

Our All Saints family shall arise and shine



for the light of The Lord is upon us.

ALL SAINTS CEP SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER TERM 4



We are delighted to welcome everyone back to school after our half term break! As we step into this new term, we would like to reflect on the wonderful experiences our children had during the last days of Term 3. To celebrate Chinese New Year, the children participated in a dance workshop, where they not only learned traditional dance moves but also gained insight into the rich tapestry of Chinese culture. It was heart-warming to see their enthusiasm as they took part in various activities in their classes, embracing the opportunity to learn about and appreciate a different culture. At All Saints, we take great pride in being an inclusive school that values diversity, and we believe it is important for our students to explore and understand the varied backgrounds that make up our community. At the end of term 3, you should have received your child's interim report from their class teacher, which detailed their progress thus far. The report also included suggestions on how you can support your child's learning at home, helping them to arise and shine as we move forward in the school year. Your involvement is crucial, and we appreciate your continued support in encouraging a love for learning.

Mrs N Milton

CLUBS

- Monday: Year 4 Multiplication Club (lunchtime)
Year 5 Booster Group
Year 6 SATs Booster Group 3.30pm-4.30pm
- Tuesday: KS1 Mindfulness Club
Year 3 and Year 4 Slime Club
Year 4 Multiplication Club
Family Trust Kids Club
- Wednesday: Year 6 SATs Booster Group (before school)
- Thursday: Year 1 Phonics Booster Club
Year 4 Multiplication Club
Year 5 and Year 6 Gymnastics Club
- Friday: EYFS/KS1 Science Club
Year 6 SATs Booster Group 3.30pm-4.30pm

Clubs run from 3.15pm-4.15pm unless stated.

KS2 SATS REVISION TIPS

The 2026 KS2 SATs will begin on Monday 11th May. As we approach this important time, we ask for your continued support at home to help your child feel confident and well prepared. Please ensure homework is completed regularly, read with your child for at least 20 minutes each evening, and continue reviewing the Year 5/6 common exception words for spelling. It is also important that children learn and revise the SPAG and Maths mat facts that were shared at Parents' Evening, during the SATs Parent Talk in January, and sent home with your child. If you require another copy of any of these materials, please email Mrs Brackenbury.

YEAR 4 MTC REVISION TIPS

In June, the children in Year 4 will be taking a multiplication test. The children are already working hard in preparation for this test, and we ask that parents assist them further. Ten minutes times tables practise every night at home would make a big difference in helping them to improve their rapid recall. There is a link on the school website under 'parents/ tests your child will take' tab which provides further information about the multiplication test and there are also practise resources to assist children at home. Children can also attend the multiplication club which runs in school during the week.

COLLECTING CHILDREN AT END OF DAY

We kindly ask that when you collect your child at the end of the school day, you leave the playground promptly. If you are then waiting to collect a child from the juniors, please ensure that your child/children stay by your side. We have noticed that many younger children, once collected, tend to run around the playground, which can lead to accidents, especially with the number of people present in the playground.

Additionally, we request that you do not crowd the doors from which the children exit. This can obstruct teachers' views and make it difficult for them to see all the adults waiting. Your cooperation in these matters is greatly appreciated, as it helps us ensure a safe and smooth end to the school day for everyone. Thank you for your understanding and support!

BREAKFAST CLUB/AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

The school breakfast club begins at 7.30am in the school dining hall and after school club ends at 5.30pm in the club house. Our numbers continue to grow every day. Every day, the children take part in a range of activities including indoor snowball fights, balloon fun, cake making, bingo and movie night. We would also like to congratulate some of the children from afterschool club who entered a recent competition and were the lucky winners, having their artwork published in a book! If you do wish your child to attend, please can you book them in via the school's digital payment system – ParentMail. Booking your child in, gives the staff advance notice and enables them to cater adequately for all the children who attend. Thank you

DIARY DATES FOR TERM 4

- 24/2 – Children return to school
Choir trip to Young Voices
- 2/3 – LKS2 trip to Kent Life
- 3/3 – Values Day
- 6/3 – World Book Day
- 11/3 – St Anne Class Assembly
- 18/3 – UKS2 trip to Imperial War Museum
- 20/3 – Year 1 (St Patrick) trip to Kent Life
- 20/3 – Red Nose Day
- 24/3 – St Mary & St Christopher trip to Fort Amhurst
- 25/3 – St Patrick Class Assembly
- 2/4 – Easter service and last day of term 4

PHONICS SCREENING CHECK REVISION TIPS

As we approach June, it's important to prepare our Year 1 children (and those Year 2 pupils who didn't meet the standard last year) for the phonics screening check. This short assessment involves reading 40 words—20 real and 20 "alien" (pseudo) words—aloud to their teacher, confirming their phonic decoding skills.

To support your child, please visit the virtual classroom daily and practice the sounds. Encourage blending by having them say each sound in a word from left to right, like /c/-/a/-/t/ for "cat". Practising pseudo-words will help ensure they are decoding rather than guessing. While reading together, ask them to find digraphs (special friends) such as 'sh', 'ch', 'ee', or 'igh'. Lastly, encourage reading a variety of materials, including subtitles on TV. Remember, practice little and often!

MESSAGE FROM ALLAN WARRINGTON – CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

I hope you and your families enjoyed the half term break despite all the cold and wet weather we have been having in 2026. I'm looking forward to some warm and sunny weather this term! Easter is a little earlier in 2026 compared to last year, with Good Friday the day after the end of term. As a result, the whole of term 4 falls within the period of Lent, which is traditionally a time of reflection for Christians in which they look forward to Easter. We hope that your children will work hard, respect and include others and enjoy their time at school this term. We ask for God's blessings for all our All Saints family.