

## All Saints Primary School Weekly Parent Email

W/E 7th January 2022

Dear All,

Happy New Year.

It has been great to get back into some sort of routine after a few weeks away. I had started to pen this newsletter at 9:30am on Wednesday and, after less than 45 minutes in school, the children were already focused and working hard!

As the new term progresses, I have no doubt that we will have more COVID-19 cases within school. We will continue to take all sensible precautions and will inform you as cases arise. To help reduce infection rates, if you develop one of the following symptoms, you should book a PCR test online or by calling 119:

- A new, continuous cough, and/or
- A temperature, and/or
- A loss of, or change to, sense of taste and/or smell.

Increased ventilation in the school means that it is a little chillier than usual. You may feel it prudent for your child(ren) to wear a vest / additional layer when the external temperature drops further. Ultimately, we will close windows if it becomes too cold, however, ventilation helps prevent the spread of Covid-19.

I have taken the difficult decision to cancel our Friday Morning Toddler Group until after half term. Taking into consideration the COVID-19 rates nationally, I feel it is the only sensible decision.

## Music at All Saints:

I am pleased to announce that our Guitar Club, led by Alistair Chester will running this term. Ruby and Sapphire Class Children (KS2) will have the opportunity to learn the key skills required as a guitarist, as well as how to play some of their favourite songs, all in a relaxed and fun environment. Sessions will be held in school from 3.30pm - 4.30pm every Tuesday for 12 weeks, with the first session starting on Tuesday the 11th of January. There are 10 spaces available at the cost of £5 per week. Children are welcome and encouraged to bring their own guitar if they have one but guitar hire is also available at the small extra cost of £1 per week. Payment for the whole 12 weeks will be required up front. If you would like your child to take part, please contact Lou in the school office by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January

From Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January, Ruby Class Children will begin a 10-week Musicianship Programme delivered by Dorset Music Service where they will learn the Violin! Instruments will be given to each child that day and they will be able to bring them home to practice! However, please ensure that they brought back to school every Wednesday for their formal lesson.

## Dates for your diaries:

- ASSA will be holding a planning meeting at 3:30pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January for The Wurzels event (happening on 11<sup>th</sup> June). Please do come along and help organize this big money raising event.
- This term's Parent Consultations will be held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March from 2 6:30pm. Bookings will be made available nearer the date.

Lastly, we would like to extend a warm All Saints welcome to Belle and her family who have recently moved into the area. Belle started in Ruby Class this week.

Have a lovely weekend,

**Nigel Roberts**