



# All Saints CE Primary School and Nursery

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## Autumn Term 2024 – Week Beginning 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024

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"And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith."

Matthew 21:22 Chosen by: Mrs Harrison, Headteacher

### Welcome Back & Well Done.

Welcome back to all the children who have returned to school after the summer holidays! Our first week went by in a flash. All children, from those new to nursery and reception through to year 6 have all settled in really well. We hope you have all had a lovely relaxing summer break. A **big welcome** to all our new children and their families!



### Attendance and Punctuality for week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

*Punctuality The school gates open at 8:45am & close at 8:55am please arrive on time. If the gate is locked and your child arrives through the main office doors, they are arriving late, and will receive a late mark, please avoid this and take a moment to explain to the office staff the reason.*

- **163 minutes** of learning time was lost due to children arriving late for school this week. Well done to Reception, Year 2 and Year 3 who had all of their children arriving on time each day.

Reception	93.3	Year 2	93.95	Year 4	96.25	Year 6	95
Year 1	92.7	Year 3	95	Year 5	95.83		

Well done to **Year 4!** They will receive 10 minutes extra playtime.

Whole School Attendance: 94.6% this is a fantastic start to the school year.  
The school & national target is 96%

### Swimming Lessons – Year 4 children

As part of the National Curriculum children in Year 4 have swimming lessons at The Pingles Leisure Centre on Friday mornings. Children can come to school wearing their swimwear (Swimsuit or trunks, no bikinis) under their uniform and have a suitable coat and shoes as they will walk there and back. Please ensure they bring: clean underwear, a towel, and goggles if they wear them. Please ensure all children have any earrings removed and long hair is tied up.

### School Dinners

The cost of school dinners has not increased this year, they are £2.65 each day for a full meal, £13.25 for a week.

Please remember that all meals must be paid on the app where possible, in the morning or in advance on the **MONDAY** of the week you require. Copies of the dinner menu are available from the office and are also on the school website:

<https://www.allsaintsceprimaryschoolandnursery.co.uk/school-meals>

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive 'Universal Free School Meals' regardless of their parents/carers financial position.

**Free School Meals** Parents and pupils entitled to free school meals do not have to reapply, but must inform the authority if there are any changes in their circumstances. If you are in receipt of certain benefits, you may be eligible for free school meals, along with many other provisions. Parents, please contact the Customer Service Centre on **01926 359189 TODAY** you could save over £500 a year.

### PE Lessons

Children in all year groups have PE, regularly every week.

Children in all year groups with the exception of reception are required to wear their PE kit instead of uniform.

Reception - Please ensure your child has their named PE kit in school, in a bag. This is hung on their peg, and can be kept in school for this half term and then taken home to be washed during October Half Term.

Please ensure children have their hair tied up for PE and any earrings removed.

Nursery children DO NOT need a PE kit.

#### **PE days:**

Reception – Tuesday and Friday

Year 1 – Wednesday and Thursday

Year 2 – Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 3 – Tuesday and Friday

Year 4 – Monday and Swimming Friday

Year 5 – Monday and Thursday

Year 6 – Tuesday and Friday

### Extra Curricular After School Clubs

The new After School Clubs letters were sent home last week. All clubs have limited numbers, where we are oversubscribed, we will put your child on the waiting list. Clubs available to children are: Years 1 & 2 – MultiSkills on Tuesday until 4pm, Years 3 & 4 Team Games on a Thursday until 4.15pm, Years 5 & 6 Dodge Ball / Netball on a Monday and Football on a Wednesday until 4.15pm. Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Choir on a Wednesday until 4:15pm.

**Multiskills and Team Games are both FULL.**

Please be reminded, these clubs are not a childcare facility and may be withdrawn at very short notice. Please ensure you have a 'back up plan' in place so that your child can either be collected at 3:15pm or attend our paid After School Provision.

All children are expected to adhere to our school behaviour policy:

[https://www.allsaintsceprimaryschoolandnursery.co.uk/files/ugd/7a5f5be\\_b1deca2401e5411eb3f0634eef2e3eac.pdf](https://www.allsaintsceprimaryschoolandnursery.co.uk/files/ugd/7a5f5be_b1deca2401e5411eb3f0634eef2e3eac.pdf) failure to do so may result in being removed from the club.



### **School Photographs**

Children will be having their individual school photographs on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October. Children will bring home the 'proof' with the order form for you to order copies of the photographs. Orders are **NOT** to be made through the school office. **Please complete them online via the link on the proof.**



### **School Uniform – PLEASE NAME ALL CLOTHING!**

All children are expected to wear school uniform. This is:

- A sweatshirt £12.50, cardigan £13.50 or fleece £15.00, which can all be purchased from the school office via the MyEd APP.
  - Grey trousers, skirt/pinafore. Grey shorts, blue and white checked or striped dresses in the summer.
  - White polo shirt, long sleeved white shirt or blouse.
  - **BLACK SHOES** – flat & sensible that children can fasten themselves.  
**NO TRAINERS**
- PE kit – white t-shirt, black shorts, trainers or black to keep in school. PE bags are available to purchase at school for £6.50
  - Book bags are available to purchase for £6.00 for a small bag or £8.00 for the larger messenger style bag. **NO jewellery is to be worn.**

### **Before & After School Care**

If your child is in Reception through to Year 6 and you would like to use our before or after school club please contact the school office.

Breakfast Club is open for drop offs between 7.30am and 8.30am for £3.00 per session, payable in cash on the day or in advance. This will be increasing after the October half term holiday to £4.00 per child.

After school sessions are from 3.15pm until 5.00pm Monday to Friday, at a cost of £10 per session. Half sessions are currently available, these are from 3.15pm until 4.30pm or from after school sports club until 5.00pm at a cost of £7 per session. Late collections will be charged at £5 per 15 minutes.

**After school club must be booked and paid for in advance, via the app or in the office.**

Forms are available on the 'Before & After School Provision' page on the school website:

<https://www.allsaintscephprimaryschoolandnursery.co.uk/breakfast-club> Please contact the office if you require more information.

### **Bicycles and Scooters**

Children are welcome to come to school on their bicycles and scooters. They can leave them in the shelter behind the small gate. School cannot accept any responsibility to loss or damage of bikes or scooters that are left.

Please remind your child they must **WALK** with their bike or scooter when they are inside the blue gates. Bicycles and Scooters **MUST NOT** be ridden through the staff car park.

## All Saints' Happy Lunchtime Awards

Each week, each midday supervisor chooses a child each week who they feel has shown our school values at lunchtimes. This will be celebrated in our Celebration Assembly on Monday.

Mrs Hyde	Connie	Mrs Edwards	Freddie O-H
Mrs Powell	Poppy	Mrs Fyfe	Amik
Miss Dodd	Heath	Mrs Clarke	Shelby
Miss Lodge	Mya	Mrs Paradowska	Reeanna
Mrs Patel	Harley S	Mrs Lusty	Freddie C
Miss Reid	Finley J	Miss Rouse	David S

The class winning the PomPom Challenge and being awarded with the Golden Lunchbox is:



### Reception



Well done to the whole school for all the lovely behaviour we have seen this week at Lunchtimes. All Saints has been 'Pom'tastic!

## All Saints' Vision and Values Award

At All Saints, our vision is **Learning for life, building a firm foundation**. We aim to give all children the best possible start in life and encourage the whole school community to be kind and forgiving towards one another. We aim to create a happy and caring atmosphere where children can learn, grow and develop together into independent and confident children ready to flourish and build their firm foundation for life.

We want to recognise the children who are working towards our school vision and are demonstrating our school Christian values. We present two weekly awards to two children in each class every week.

The Vision Award recognises children who have worked hard and are building their firm foundations in their learning or personal development.

The Values Award recognises children who are demonstrating our school values of **Love, Truth, Faith, Hope** or **Peace**.

Autumn Term 1 week 1 All Saints Vision and Values certificates have been awarded to:

Vision Awards		Values Awards		
Nursery	Imogen	Nursery	Isaac	Love
Reception	Jessica	Reception	Layla-Jai	Love
Year 1	Hálo	Year 1	Theodore	Love
Year 2	Joseph	Year 2	Michaela	Faith
Year 3	David	Year 3	Stephen	Love
Year 4	Kacper	Year 4	Eniola	Faith
Year 5	Lacey	Year 5	Jake	Faith
Year 6	Finleigh	Year 6	Leo	Faith

Have a look on the Vision & Values page of the website to see children receiving their certificates.

## Secondary School Open Events

Local Secondary Schools all have open events for children and their parents to attend, to help them choose with school they would prefer to attend. These are:

George Eliot – 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Nuneaton Academy – 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 5 – 7pm
Hartshill Academy – 19 <sup>th</sup> September	St Thomas More – 10 <sup>th</sup> October 6pm
Etone College – 26 <sup>th</sup> September 5 -7:30	Higham Lane – 10 <sup>th</sup> October 5:30 – 8pm
Higham Lane North, due to open September 2025 with 150 Year 7 pupils. Open event will be at Higham lane school on 16 <sup>th</sup> October	

## Secondary School application 2025

**Do you have a child in Year 6?** If so, you need to be applying for a secondary school place this September ready for September 2025.

The application process opened on 1 September 2024 and the deadline to apply for a secondary school place is **31 October 2024**. If you apply by this date, you will receive your child's school offer on **National Offer Day (1 March 2025)**.

You are much less likely to be offered a place at your preferred school if you apply late as local schools fill quickly.

You need to apply online on the Warwickshire Parent Portal.

Our Pastoral team, Mrs Lusty and Miss Rouse will be available for parents who would like some support with this process.

**Year 6 parents are welcome to pop in to school for help completing the application on; Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October.**

Please bring with you suitable proof of address such as

- Council Tax bill for the current financial year
- signed and dated tenancy agreement
- Copy of solicitor letter confirming exchange of contracts on a new property

This will be required to complete your online application.

## Reception applications September 2025

**Parents of nursery children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?** You need to apply for a Primary School place for Reception this November. The application process opens on **1 November 2024** and the deadline to apply for a Reception school place is **15 January 2025**. If you apply by this date, you will receive your child's school offer on **National Offer Day (16 April 2025)**.

**Your child will not automatically be offered a place in our Reception class!**

You need to apply online on the Warwickshire Parent Portal

Our Pastoral team, Mrs Lusty and Miss Rouse will be available for parents who would like some support with this process. Please pop in on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**.

Please bring with you, suitable proof of address such as

- Council Tax bill for the current financial year
- signed and dated tenancy agreement
- Copy of solicitor letter confirming exchange of contracts on a new property

This will be required to complete your online application.



Warwickshire  
Safeguarding

If you have concerns that a child is suffering any form of abuse, neglect or cruelty contact the **Warwickshire Children and Families Front**

**Door (Front Door)** immediately by calling **01926 414144**. Lines are open Monday to Thursday 8.30am - 5.30pm, Friday 8.30am - 5.00pm. If you need to get in touch out of usual office hours, please contact the **Emergency Duty Team** immediately by calling **01926 886922**. If you think that a **child is at immediate risk**, call **999**.

### Important Dates for your Diary 2024

Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Messy Church – Parish Hall, All Saints Church 3:30 – 5:30pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 5 trip to Staffordshire Regimental Museum
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 trip to Coventry Cathedral
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	The George Eliot Academy open evening
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Hartshill Academy open evening
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 SATs meeting 2:30pm
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Etone College open evening 5-7:30pm
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	Year 1 Local area walk to support their topic
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Year 6 SATs meeting 9:00am (repeated from 2:30 session)
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu Immunisation sessions Reception to Year 6
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual photographs
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Teacher Training Day – school closed to children
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Autumn Half Term Holiday
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Deadline for applying for a Secondary School place Sept 25
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Application process opens for Reception places Sept. 25
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Children return to school 8.45am
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 Health Assessment Questionnaires
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Nursery & Reception Nativity Story at Church
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery & Reception Nativity for parents at 10am & 2pm
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Carol Concert at All Saints Church (afternoon, 1 ticket per family)
	<b>Christmas Dinner Days To Be Confirmed</b>
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Children break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2024	Christmas Holidays
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Teacher Training Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Reception & Year 6 Heights & Weights
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	Deadline for applying for a Reception place for September 24
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Secondary school National Offer Day

**Am I eligible for Free School Meals? Call 01926 359189**

**School Nurses text messaging number: 07520619376**

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/> Practical advice for parents





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**'This is a Good School' Ofsted**



4<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## **LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

The Supreme Court has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (Platt v Isle of Wright 2017). The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law states a leave of absence may only be granted by a school if an application is made in advance and if it considers there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application.

Schools must judge each application individually considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind each request.

A leave of absence is granted entirely at the school's discretion. Generally, a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation would not constitute an exceptional circumstance.

Where a leave of absence is granted, the school will determine the number of days a pupil can be absent from school.

When making an application for Leave of Absence parents are advised to give sufficient information and time to allow the Head teacher the opportunity to consider all the exceptional circumstances and to notify parents of their decision. The school may also request further information on the application and supporting documentation where appropriate.

It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is the parents' responsibility to ascertain if the leave is authorised prior to the start of the leave.

The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent ie the parent with whom the child normally resides.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child is expected to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded

as an unauthorised absence. Where a leave of absence is requested, but additional days taken either prior to or after the request may be considered as part of the leave of absence.

Leave of Absences which are not made in advance cannot be authorised in line with legislation. This will result in the absence being recorded as 'unauthorised'.

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council. Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices and in the first instance, as an alternative to prosecution proceedings.

#### **Leave of Absence taken in the academic year 2024-25**

**The law relating to Penalty Notices changed with effect from 19 August 2024. Therefore, Penalty Notices issued for Leave of Absence taken from September 2024 will be issued in accordance with the updated legislation.**

- Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices – 4 in total).
  - First Leave of Absence offence: The Penalty Notice amount of £160 to be paid within 28 days, this is reduced to £80 each child if paid within 21 days.
  - Second Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): The amount of £160 paid within 28 days. No reduced amount.
- Payment plans will not be offered and/or payments received outside of the 28 day period will not be accepted. Where a penalty notice expires unpaid the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider criminal prosecution.
- Third Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): A penalty notices will be not be issued and the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal prosecution proceedings under S444 of Education Act 1996.

**Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority.**