

All Saints' C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents,

I hope that you had an enjoyable Easter break.

We have a busy and exciting term ahead of us:

- 14th April Parent Forum **CANCELLED**
- 14th April Year 2 SATS parents meeting – school hall 9am
- 15th April Year 1 Seed to tree am
- 15th April Year 1 & 2 Forest Schools pm
- 20th April – Queen's birthday enrichment day and tea party
- 21st April Year 3 & 4 School Farm Fair
- 12th May Year 3 Seed To tree am
- 27th May PD Day – school closed
- 30th May – 3rd June HALF TERM
- 6th June – school reopens
- 10th June – Seed To Tree Yr2 Minding and Mulching
- 13th June – Willow Class visit West Stow
- 15th June – Acorn Class and Oak Class trip to the Theatre Royal
- 5th July – Acorn Class nature walk
- 11th July – 14th July Health and Fitness Week
- 14th July – EYFS/KS1 Sports day am
- 14th July – KS2 Sports day pm
- 15th July - Transfer Day
- 19th July – Reserve Sports Day
- 21st July – 2.30pm whole school open air concert
- 21st July – Last day of term

I will be teaching in Oak Class each Friday morning for the first half of the summer term. After half term, Mrs Goodchild will return from maternity leave and will teach in Oak Class for the final half term of the academic year as part of a job share with Mrs Bolton.

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FOREST SCHOOLS

Miss Kidd and Mrs Schofield will take children in Year 1 and 2 into Frithy Wood for Forest school sessions on the following dates:

15th April, 22nd April, 29th April, 6th May, 13th May and 20th May.

Please make sure you send your child to school in clothing suitable for outdoor activities, with long sleeves and a waterproof coat. Wellies, walking boots and old trainers can be worn but please do send a change of footwear into school for your child to get changed into.

If you would like to help at any of the sessions, please do let Miss Kidd know.

ATTENDANCE

During the Easter break, I have carried out my termly analysis and monitoring of attendance for all children at All Saints'. Attendance is always a high priority at All Saints' as there is a direct correlation between consistently high attendance and good progress outcomes. Where children have high levels of absence, children can struggle to make the progress we would hope and quite often we see gaps in their learning and in their acquisition of key skills.

So far this academic year we have 30 children who have 100% attendance whilst we have 13 children who have below 90% attendance. Our overall school attendance figure is currently 96.4%.

Attendance letters will be sent home this week detailing your child's attendance %. I hope that you find this information useful.

LOOKING AHEAD – SEPTEMBER 2016

We have already been busy making plans for the next academic year when we will become a full primary school, taking children from reception through to the end of Year 6. Our initial forecast is that we will have 160 pupils at All Saints' in September!

After much planning we have decided that our classes will be organised in the following way:

Reception: Mrs Marsden and Mrs Schofield will continue to teach in Acorn Class and due to a large cohort of children joining Reception in September, Reception children will be taught in the room they currently use for the next academic year.

Year One: Miss Kidd and Mrs Gibbs will teach in Oak Class. Oak Class will spend the morning sessions in the Buttercup Building and the afternoons in the Little Acorn Room and shared area each afternoon. In previous years, Acorn Class have had the same arrangement of moving from Buttercup Building to main school in the afternoon and it has always worked very well. However, in light of the large reception class in September 2016 we have decided to switch this arrangement around.

The children will be able to access learning both in class and in the outdoor areas as they make the transition into the Year One curriculum.

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Year Two: Miss Duffety and Mrs Hickford will teach in Ash Class.

Year Three: Mrs Bolton and Mrs Goodchild will work as a job share alongside Mrs Palmer and Mrs Strawson in Lime Class. This class will move to the current Horse Chestnut classroom.

Year Four: Mr Hepper and Ms Morris will teach in Horse Chestnut Class. This class will move into the current Lime classroom.

Year Five: Miss Bennett and Mrs Plummer will teach in Willow class.

Year Six: Mrs Kemp and Mrs Bigg will teach in Elder Class, which will be in the current Year One classroom in the new building.

We will hold a transfer day in the summer term so that all children can spend time in their new classrooms and with their new teacher and teaching assistant. As a new teacher to the school, Mr Hepper will spend a number of days in school, getting to know the school and his new class.

WOODPECKERS

Just a reminder, following my Parentmail at the end of the Spring Term that our prices have increased. A full session will now be £7 and a part session will now be £4.25. A part session is when a child is collected from an after school club or is collected by their parent by 4.45pm.

FLOOD

At the end of the Easter break we had a flood in school, which affected Acorn and Ash classes. Acorn class have moved temporarily into 'little acorn room' and Ash class have remained where they are but without carpets. I would like to thank everyone for their support over the weekend and the very kind offers of help. We hope to have carpets laid over the weekend so that we can be back to normal by Monday.

We are all looking forward to enjoying another busy and exciting Summer Term.

Best wishes,

Clare Lamb
Headteacher

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