their parents/carers and cannot therefore be dropped off. The school doors are open at 8.45am and the school day begins promptly at 8.55am. Our learning begins precisely at this time so please aim for an earlier arrival rather than being late at 9am. In KS2 daily maths starts at 8.55am and last year some children were missing this activity repeatedly. We are obliged to record late arrivals as part of our monitoring of attendance. Please refer to our leaflet about the importance of good attendance that you will find on our website.

In the afternoons NO cars are allowed on site. This would be hazardous when the whole school is leaving and we expect all parents to be on site to meet their children. We ask that children in Diamonds and Topaz Class are collected first in the afternoons as they are released from the classroom by the supervising member of staff. Ruby and Sapphire Classes will be accompanied by their teachers and will wait for you at the front of the school. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Communications

All Saints has introduced many ways to effectively communicate with our parents. We operate a texting service, we are readily available via email and all communications are posted on our website. We now aim to reduce the letters we have been sending home. Please note that EVERY FRIDAY all parent letters and communication will be emailed to

you and posted on the website and we will not be sending paper copies home. If you do **NOT** have access to the Internet or an email account, please complete the slip below and return it to school. Thank you.

I have been Headteacher of All Saints for five years now. I believe we have built an excellent team who provide a vibrant, supportive and challenging learning environment for all our children. We expect the best of them. It will be time to reassess our vision for the future of our school and we will be involving all stakeholders in that process shortly. We believe that our partnership with parents and carers is essential and continue to promote positive relationships. The door is always open, please come and talk to class teachers or myself if you have any questions. We all share the same goal – to ensure that your children can be the very best they can be, both as learners and as future citizens.

To strengthen our working relationship as the children begin a new year (possibly in a new class or with a new teacher), it would be great to see as many parents/carers as possible attend out 'Meet and Greet' sessions. Even if your child has the same teacher, the routines and expectations will change for the new school year your child will be in. These sessions are taking place this week on the following days:

- Ruby Class: 3pm Tuesday 6th September
- Topaz Class: 3pm Wednesday 7th September
- Sapphire Class: 3pm Thursday 8th September
- Diamond Class: 3pm Friday 9th September

Of course if you are unable to attend please talk to the class teacher who will ensure that the information is shared with you.

I am looking forward to another year of working within our lively school community and seeing the children enjoy the wealth of experiences we have planned for them! Thank you for working positively alongside us for the benefit of your children,

Anne Crumpler

All Saints Communication September 2016

I **DO NOT** have access to the internet or have an email account and would require paper copies or all correspondence.

Parent Name:

Child(ren)'s Name:

Parent Signature:

Please return to school before FRIDAY 9th September