



All Saints Primary School

Weekly Parent Email

04th April 2025

Dear All,

We are now a member of Pickwick Academy Trust after probably the busiest term I have had since I have been at All Saints. We are delighted to be part of such a highly rated academy trust and it was lovely to see James Passmore (the CEO) and Ray Picton (the North Dorset Director of Education) here on Tuesday to welcome us into the trust. James was also here on Thursday for our first Local Governance Committee meeting.

I would like to take the opportunity of thanking all of our staff for being so professional, so patient and so brilliant at their jobs: the dedication they so to the children is almost unrivalled! They, like the children, truly deserve to have a fantastic holiday.

You should have received an email for a link to activate your Arbor account. It is important that you do this as we are using Arbor for all booking, payments and communications. Please ensure that you book meals at least 2 weeks before the date of the meal. Bookings for meals the first week after Easter need to be made by 14 April. A few people have had trouble logging on to start with, however, generally speaking, those who have tried a few times have succeeded. Here are a couple of Help Centre articles that may help:

- [Troubleshooting login issues - why can't I login to my school's Parent Portal or Parent App?](#)
- [Meal Menu choices on the Parent Portal or Parent App](#)
- [Signing my child up for a Club on the Parent Portal or Parent App](#)

Our Year 5/6 Netball team had a narrow loss to Buckland Newton on Wednesday. Congratulations to everyone who took part and represented the school so well. Also, I would like to congratulate our Sapphire pupils for leading our Easter service, the prayer and poem readers and our wonderful choir for making the service so special.

Due to staff becoming unavailable, we have had to move the Year 5 Sleepover Weekend to 13 – 15 June. I apologise for the inconvenience, however, without staff volunteering, we wouldn't be able to run the weekend.

On Thursday, we were extremely lucky to have Jane Pearce come in to speak to the children. Jane has recently won a national award for Women in Innovation by inventing, designing and bringing to market a device to remove harmful phosphates from water. Jane gave a fascinating insight to life as an entrepreneur.

There have recently been a couple of cases of head lice in school. While lice are nothing more than a nuisance, it is important that children are checked regularly so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they can be allowed to spread. Please follow the simple NHS advised routine below to ensure that you are doing all you can to keep head lice outbreaks to a minimum.

- Use a proper detection comb to trap head lice.
- If you find live lice, consult a pharmacist for treatment advice immediately.
- If head lice are spotted, take a close look at the hair of all the family.

Thank you for your support this term,

Have a lovely Easter,

Nigel and Lisa

Clerk to our Local Governance Committee

We are looking for someone to take over the position as Clerk to our Local Governance Committee. This is a paid role (2 hours per week) and there is potential to take on additional local schools. If you are interested, please speak to Lou in the office,

Attached Documents

Details of Red Tree Forest School Open Day

Certificate for fundraising from Shelter

The Arbor App Guide for Parents

Lewiston Easter Activity Camp

Notices

Sherborne library have two events planned for the Easter holidays.

- Wednesday 9th April Spring Crafts from 2.30pm - 3.30pm
- Thursday 17th April Easter Card making from 10.30 - 11.30am.

Important Dates for your Diaries

7 – 21 April	-	Easter Holiday
Tue 22 April	-	Children back in school
Thu 24 April	-	Y1 Phonics Screening Workshop
12 – 15 May	-	Year 6 SATs
19 – 21 May	-	Year 6 Residential
26 – 30 May	-	Half Term
2 – 13 June	-	Year 4 Multiplication Check
9 – 13 June	-	Year 1 Phonics Screening
10 June	-	Class & Year 6 Leavers Photos
13 – 15 June	-	Y5 Sleepover
Wed 25 June	-	Aquathlon
Fri 27 June	-	Sports Day
Tue 1 July	-	Year 6 move up day @ Gryphon School
Fri 18 July	-	Leaver's Service @ 1:30pm (Year 6 parents, carers & families)
Fri 18 July	-	Last day of academic year
21, 22 & 23 July	-	INSET Days, pupils not in