



All Saints Primary School

Information

25/10/19

Dear Parents / Carers,

Wow! One sixth of the way through the school year already. I have certainly enjoyed my first half term and have been inspired by our pupils (not the paperwork) each and every day. There is a really special family feel at our school and every member of the school community contributes to that.

Over half term, the staff will be formally assessing the level of work of each and every child (in every subject). They will then be planning individual next steps for every one of your children. Also during the break, Lisa Regan and I will scrutinising books and assessment data and identifying any child who appears to be falling behind our expectations of them as an individual; we will then be putting measures in place next half term to ensure that any gaps are filled.

On a personal front, many thanks to all of the All Saints community supporting me through my first half term. I hope you have a fantastic and restful break.

RECEPTION PUPILS

As a parent myself, I am well aware that this will be difficult for some. However, after half term, could reception parents please say their goodbyes in the playground (or the Hall if your child is coming into Breakfast Club), rather than taking them into Diamonds Classroom. We are trying to increase the independence of our younger ones and this will help greatly with that.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ODD SOCK DAY

School Council have already done so much to improve our school this year, and it's only Autumn half term! They are really passionate about improving the behaviour of all our children at school and led an inspirational worship last week which included links to rights respecting and why we should all make the right choice and respect others. It is so easy to forget how lucky we are to go to a happy and safe school 5 days a week. We have been looking at the question 'does your behaviour demonstrate how thankful you are for what you have? If you are interested in the discussions of the School Council or future plans, please see their new page on our school website, under 'pupil voice'.

One thing School Council are proud of is improving the schools communities understanding of 'bullying' - purposely targeting specific others 'SEVERAL TIMES ON PURPOSE'. We are having an 'Odd Sock Day' on **Tuesday 12th November 2019** by way of saying to everyone that 'we don't accept bullying at All Saints'.

'Odd Socks Day' is an opportunity for children to express themselves and celebrate individuality. There is no pressure on the children to wear the latest fashion or for parents to buy expensive costumes. All they have to do to take part is **wear odd socks to school**. Our School Council look forward to seeing all children and staff (and families at the school door on drop off/pick up) wearing odd socks! Thank you in advance for joining and supporting Anti-Bullying week.

BIG BOOK BOOST

You have received a flier about the Big Book Boost. As a reminder, if you purchase books online (possibly as Christmas presents) and log on to www.thebookpeople.co.uk/bigbookboost the school will receive £1 for every £10 you spend.

MESSAGE FROM DORSET & WILTSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

As you are aware Halloween, Bonfire night and Diwali are soon approaching and as a consequence more candles, fireworks and sparklers are used, increasing the risk of fire and/ or burns especially to younger children.

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service have produced a short video on our Youtube channel: <https://youtu.be/hEoHwiw5LYU> highlighting the importance of fire safety when choosing costumes/ fancy dress clothes for your children and the importance of staying away from naked flames.

Remember: If clothes do catch fire: stop, drop and roll. If someone is burnt cool (under cold water for at least 20 minutes), call (for help) and cover (first aid as appropriate).

Regards,
Nigel Roberts

Letters Attached:

- What's on next Week W/C 4th November 2019