

**WELCOME BACK!** Here is this term's Launch Letter, giving you details of all that's happening this term. Please ask if you have any questions or would like more information. Overleaf is some NHS guidance on staying healthy this winter.

### THIS TERM WE WILL BE...

Welcoming the NSPCC back to follow up on their 'Say PANTS and you've got it covered' work from last year.  
 Launching new 'I'm proud...' stickers with the children, helping them to celebrate and share their learning successes.  
 Continuing to explore the wonderful new Wildlife Garden and pond, and sharing it with the Junior school.  
 Visiting the new Junior school playground bus.  
 Sharing a Buddy Time with the Juniors during our Inclusion Week.  
 Working with our new School Council on plans to replace the Elliot building in the playground.  
 Adding a new Art Club to our extra-curricular provision.  
 Creating a new 'focus table' for the hall.  
 Holding parent/teacher meetings in week two.  
 Helping the children understand the importance of hygiene and handwashing as the Norovirus season begins (see overleaf for NHS guidance).  
 Creating a new school website.  
 Holding our annual Bedtime Story and Nursery Torchlit Walk.  
 Welcoming members of St Saviours Church community into school to run a second Christmas 'Stable Trail', helping to bring the Nativity to life!  
 Creating a Christmas cake factory at St Marks to help spread festive cheer and goodwill through the genesis Trust.  
 Continuing to Tweet about life in our school @saviours\_st

**And working on our School Development Priorities:**

- Introducing a new Maths scheme (adopted by the Junior school last year) that has a strong focus on deepening children's understanding of key Maths concepts.
- Building on recent Inclusion work to ensure the lives of all members of our school and the wider community are valued and celebrated (last year we achieved Level One recognition as a Unicef Rights Respecting school, and held an International Day).
- Focussing on Science and Biodiversity on our school site and in the local area, making good use of our wonderful new Wildlife Garden and pond ( thanks to FoSSI for financing this work)

### CHARITY WORK

This term we will be supporting the annual Remembrance 'Poppy' Appeal, publicising a 'Little Lights' walk in aid of Bliss (a charity that supports families of premature babies), and planning our 'Christmas Cake factory' for the Genesis project.  
 Following the very successful launch of 'Say PANTS and you've got it covered!' by the NSPCC in the Summer term, this year we have made the NSPCC our focus charity. Their work is a wonderful complement to our Unicef Rights Respecting work, and has a direct impact on improving the lives of children.

### THE GOVERNORS WILL BE...

Planning the consultation process for the proposed move to a Multi Academy Trust (MAT).  
 Continuing to raise their profile and engagement with the school community through our new 'year group link' system.  
 Meeting curriculum leaders.  
 Inducting new parent and staff governors.

### FOSSI NEWS

This term our main work will be organising the children's personalised Christmas card orders, and planning the Christmas Fair. Please look out for a letter soon giving you ideas on how to get involved. We will also be providing refreshments for the grown-ups at the Bedtime Story...

"Friends of St Saviours Infants" is our school PTA. We organise events that benefit children and families of the school, whilst also raising funds to help the school provide extra resources for the pupils. Events during the year include the ever popular Quiz Night (February 2<sup>nd</sup>), as well as Christmas and Summer Fairs.

To keep in touch please join our Facebook page "Friends of St Saviours Infants - FOSSI", or visit [www.fossicharity.co.uk](http://www.fossicharity.co.uk) for more information and ways to get involved.



The Infant and Junior PTAs planning together...

### WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED...

- Join us in Paul's Wildlife garden on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> 11am-1pm for some garden clearance.
- Sign up for a parent/teacher meeting next week.
- Join us at the weekly Friday Celebration assembly (9.10 – 9.35), all welcome!
- Become a library volunteer and work with Kamala and Catherine on making sure all the children get the maximum benefit from this great resource.
- Share your gardening skills and help to look after our Peace Garden, or the Kitchen Garden and wider school grounds.
- Offer to help on a class-trip, or become a regular volunteer class-helper (see Ruth in the Nursery for further details).

### THIS TERM'S CLUBS OFFER

- **Taekwondo:** continues on Tuesday
- **Spanish:** Lunchtimes: Y2 Tuesday, Y1 Wednesday
- **Football:** continues for Y1 Tuesdays, Y2 on Fridays
- **Ukulele:** runs on Mondays after school for Year Two pupils
- **Fizz Pops Science Club:** Possibly starts this term
- **French:** About to start with a new teacher from La Jolie Ronde
- **Art club:** for Year Two pupils, Wednesdays after school

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This term's **Collective Worship** theme is 'Empathy'. We will be looking at 'festivals of light' in a range of cultures, making links between the key messages. We will consider the importance of charity work; why do we help people that we don't know? We will also be exploring the Nativity in depth: what makes Jesus a 'special king'? Why is Christmas a special time for Christians?