

All Saints Primary School Newsletter July 2017

Dear Parents / Carers,

As the school year draws to its close, it is a good time for reflection. Looking back over the year we have had some trials but so much more to celebrate. Our small group of Year 6 children are ready to take on the rigours of their secondary education. How they have grown through the year into responsible young people who reflect our school values and will, I'm sure, continue on their learning journeys very successfully.

We strive to ensure that when children leave All Saints they are happy, successful, articulate, aspirational and empathetic young people. Quite an aspiration! All our work is driven around these values and principles and our lovely staff members model them every day. Sometimes a simple thank you is not said enough so I want to extend huge thanks to all the staff at All Saints who go the extra mile every day to provide outstanding opportunities for our children. They are so very lucky.

We are very sorry to say goodbye to Miss Newman, but she, like our Year 6 children is moving on to a further stage in her career. Diamonds Class have loved having Miss Newman as their teacher and we all wish her lots of luck in her new school. They are lucky to have her. Thank you Miss Newman for all you have done for our school and for being such a great team player.

We are very grateful to Miss Hatto for teaching Ruby Class after Christmas this year. I know they have enjoyed their time with her, particularly all the lovely art work. We wish Miss Hatto well in her next ventures. Thank you Miss Hatto for creating many props for Bugsy Malone and for the wonderful photographs!

We look forward to welcoming new members to the All Saints team who have been carefully chosen so that they too, strive for excellence. Indeed they have already been working closely with us in preparation for September. They will bring new ideas to the school and have many skills to share.

There is so much to celebrate about the year 2016-17! We have enjoyed splendid weather for our swimming season and the children have enjoyed their daily swims. I have looked back over the calendar and chosen one highlight per month to illustrate All Saints vision in action. We hope you agree that All Saints is a great place to be!

September - whole school trip to Brownsea Island - fabulous!

October saw our new approach to Harvest with a whole school walk to Holwell Church for a service led by Vicar Richard.

November - our excellent Christmas Fair organised by our lovely parents on ASSA, what a great community event!

December - Diamonds and Topaz Classes performed a thoughtful Christmas story to give us that warm Christmas glow!

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January - our younger children being out and about on village walks during the ever popular Sparkle Time.

February - Safer Internet Day when the children, through a range of interesting activities learnt or revisited some VERY important messages about staying safe online.

March - our brilliant Book Week took place to reinforce clear messages about the importance of reading. We had a lot of fun!

April - The Primary Schools' Music Concert where Years 3. 4 & 5 sang the wonderful songs from Bugsy Malone to a very packed audience at The Gryphon School.

May - Year 5 Residential trip to Hooke Court where bridging the moat, rocket building and den building, were some of the activities.

June - Our amazing Sports Day when the children demonstrated their athletic skills to families and friends on a very hot morning!

July - this has to be Ruby and Sapphire Classes' brilliant version of Bugsy Malone. Everything was amazing - the costumes, the acting, the dancing, the singing which culminated in the biggest splurging of all time! A lot of hard work but great fun!

Finally I must thank our school governors for their unending support of the work we do. They really are the most committed group of people who are certainly helping us to be the best we can be.

Thank you to all the parents who work alongside us and support us in our efforts to ensure our children thrive. They are our inspiration and worth all the hard work. Please enjoy a lovely, long, family-filled holiday to rest and recharge before September when we shall do it all again! Please remember to encourage children to read during the break.

All are welcome to attend the Whole School Celebration Assembly 2.30pm on Thursday - Book Awards, Attendance Awards, Swim Awards and 100 Badge Awards.

Parents of children leaving in Year 6 (or performing) only are invited to the Leavers' Service on Friday at 2.30pm.

Thank you for supporting us in all that we do,

Anne Crumpler