

NEWSLETTER - Tuesday 30th October 2018

DEADLINES

Secondary School Applications for September 2019

Please note that it is now time to apply for a secondary school place for your child in Year 6. The application form is available on the council website at:

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions (Right click and open hyperlink)

The closing date for applications is Wednesday 31st October 2018 at 5pm TOMORROW!

Applying for a Primary School place for September 2019

If your child has their 4th birthday between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019, you need to apply for a school place for September 2019. The application form for completion is available on the council website at:

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions (Right click and open hyperlink)

The closing date for applications is Monday 15th January 2019 at 5pm.

Failure to apply on time for school places will affect your chances of obtaining a place for your child at your preferred school.

Parking

Please vacate cars from the back playground as soon as possible at the end of the school day as Oscars, our after school club, need to shut the gates to allow children to go out to play. Now the weather is getting cold and wet, please do not park on the grass. It is wet and boggy and this has resulted in cars having to be towed off at the owner's expense. Also as a matter of safety, can we remind you to keep your children off the field and Trim Trail as they are both slippery and can be a hazard.

Welcome

We are very happy to welcome Mrs Davies who has joined us this week. She will take up the post of Phase 1 Lead responsible for EYFS and Year 1 and will be teaching in Class 1 St Clare.

Mrs Campbell will be starting her Maternity Leave on Monday 5th November and we wish her lots of luck and joy in her new role as a Mum.

As with new beginnings there are always goodbyes. Mrs Ali Canfield, who has worked with us at All Saints for 9½ years, is leaving on Friday 2nd November. She has worked within the school, mainly in Reception and Key Stage 1, as a HLTA. We are all going to miss her joyfulness, colourfulness and kindness. I'm sure you will join me in wishing her well in her new venture as a Nanny although, I'm sure, we haven't seen the last of her as she will be volunteering in the future.

School Games Gold Mark

Our school always endeavours to improve its provision of Sport for our pupils. Over the last year the children have been involved in many sporting activities and competitions due to the commitment of our teachers and pupils. A special thank you goes to Mr Wellard who worked tirelessly on promoting sport, health and wellbeing initiatives last year. At the end of the summer term he submitted our portfolio and secured the "School Games Gold Mark" which we are very proud to display on our school letterhead and this will be appearing on our new website!







Year 6 - Visit from the Polymers Man

Year 6 had a fantastic day with Dr Nick, learning about all types of polymers (plastics!) from PET to PVC and beyond! The children watched how polystyrene balls were made, sorted different types of polymers and considered the real world implications for living in a polymer-reliant society. A great day was had by all with a big thank you to Dr Nick.

Year 5 Open Afternoon

On Friday 12th October, Year 5 parents were invited in for the afternoon to complete a codebreaking task. The children were in teams with their parents and were sent off in search of clues that were scattered around the playground. The children had to then use the letters from the code to find the final clue, which turned out to be the names of our class Saints, St Paul and St Cecelia. The children were brilliantly behaved and had lots of fun! It was great to see lots of competitiveness (particularly from the adults!)

Year 4 Open Afternoon

On Friday 5th October we invited Year 4 parents in to watch us perform a Roman marching formation called 'testudo' (Latin for tortoise).



Year 3 - Harvest Festival

Thank you to all the parents who came to celebrate the Harvest Worship with Year 3. The children loved making their harvest wreaths with you after the worship and sharing their understanding of why Harvest is so important to Christians. We completed some fantastic R.E. work last half term on this subject and are very grateful for your continuing support.

Thank you to all our parents who sent in Harvest donations which were sent to the Hope Centre Homeless Charity.

Year 3 - Greek Day

Greek day was fantastic! The children's costumes were wonderful and it was lovely to see so much effort going into our topic. The children particularly enjoyed making laurel wreaths on Greek Day and taking part in our (modified) Ancient Olympic Games. We hope the children continue to talk as enthusiastically about our Greek topic after half term.



Black History Week

The week beginning Monday 15th October saw pupils exploring history heroes whose stories have been neglected, in Black History Week.

In Key Stage 1 pupils looked at Rosa Parks and explorer King Abubakari, whilst in Key Stage 2 the focus was on local footballer Walter Tull who was the topic of a workshop lead by Northampton Town Football Club. All pupils enjoyed creating a range of art and literature inspired by their chosen hero; from stained glass windows to peg puppets and persuasive letters to poems. Furthermore, our older pupils were able to reflect on the issue of racism and how we can combat prejudice and injustice in our present day society.







Book Fair

During the week commencing Monday 26th November we are holding our annual Book Fair. We will send a ParentMail nearer the time with details of how to save an additional 10% by ordering on-line.

Year 6 - Design Technology Project

During this term our Year 6 children will be looking at designing and creating model Anderson Shelters. We are looking for boxes of varying sizes and anything else that you may think is useful (e.g. corrugated card, bubble wrap, etc.) Please send these items to our Year 6 classrooms. Thank you!

Year 6 - Poppy Remembrance Walk

We need your help! On Thursday 15th November, Year 6 are taking part in a Poppy Walk to show their respect to those that have fought for our country and to commemorate the centenary since the end of World War I. We would like donations of any clean plastic bottles as we are going to get creative and make poppies.



Bespoke Christmas Cards - Friends of All Saints (FOAS)

Sometime over the next week your child will bring home their artwork in the form of a sample Christmas card. These cards are a wonderful way of celebrating and sharing your child's artistic talents with your family and friends whilst raising money for our school. Included with the artwork will be a deadline date for orders so please check your child's book bag. Thank you for your support.





TO LISTEN TO US READ.

Calling all Mums, Dad, Grandparents, Carers. Do you have a spare hour to come into school and listen to some readers? If you have any spare time, please leave your name with the School Office.

Diary Dates

Below are some up to date diary dates for the coming term. Watch this space for additional dates too.

October		
Wed 31st	Class Reception St Francis – Stay and	
	Play - 9 to 10am	
November		
Thurs 1st	Year 6 Visit to Peterborough Cathedral	
Fri 2 nd	Eucharist in Chapel – AM	
	All Saints Service at 2.15pm	
	– All Welcome	
	Class 5 St Paul - Swimming sessions	
	begin.	
Tues 6 th	Class Reception St Mary - Stay and Play	
	- 9 to 10am	
	Year 4 Residential Parents Meeting –	
	3.30pm in Music Room	
Fri 9 th	Remembrance Worship lead by Year 6	
	St Peter – 9am	
Mon 12 th	Reception Phonics Workshop - 2.45pm	
Thurs 15 th	Year 6 Sponsored Poppy Walk	
Fri 16 th	Family Worship lead by the Student	
	Council - Children In Need	
Fri 23 rd	Family Worship lead by Year 6 St	
	Catherine	
Mon 26 th	Book Fair in School – Monday to	
	Thursday – more details to follow.	
Fri 30 th	Family Worship lead by Yr. 5 St Cecelia	





December	
Mon 3 rd	Flu Immunisations – Reception to Year
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Wed 5 th	Key Stage 2 Advent Service – 6.30pm
Fri 7 th	Family Worship led by Year 5 focus on
	The Hope Centre
Mon 10 th	The Pantomime's in Town!
Wed 12 th	Years 1 and 2 Carol Concert - AM
Fri 14 th	Reception Nativity
	NO FAMILY WORSHIP
Mon 17 th	Key Stage 2 Christmas Party Day
Tues 18 th	Reception and Key Stage 1 Christmas
	Party Day
	Christmas Dinner Day
Wed 19th	Christmas Jumper Day
	Term Ends – 3.15pm
	Happy Christmas Everyone!

Dr Nick working with Year 6





