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Friday, 17 March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

## RE: Newsletter 13 – 17<sup>th</sup> March

Firstly, I would like to share how immensely proud we all are of the children this week. They did brilliantly when we had our visitors in and showed them the very best of what All Saints does and can do. Whilst we know they do this day in and day out, they went above and beyond this week and we could not have asked for more from them. It was very emotional to see them take such pride in their learning and our school.

Thank you also for the fantastic feedback, words of encouragement and support, and the generous treats for the staff room to keep us going. They also made us feel emotional too!

We now have to wait for the report to be published, which can take several weeks (not least because of the Easter break). As soon as it is ready to share I will ensure you all know!

## Science Day - today

We've had a fabulous day today, thinking about being scientists, learning about different kind of scientists (and that they don't all wear lab coats and glasses!), and experimenting with hangers, string and sounds... I'm sure the children will tell you about it. Thank you to Mrs Whitby for organising it for us!

## Y3/4 Production – Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

We're very excited to be welcoming Y3 and Y4 parents in to see the production next week. This time we haven't sent out tickets, but you still need to book through Arbor to tell us you're coming. Please ring the office if you have any difficulties. 2 tickets to each performance are available to each family (to prevent being in breach of Fire regulations). If parents can't attend personally, you can book for a relative to attend.

If you will need to attend the dress rehearsal instead due to childcare, please do let us know in the office – don't just turn up! Thank you.

## New Website!

Our new website launched today! Please do have a look at the refreshed design. [www.allsaints.herts.sch.uk](http://www.allsaints.herts.sch.uk)

## Children Unwell

We've seen an increase in the number of children unwell in school this week. There is a lot going around! Please do keep your child at home if they have a tummy bug with symptoms (vomiting and diarrhoea) – the rule is 48 hours from the last episode (not just 48 hours!). This will help prevent spreading it.

There has been some conjunctivitis in our EYFS classes – no time is required off once you have begun treatment (which is available from the Pharmacy – you don't need a GP appointment).

Coughs and colds – you will be able to gauge best if your child is well enough to attend. We will always send them home if not well enough to remain in school.

You might find the following website helpful: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/when-to-worry-about-your-childs-illness/)

**Please remember to contact the school office each day your child is absent – email [finance@allsaints.herts.sch.uk](mailto:finance@allsaints.herts.sch.uk) or telephone 01279 836006 Opt 1. Thank you.**

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## Holiday Vouchers

Hertfordshire County Council will again provide holiday vouchers for eligible Free School Meal families over the Easter holidays. We are in the process of arranging these. The email with the E-code and redeem links will be sent out a few days before the end of term.

## And finally...

Year one went on a walk to Snowley Parade this week. Thank you to our very friendly and helpful shop keepers for making it such a brilliant experience. Sadly, the children were so busy with their shopping that they couldn't get any photos. However, I am very much looking forward to my Grandfather Sausages for breakfast tomorrow morning – thank you for buying them for me!

Yours sincerely,

Mr Philip Asher

Headteacher

## Reminders

<b>Uniform</b> Please ensure the children are dressed in full school uniform – including shoes. We appreciate children grow out of them, and there is a wait for new. But ensure that they wear appropriate alternatives – and as close to school uniform colours as possible. Thank you.	<b>Use of School Car Park</b> The School Car Park is for staff and official visitors only please. Parents can use it for dropping off and picking up before 8am and after 5pm only. Thank you.
<b>Named clothing</b> Please ensure your child's clothing has their name in – even if it belonged to a sibling, please update the name. 200 ties, jumpers and socks all look the same...	<b>Gates</b> Please don't use the vehicle gate to walk through – the children learn from the model they're given. If they see adults using the gate, they think it's safe for them. It isn't. Several near misses over the last fortnight. Please use the pedestrian gates.

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## Reasons To Celebrate

### Shout outs

Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March			
Reception:	Y1	Y2	
Margot & Felicia	Ellie, Ivan, Jack	Bertie, Freddie, Emma, Eliza-Rose, & Grace	
Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Ella & Teddi	Oliver & Archie	Mia & Finley	Gulmeena & Gigi

Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March			
Reception:	Y1	Y2	
Elian & Sam	Everyone!	Harry & Thea	
Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Freddie, Miken & Aadhya	Ollie S & Max J	Ollie C, Adrianna, & Freja	Noah & Natalia

### Merits

Merit Award	Silver Award
Ruby P Katie L Leo M Freddie K Teddi T George C Hayden L	Armin C Oliver Cr Zara H Bella H Amy S Reuben C Gulmeena K

### House Points

St Alban: 45	St Nicholas: 40	St Francis: 39	St Hilda: 41
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### Personal Achievements

Congratulations to **Tom A (Y4)** for a distinction in his piano exam! Brilliant stuff.

Well done to **Anna B (Y5)** for moving on to the Silver Award in her swimming.

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Congratulations to **Eliza Rose (Y2)** for achieving great things in her Gymnastics, and being awarded the Bronze Trophy in a recent competition!



*If you would like to share your child's achievements from home, please let us know. Email the school office for inclusion in the next Newsletter. A photo is always great too, if possible!*

## Diary Dates

*New dates are in bold.*

### March 2023

Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	• Y3/Y4 Production – afternoon performance (ticketed)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	• Y3/Y4 Production – evening performance (ticketed)
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup>	• Bikeability for Y6
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	• Hip Hop performance to parents (before school) • Easter Service in church (2pm)
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	• End of Spring Term – school closes <b>at 3.15pm</b>

### April 2023

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup></b>	• <b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR EASTER BREAK</b>
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	• School reopens for the Summer Term (breakfast club open as normal)

### May 2023

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	• School Closed – Bank Holiday
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	• <b>School Closed – Coronation Bank Holiday</b>
9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	• SATS week in Y6
9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	• Y5 Outdoor and Adventurous week
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	• Y6 Crucial Crew morning
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	• <b>School Closed – INSET Day</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> May – 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	• HALF TERM – School Closed

**If you need help, please use the links on our [Website](#)**

**Or see the 'Additional Help for Families' section of the last [newsletter](#).**

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## Y1 & Y2 Gymnastics

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March, the year 1 and 2 gymnastic team ate an early lunch and made a power walk down to Stortford Gymnastics on London Road. They enjoyed a lively warm up with children from 7 other local schools. Then the competition began! Each child had to perform their routine independently in front of the judges. The next part of the competition was a bench routine. Again, each child remembered their routine and delivered it with confidence! I was very proud of each and every one of them for their performance, their sporting attitude and their excellent behaviour. Well done children!

Mrs Cutmore, PE Subject Leader



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## Forest School Update

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Year 2 definitely had the best weather this week missing the swirling snowstorms of the morning. After a few rounds of '123 where are you' we talked about the project for today. Building a bridge!

The children could tell me why bridges were built and the ones they had seen or travelled over. We also talked about how Bishop's Stortford got its name, being a crossing point of the River Stort.

Next we discussed how to make our bridges safer and how to carry long sticks safely.

Freddie came up with the best and easiest method. Bertie was the first to build his bridge using the materials found in Forest School. Once the children had built their bridge, they set about increasing the span of the supports and having a look how they classmates had built their bridges, keen to try them all out. The children all worked well as a team and respected the work of others.



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This week in Forest School the children have been making colourful posies to present to their Mums on Mothering Sunday. The children choose from a selection of dog wood stems, ivy, euonymus and Elaeagnus.

They needed three from each group which they then tied together with string. To make it special they added a length of pretty ribbon in a bow. All the children managed the task and were really pleased with what they had achieved.



## Holiday Bible Week – this Easter!



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