



All Saints Primary School

Weekly Parent Email

1st September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope everyone has enjoyed a wonderful sunny break and I extend a warm welcome back to the new school year at All Saints. Sapphires Classroom and the hall have been redecorated and classroom environments prepared for another year of learning.

This year we extend a big welcome to our children starting school for the first time. Mrs Parsons and Yr1 are excited to welcome them all to Diamonds Class.

All Saints also welcomes Mr Grant Peterkin who will be teaching Sapphire Class, Mrs Debbie Legg who will be teaching Topaz Class and Mrs Laura Jo Gawler who will be supporting teaching and learning. We hope they settle quickly and enjoy working with us all.

I have included some information below for our new families and as a reminder to our existing ones.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please can you ensure we have the correct contact telephone numbers and email addresses for you in school and that information regarding any medical requirements eg asthma is updated as necessary.

START AND END OF DAY

The school is open from 8.45am for all children to come into school, greet their teacher and friends and get organised for the day ahead. **Reception children may be taken directly to their classroom and all other children enter via the children's entrance where a member of staff will be on duty.**

Parents/Carers may use the 'drop off' facility in the morning by driving in and stopping to drop off only, by the children's entrance.

Cars are permitted to drop children off in the mornings as there tend to be staggered arrivals, however please drive

slowly and one way through the service road. Please do not leave your vehicle engine running if you are waiting for the door to open. Also, please do not leave the vehicle at any time – if you need to come in to school, please park outside and walk in to school. In the interest of everyone's safety, parking in school or reversing by the school office is not permitted.

Learning starts at 8.55am and therefore the door is closed promptly.

If you arrive at school after the door is closed then please accompany your child to the office as we will need to ask you to sign them in.

Please can I remind everyone that access by vehicle is not permitted on the school grounds when collecting children at home time. The only vehicles allowed are those that are used for school transport. This is to ensure everyone's safety at this busy time of day.



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At the end of the school day children in Reception, Yr1 and Yr2 are collected from their classroom doors. Parents/Carers access this via the side gate. We suggest that parents collect any children in Diamonds and Topaz Classes first from their classroom and then return to the front of the school to collect brothers and sisters who will be supervised.

CLOAKROOMS

We have very limited space in school. Therefore we request that PE kits are stored in drawstring bags only and that the children bring home learning and reading books in the school Book Bag. Packed lunches are stored on a trolley in the kitchen, therefore there should be no need for large bags in school. Please support us with this issue, we simply do not have the space for large rucksacks in our limited cloakroom space. Thank you.

SPORTS COACHING

As in recent years the children will receive one PE session per week with sports coach, Mr Noyce. This year this will be on a **FRIDAY morning**. We are unable to change the timing of this session and it is always our intention that the children, except in extreme weather conditions, go outside. Therefore, please ensure that PE kits are in school on Friday and as the weather gets colder that this includes additional warmer layers.

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

A reminder that slip returns and letters can be posted in the post box just inside the main entrance or handed to the member of staff on duty at the door. Any worries or concerns, should be made via the class teacher and not the office. Please remember that we are always here to listen and we welcome you into school with any questions you may have. The morning arrangements ensure that teachers are available so that any concerns can be acted on at the earliest opportunity.

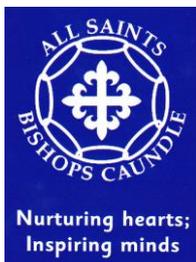
Similarly, we welcome support from parents in school and if you feel you would like to be involved in school life we would love to hear from you. This could be hearing readers, (maybe you could spare us 15 minutes at drop off or just before pick up once a week?) helping with Art and Cooking or any skill you may have to offer! Please speak to your child's class teacher if you would like to become involved.

TUCK SHOP

Year 6 will continue to run a weekly Tuck Shop in school every Thursday break time to raise funds towards their residential trip in the summer term. All children may bring a maximum of 30p to spend at Tuck Shop. Regretfully, we are unable to lend money to children who forget! We are always grateful to receive donations of small cakes and biscuits for this venture and thank you for your support.

MEET AND GREET

'Meet and Greet' sessions will be arranged as an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and learn about the classroom routines for this year. Even if the teacher remains the same other details may change, so please watch out for dates and times and please do come along.



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READING

Thank you once again for your fantastic support with children's reading during the summer holidays, this will count towards their next reading reward. Please encourage your children to take care of their Reading Records and bring them to school daily. On Page 6 you can read the details of All Saints Key Stage 2 Reading Reward Scheme and why it is important that reading at home is recorded.

HOME-SCHOOL AGREEMENT/E MAIL and INTERNET POLICY

We feel that you play a vital role in supporting the school with its values as well as with the education of your child. The parent/school relationship is a vital one in every way. You will find these on pages 3-5 of the Reading Record. Please could you read these and sign as soon as possible. Please also read the child's part of the Agreement with your child and explain what it means. Of course if you would like to discuss the content before signing then please do let us know.

CELEBRATING OUR LEARNING

Children love to share their learning and we continue to offer the opportunity for this through Celebration of Learning assemblies. Please remember anyone is welcome to attend these events – friends and relatives with you or instead if you are unable to come.

Finally, the All Saints team is delighted to be working with you all and your children. Here's to a great year of learning!

With best wishes,

Anne Crumpler
Headteacher

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