



All Saints Primary School

Weekly Parent Email

W/E 07th October 2022

Dear All,

Another fast moving and packed week completed and, rather scarily, now only 2 weeks away from half term!

Daniel England is a long-time friend of the school. Pre-Covid, he used to come into school and lead worship; during lockdown he posted weekly virtual sessions which we shared with the children. He is a great man and a fantastic musician (he plays in a few bands including the David Bowie tribute act Bowie Fashion). Anyway yesterday, Daniel was back in the school and the children absolutely loved it, raising the roof with their singing. Could you please subscribe on You Tube to Daniel's Vine Youth Ministry channel as a few more subscribers will mean that Daniel starts to get money from You Tube to enable him to visit schools free of charge. I am sure that your children will also love to see him again on line

Good attendance is also key to your child's progress and attainment. Students who attend school regularly are able to learn more, have fewer behavior problems, develop better study habits and are generally more successful than students who do not. Absence of less than 95% (or more than 1 day every 4 weeks) is cause for concern. Persistent absence is classed as attendance of less than 90% (or more than 1 day every 2 weeks). As a school, I have to report to Dorset Council on any pupil whose attendance drops lower than 95%.

Parent Consultation

Parent consultation bookings for Tue 18th & Wed 19th October go live today. Please book via e-schools as per the letter sent out earlier today.

Harvest Food Collection

We are holding our Harvest Wellie Walk next Thursday morning. We will be walking (as a whole school) to a nearby field where we will have a brief service to celebrate the beauty of our surroundings and sing a couple of songs. The school worship group has asked that we collect food for the Sherborne Food Bank and the Bishops Caundle Church Food Box this year. Donations of non-perishable goods will be gratefully received and will make a big difference to families in need. Donations can be brought in on any day next week. We are also looking for a few parent volunteers to join us on this walk. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lou in the school office.

Science Theatre Opportunity

As part of the Yeovil Music Festival, Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock MBE is doing a fantastic, children's science presentation called 'Am I Made of Stardust?' at the Octagon Theatre on Saturday 22nd. October @ 10am:

tickets are just £6. <https://octagon-theatre.co.uk/whats-on/all-shows/dr-maggie-aderin-pocock-mbe/8898/>

Tennis Course

Hopefully, earlier in the week you all saw the flyer about the LTA Youth Start Tennis Courses happening at Sherborne. £34.99 for 6 coaching lessons, a tennis racket, t-shirt, wrist bands and balls is an absolute bargain. I recommend booking immediately as the spaces will be filled very quickly.

Flu Vaccine

As a reminder, our annual flu vaccines are happening in school on 21st November where every child will be given the opportunity to have the vaccine. We do have a pupil who, for medical reasons, can't be in contact with any pupil who has had the flu vaccine via the nasal spray and will therefore be absent from school on 21st and 22nd November. However, if your child is getting the nasal spray **outside of school**, please let Lou know in the office so we can take the necessary precautions.

Enjoy the weekend,

Nigel

Key Dates

Thu 13 th Oct	-	Harvest 'Wellie' Walk
Tue 18 th & Wed 19 th Oct	-	Autumn term Parent Consultation 2pm-6.30pm
Wed 2 nd Nov	-	Topaz Class Celebration Worship @ 3pm
Wed 9 th Nov	-	Diamond Class Celebration Worship @ 3pm
Wed 16 th Nov	-	Ruby Class Celebration Worship @ 3pm
Wed 23 rd Nov	-	Sapphire Class Celebration Worship @ 3pm
7 th & 8 th Dec	-	KS1 Nativity
Wed 14 th Dec	-	Carol Service
7 th – 9 th July	-	Year 5 Sleepover

Key Year 6 Dates

8 th – 12 th May	-	KS2 SATs
22 nd – 24 th May	-	Year 6 Residential
12 th July	-	Year 6 Performance
19 th July	-	Leavers Service