



# All Saints Primary School

## Weekly Parent Email

W/E 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parents,

### Year 6 Residential

It has been lovely to hear about the brilliant time Year 6 had at Barton Hall this week. All the children challenged themselves to achieve their best and represented their school perfectly. Miss Scott was very proud and enjoyed her time with the children. She sent me the following message: 'It was a very enjoyable few days with an amazing and lovely bunch of children.' Knowing how exhausting and demanding residential trips are for staff, it was lovely to receive such a positive message from Miss Scott – huge thanks to her for giving freely of her own time for our children. They are so lucky.

### School Swimming

We are pleased that our swimming season has started well. (Just a plea - please try to ensure that your child has a named swimming hat please!)

Thank you for the contributions we have already received towards this and we would be grateful to receive any amounts still outstanding. The children are enjoying their daily swim and are getting high quality daily exercise. We are so lucky to be able to offer this excellent facility on site.

Learning to swim is an entitlement for all children and is a compulsory National Curriculum subject. Jon Glenn, Swim England Director of Learn to Swim says: "Primary school is often the only place that a child will have the opportunity to learn about water safety and basic swimming skills. That means we have to ensure that no one falls through the net. Learning about water safety and knowing how to keep yourself safe in and around water is a life-skill and as such, should be recognised and measured in the same ways as other key subjects such as maths." The Department for Education has just updated its guidance and schools now must publish their swimming attainment levels.

The National Curriculum requirements for swimming and water safety (by Year 6) are:

- swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
- use a range of strokes effectively
- perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations

Letters Home This week:

- What's On This Week
- Father's Day Pop Up Shop
- Family Service at Folke Church

## **A few more things...**

**No Swimming for Diamond Class on Thursday:** Due to Phonics Screening and the New Reception Class visit, there will be no swimming for Diamond Class on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Drumming Lessons:** I am pleased to announce that Dorset School of Music will be starting drumming tuition from 15<sup>th</sup> June Friday for four weeks. Four children will be taking advantage of this tuition and we will keep you updated on their progress

**Trips:** There are two amazing trips taking place this week; Diamond and Topaz Class trip to Carymoor Environmental Centre on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June and a Year 4 Cluster trip to Leeson House and Studland on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June. We are positive that the children will have a fulfilling and rewarding experience.

**Sports Day:** We are all hoping for good weather this Wednesday for our Sports Day which starts at 9.05am and finishes at 12pm. However, in the event of it being a scorcher we need a few gazebos to be able to provide shade of our children and any younger siblings that come to watch. If you have a gazebo and are able to put it up and take it down after the event, we would really appreciate your help. Please contact the school office to discuss. Mrs Regan has been working hard whilst on maternity leave organising the event for us and she will be joining us on the day to manage the morning alongside Mr Noyce. We are looking forward to seeing you all there.

Thanks once again for your support in all we do.

Kind regards,

All Saints