Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to formally invite you all to the ASSA AGM (Annual General Meeting) on Monday 1st October at 3.30pm in the School Library.

For those of you that are new to the school I would like to take this opportunity to explain what ASSA is and what our objectives are.

ASSA simply stands for ‘All Saints School Association’ and **you are all automatically members of this Association.** However, you are represented by a committee which comprises of Parents and Teachers. The committee structure allows for a maximum of 14 parents, 1 teacher and the Head Teacher Mrs Anne Crumpler. The ASSA committee meets up approximately 6 times a year.

Our primary objective is to raise additional funds for the school via events and sponsorships. Previous events have included Afterschool Cafes, Summer and Christmas Fairs, Easter events, Movie Nights and pop up shops for Mothers’ and Fathers’ Days.

Our secondary objective is to support the school by helping out at school events, for example by providing teas and coffees at school productions and organising the Christmas Parties and last year we held a Royal Tea Party to celebrate the marriage of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle.

We raise on average £3,000 - £4,000 per year and this money goes directly to buying items and providing services for our children’s enjoyment and education at school. This year we have purchased electronic piano, books for the reading scheme, a whole school trip to ‘We the Curious’ in Bristol, Zoo Lab school visit, maths resources and we also fund the ongoing costs and maintenance of the school swimming pool.

The purpose of the AGM is to review the previous year’s activities and to elect / re-elect committee members. It is so important to have new people with fresh ideas, so it would be great if you would consider joining the team. We all work hard from fundraising to social media posts, baking to seeking donations of prizes to make our events the best fun for the children and parents of course, whilst raising money for the ASSA pot.

You can also find regular updates of our events on Facebook if you search All Saints Primary School Bishops Caundle PTA.

If you wish to attend the AGM I will be providing a **UNIVERSAL RATED** film for the children to watch in the school hall whilst the meeting is taking place.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the AGM on Monday 1st October.

Mrs Emma Osment

(PTA Chairperson All Saints CE VC Primary School)