

# All Saints Primary School Newsletter

## November 2015

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Dear Parents/Carers,

### Welcomes!

It was lovely to welcome Mrs Regan back to school when she visited recently with baby Noah. He was very well behaved and mum was rightly very proud. We hope she visits again soon. Also, a (very late) welcome to baby Mason, a brother for Ellis Speakman, who feels part of our family already! Some lovely new children have joined the school recently, Lily Dennison, Daniel and Anthony Eastwood along with Faris, Yahya and Zak Payne and Jasmine and Orson Crowe. We hope they all enjoy their learning journeys with us.

Sadly we said goodbye to Cedric and Danny Prerost who have moved out of the area.

### Children in Need

Mrs Kellaway and School Council organised two events as 'Champions of Change' for Children in Need. As a Rights Respecting school we are delighted that our young people take their responsibilities for others seriously and wish to make a positive difference. A fantastic **£167** was raised through a toy sale, café and a pyjama day. Thank you so much for supporting their efforts.

### Thank Yous

We have been so fortunate too, that wonderful members of our community have made us the focus of their fundraising efforts. As funding for small schools gets tighter every year we are so grateful for this support. So we send huge thanks to Gail Jenkinson of the White Hart at Bishops Caundle who, together with her team, organised 'Caundlefest' in the summer. On 23<sup>rd</sup> October Gail and two members of her team presented All Saints with a donation from this event which the school will use to update some ICT equipment.

In addition, on 6th November, a wonderful evening event was hosted in Stourton Caundle featuring the band 'The Roving Crows'. The families who attended were buzzing about the evening on Monday morning and a brilliant time was had by all! We extend further huge thanks to Sarah Challis for organising this and making All Saints one of the beneficiaries with a large donation which the school will use to fund some much needed resources for our youngest children.

### Wrap around Care at All Saints

As you know All Saints has been offering a morning breakfast club and After School Care since September. We researched this carefully and were very committed that any care provided would offer physical activity to help our children stay fit and active. We have been delighted that Jamie, our sports coach, has delivered high quality coaching and care before and after school. However, not as many families, as was hoped following the initial questionnaire, have subsequently taken up this provision. Being able to offer this to families remains very important to us. We believe in supporting our community by:

- giving working parents the ability to select All Saints for their children's education
- providing the opportunity for children to engage with an extra sporting activity
- providing access to a sporting activity without the need for transport / cost of transport

However, if this is not required by our families we may have to adapt the level of service we currently provide. In order to make the best decisions around this please take a moment to complete and return the form attached to this letter. The Governors are very committed to being able to continue to offer this provision for families already accessing it and will do all in their power to maintain it.

### **Wednesday PE**

Every Wednesday Mr Noyes teaches PE across the school. We cannot change the day or time and except in extreme weather conditions, it is our intention that the children are active outdoors for at least 45minutes. Now that the weather is getting colder please ensure that children have sufficient warm clothes and most importantly **TRAINERS** for games on the field. Black daps are not suitable for these sessions. Thank you very much for your support.

### **School Matches / Competitive events**

All Saints takes up many opportunities for competitive sports fixtures and wishes to continue to do so. Regretfully, the school is unable to organise transport to and from these events as this must be the responsibility of parents/carers. Please understand that this is necessary to be compliant with school Health and Safety. Therefore please ensure that you have made arrangements for your child's transport before agreeing that they can take part in events. Thank you.

### **Attendance**

You can find a copy of our Attendance Policy on our school website. This is a common policy with all the local partnership schools.

All Saints School continues to work towards the following targets

- for attendance rates to reach 97%
- for all absences to be legitimate and authorised
- to increase the numbers of pupils who achieve 100% attendance in the school year
- to reduce the numbers of families taking holidays during term time
- for all children to arrive on time for school, unless there is a legitimate reason for not doing so.

Thank you for your support.

### **Please join us!**

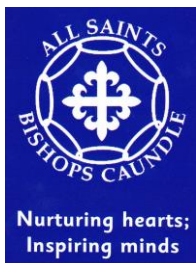
Diamond Class parents are invited in from 2.45pm every Monday to learn and play alongside their children. Please support this if you can, it is so powerful in reinforcing home and school jointly committed to learning.

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30pm Rubies and Sapphires present '**Christopher Colombus**' as one learning outcome of this term's topic on America. It sounds wonderful in rehearsal; I do hope you will join us.

Looking forward, Christmas is fast approaching. ASSA and the staff are planning and preparing a special All Saints Christmas and we would very much like to welcome you all to share our celebrations. Please see the separate list of dates. Next week **FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** ASSA will be hosting our annual Christmas Fayre and we welcome donations for this and would love to see you there!

With all good wishes and with thanks for your continuing support,

Anne Crumpler  
Headteacher



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### Wrap around Care at All Saints

We would very much appreciate it if you could read the following statements and tick the one which best applies to you.

We currently use the service and intend to continue to use it in the future

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We currently do not use the service but intend to use it in the future

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We have no need for this service now or in the future

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Please return to school **by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November**. Thank you