

All Saints Primary School Weekly Parent Email

Dear All,

W/E 22nd September 2023

ASSA (All Saints School Association) are our PTA. They do a superb job in raising money for the pupils which goes towards enriching the All Saints experience for all pupils. In recent years they have funded swimming, trips, climbing apparatus. Forest School resources, a composting toilet (soon on its way) and many other things. For those of you not yet received notification from ASSA, they are having their AGM on **Wednesday 11th October at 3:45pm** and they would love for you to come along and support. Your commitment can be as little or as big as your time allows and everyone is warmly welcome. Please do come along (children can stay in school whilst the meeting is happening).

Our pupil groups are soon to be up and running. This year we have a Worship Group, School Council, Eco Group, Action (Charity) Group and E Safety Group. All of the members are elected by their classmates and the groups are empowered to make decisions – in their areas – to make the school a better place.

On the sports field, we have just had an area of artificial grass laid and fenced off. The idea is that when the weather prevents ball sports being played on the field at lunchtimes, this area will be for KS1 ball sports and KS2 will go to the court. This was requested by last year's School Council.

Years 2, 3 & 4 were at Bishops Caundle Church this afternoon, celebrating Harvest. The whole school will be having our Harvest 'Wellie' Walk (where we celebrate harvest and the wonder/joy of nature) on 5th October.

Finally, parking in and around school is always a moot point. Could I please ask you all to park responsibly and with thought to our pedestrians and neighbours, ensuring access is never compromised.

Enjoy the weekend,

Nigel

Bikeability

Lucy, our Bikeability trainer will be starting in school again soon. Bikeability is the government's national cycle training programme which helps children learn practical skills and understand how to cycle on today's roads. Level 1 and 2 is free and will be delivered in school time.

Whilst, when it is their turn, we will ask if children can bring their bike and helmet into school, if that is not possible, Lucy does have some spare. If you are a parent of a Year 4 – 6 pupil and you do not want your child to have Bikeability lessons, could you please let Kirsty in the office know. If you are happy for them to have lessons, we will try to book them on over the next few months, starting with the older children.

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Photographs

Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Sunday 1st October 2023.** Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit <u>www.tempest-orders.co.uk</u>

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

Your Child May Be Entitled to Additional Funds

If you receive:

- Income Support.
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

You will probability be entitled to additional support for your child (this includes free school meals throughout their schooling and money to spend on equipment, uniform, trips, clubs If you believe that you may fall in to this category,)

To apply for this, either:

- Telephone 01305 221000 (you will need your NI number and child's DOB) or
- Apply on line <u>https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/-/pupil-premium</u>. You will then immediately find out if you are eligible for this additional funding

Guitar Lessons in School

We have found a guitar teacher keen to run lessons at our school during school hours:

1:1 half hour session at £15

2:1 half hour session at £10 each

3:1 half hour session at £7 each

Please get in touch with Kirsty if you are interested in booking you child into any of these lessons.

Please find attached a poster for Family Communion for Harvest held at Bishops Caundle Church this Sunday and in a couple of weeks a Pet Service at Folke Church.

Also attached is a poster for The Curiosity Cube, which is free for everyone to attend on the 30th September, see attached for more information.

Important Dates for your Diaries

Thu 05 th Oct	-	Harvest 'Wellie' Walk	
Wed 18 th & Thu 19 th Oct	- nearer	Autumn term Parent Consultation. Booking details will be promulgated r the event	
23 – 27 Oct	-	Half Term	
Mon 30 Oct	-	INSET Day, school closed for pupils	
Tue 31 Oct	-	Pupils back in School	
Thu 2 nd Nov	-	Diamond Class Celebration Worship @ 3pm	
Thu 9 th Nov	-	Ruby Class Celebration Worship @ 3pm	
Tue 14 th Nov	-	Sapphire Class Celebration Worship @ 3pm	



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Thu 16 th Nov	-	Topaz Class Celebration Worship @ 3pm
Tue 5 th Dec	-	KS1 Nativity Rehearsal
Wed 6 th Dec	-	KS1 Nativity @ 2pm
Thu 7 th Dec	-	KS1 Nativity @ 2pm
Mon 11 th Dec	-	Christmas Jumper Day
Tue 12 th Dec	-	Christingle Service in Bishops Caundle Church @ 10am
Tue 12 th Dec	-	Ruby Class Party pm
Wed 13 th Dec	-	KS1 Class Party pm
Thu 14 th Dec	-	Sapphire Class Party pm
Thu 14 th Dec	-	Carol Service in Bishops Caundle Church @ 6:30pm
Fri 15 th Dec	-	Singing around the Christmas Tree in Hall @ 2pm
18^{th} Dec – 01^{st} Jan	-	Christmas Holidays
Tue 2 nd Jan	-	INSET Day, school closed for pupils
Wed 3 rd Jan	-	Pupils back in school