



All Saints Primary School

Weekly Parent Email

W/E 10th January 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

A very Happy New Year to you all. I imagine that many of you, like me, are please to get back in to some kind of routine! I have been amazed at how quickly our pupils have settled back into the pace of learning.

Over the Christmas break, the staff have been assessing the progress and attainment of our pupils over the past term; we are extremely pleased with the progress of pupils across the whole school this academic year. What has become apparent though is that there is very positive evidence that those pupils who read regularly at home make more progress than those that don't. As a parent myself, I am intimately aware that other commitments and grumpy children can make this difficult! However, if you want the best for your child(ren) – and I know you all do – please do make time to regularly hear them read. I cannot stress enough how much regular reading at home (including reading aloud) impacts on the progress and attainment of pupils in all areas of learning.

Finally, if any of you can spare some time (even if it is 30 minutes a week) to come in and hear some pupils read, please call Lou in the office.

Nigel Roberts
Headteacher

NORTH DORSET FAMILY PARTNERSHIP ZONE DROP INS

North Dorset Family Partnership Zone (NDFPZ) offer early help to children, young people and their families. They can provide information, advice and guidance, as well as direct support around anything relating to family life, including:

- staying safe
- keeping healthy
- parenting
- managing finances

They can bring together professionals to help your child, for example, by working with health visitors, doctor or school teacher, provide one-to-one family work, suggest parenting support courses that could help you and your family or offer help and advice for more complex needs. Our first 'drop in' session with our NDFPZ worker (Louisa) is on the morning of **Tuesday 28th January from 8:45am**. To book a session, please contact Lou in the Office.

YOUR CHILD MAY BE ENTITLED TO ADDITIONAL FUNDS

Families who 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

will in all probability be entitled to additional support for their 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, either:

- Telephone 01305 221000 (you will need your NI number and child's DOB) or
- Pop in and see Lou in the Office with your NI number. You will then immediately find out if you are eligible for this additional funding

CO-OP LOCAL COMMUNITY FUND REMINDER

Every penny counts. Even if you are only an occasional shopper, could we all please register for a Co-op card (cost £1) and then affiliate you card to our School cause. Please all encourage your family and friends to do the same. For further details, or for help registering, please contact the School Office. Current total raised is: £96.07

Kind regards,
Nigel Roberts

Letters attached:

- What's on this week w/c 13/01/2020
- KS1 Trip Letter – Farmer Palmers
- Sapphire Class Trip Letter – Tutankhamun Exhibition
- On-Line Safety Newsletter – January 2020