



All Saints CE Primary School & Nursery

Nurturing, Resilience and Achievement for all!

Headteacher: Mr Philip Asher, BMus(Hons), PGCE, ARCO, NPQSL, MCCT

Friday, 16 April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Newsletter No24

Welcome back to the summer term! It's lovely to have a start of term that has felt, relatively, normal! The weather has been unusual to say the least – starting with snow/frost, then blue skies and sun, and a smattering of rain thrown in, and fabulous sunsets to finish the days off. Plants and flowers are springing up showing off their bold colours, and there's a real sense of the world changing each day. As the weather improves, picnics beckon and it's important to remember to keep ourselves safe as we also emerge from this pandemic!

The children have settled in well to their learning, and excited as they start out on their new topics and themes. In the coming week we hope to share the Curriculum Newsletters for what they'll be doing in class this term.

Our value theme this term is 'Compassion', which fits under our 'Love' value. Showing that we care in our actions and attitudes – care for ourselves, each other and the world around us. It also fits under our 'kindness' value too – with acts of kindness showing compassion in action. A particularly relevant quote from the bible comes from the Gospel of Mark, 6.34

“When Jesus saw the crowd, his heart was filled with **compassion**, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.”

We're also reflecting on the 'what came next' aspect of the Easter story – it didn't just end with the rolling away of the stone! Over the next few weeks our Collective Worship themes will take us through some of the stories of what happened next.

Do look out for updates about after school clubs, and we're working on plans to revive our summer term events – though of course we're guided by the guidance and will try to do what we can!

We can't wait to start meeting up as a community again, but wait we must! We're working on plans for the summer term – sports day, leavers, outdoor/adventurous, art workshops – and we await changes in rules with anticipation!

Star Learners & Merit Milestones

Star Learner Shout Outs:	Merit Milestones:
Casey & Julia (Rec) Ella & Jack (Y1) George & Elliott (Y2) Georgia & Millie (Y3) Taylor & Sutay (Y4) Gabriel & Harry (Y5) Violetta & Henry (Y6)	None this week – we've been busy earning more!

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COVID Symptoms:

If your child or anyone in the household develops symptoms (high temperature, new/continuous cough, loss or change in sense of smell/taste), then you must isolate as a household and seek a PCR test (**not** a lateral flow test) through NHS 111.

During the week let us know through the school office:

Email: admin@allsaints.herts.sch.uk

Telephone: 01279 836006, Opt4

At the weekend or holidays:

Email: dsl@allsaints.herts.sch.uk

We will always inform the school community if there is a positive case in school, and any further actions they may need to take. We will not share any personal details when we need to do this, in line with data protection rules.

The County Council have also asked us to make sure all parents are aware they can claim a **Test & Trace Payment** if they have to self-isolate, are then unable to work and meet certain other income related criteria – you don't necessarily have to be in receipt of benefits to be eligible! Find out more here: <https://www.gov.uk/test-and-trace-support-payment>

Thank you!

Nursery Update – Dinosaurs and Chicks



The dinosaur egg has begun to hatch this week!
Exciting times!

Littleladybirds have shared with us they're expecting an exciting delivery of eggs and an incubator early next week – they will be in our Nursery from Tuesday. We'll be able to keep an eye on them too, which is very exciting. Thank you to the Littleladybirds team for including us!

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After School Clubs This Term

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		8am – Hip Hop		
3.15pm Art Explorers 3.15pm Soccer Development	3.15pm Computer Xplorers	3.15pm Cricket for Y4	3.15pm Cricket for Y6 3.15pm Sewing Club	

Please contact the school office if you're unsure how to book on to any of these clubs.

Cricket Club – this is led by our school coach. It will be for all children in KS2, but split into bubble groups for now. The groups will change to Y3 (Weds) and Y5 (Thurs) later in the summer term. **Please look out for an email on Monday with the sign up links!**

Music Lessons This Term

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Guitar/Ukulele	Drum Truck Flute	Recorders Clarinet		Piano

We offer music lessons in school as extra-curricular activities during the school day (please note children are taken out of class for these lessons). We have various providers, and most are direct book, so please contact the school office for details:

- Guitar/Ukulele (Hertfordshire College of Music)
- Drums (Drum Truck)

Herts Music Service: [Home - Hertfordshire Music Service \(hertsmusicservice.org.uk\)](http://hertsmusicservice.org.uk)

- Recorders
- Flute
- Clarinet
- Piano
- Violin

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PTA News:

Second-Hand Uniform

We have a fair bit of stock available of good quality uniform. Not just 'logo' items! Trousers, t-shirts, dresses, etc. Please let us know if you need anything and we will do what we can.

Email: with your name, child's name, items you need and sizes.

Send in your used Ink Cartridges to recycle them and raise money for school! We now have a collecting bin in the Main Entrance.

theinkbin
keeping the world colourful

Have you printing from home during lockdown?
Please do remember to keep collecting your empty ink cartridges from home for recycling. The Ink Bin pledge to recycle as much of the single-use plastic as possible and also send away some cartridges for refilling in order to reduce their carbon miles. For refillable cartridges, the company will give the school money which we can spend on exciting new equipment.
Please do check at home and at work to see if you have any old cartridges which can be brought into school- every cartridge makes a difference!

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A Prayer for the Nation –

We lift to God those we hold in our hearts – praying for their health, their wellbeing and their sense of hope.

We pray that even when loved ones cannot physically be together they would not feel apart.

We ask for God's help in our communicating, our connecting and our caring.

Amen

CofE Website, Prayer for the Nation

Take care, keep safe, and remember to wash your hands!

Kind regards,
Philip Asher, *Headteacher*

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Additional Help for Families

Below are a list of organisations and places you can find help and support if you need it:

- Aspects Family Support - <http://www.aspects.org.uk/> or telephone 01279 758134
- Citizens Advice Bureau - 03444 111 444 or: <https://citizensadviceeastherts.org.uk/>
- Children's Centre - <https://www.hertsfamilycentres.org/family-centres.aspx>
- Bishops Stortford Food Bank – bsfoodbank.coordinator@gmail.com or on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pg/bsfoodbank/about/?ref=page_internal
- Hertfordshire Children's Services – <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/childrens-social-care/childrens-social-care.aspx> or 0300 123 4034
- Family Lives - <https://www.familylives.org.uk/> or telephone 0808 800 2222
- Action for Children - <https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/what-we-do/parents-and-families/>
- NSPCC - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>
- Childline - <https://www.childline.org.uk/> or telephone 0800 1111
- School Nursing Team - <https://www.hct.nhs.uk/our-services/school-nursing/>
- Stay Strong website: www.staystrong.org.uk

We are recruiting!

We have two vacancies for Learning Support Assistants to join our school team. Please do share this with anyone you think may be interested!

Details are available through the Teach in Herts Website:

Learning Support Assistant:

[Teacher Recruitment, Hertfordshire UK - Learning Support Assistant \(teachinherts.com\)](https://www.teachinherts.com/teacher-recruitment/hertfordshire-uk/learning-support-assistant)

Learning Support Assistant (SEN):

[Teacher Recruitment, Hertfordshire UK - Learning Support Assistant \(Sen\) \(teachinherts.com\)](https://www.teachinherts.com/teacher-recruitment/hertfordshire-uk/learning-support-assistant-sen)

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