

ALL SAINTS' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER

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We come to the end of another week, with some pretty nasty winter weather, extremely cold conditions followed by heavy rain. But it is noticeable that the days are starting to get longer, shoots are appearing in flower beds and today we've had some sunshine. Meanwhile in school we have had yet again lots to enjoy and much to learn. I particularly love how it is not just the children who learn— adults do too. See the Staff Shout Outs!

Next week we are looking forward to marking National Storytelling Week. If you would be able to come into school to tell a story, and have not yet responded to Mr RV's invitation, it is not too late to do so. We will also be celebrating numbers in all their various forms, including in stories and there will be the opportunity to dress up on Friday—again please see the letter which came out from Miss Pitteway for further details.

Finally, we, as a staff, are looking forward to taking part in the FOASS Quiz next Friday evening. Again it's not too late to sign up for this most enjoyable evening. My best wishes for a very good weekend.
Ms Wood



Worship Theme for Next Week
Be The Change!

Be a Light in the Darkness

Y3 & Y4 LET'S GO WORKSHOP

On Tuesday Year 3 and 4 had a visit from an explorer who taught us lots of different things about Geography. We learnt about the Prime Meridian and the time zones around the world as well different climates. Did you know we live in a temperate climate which means our weather changes all the time? We then went into groups



and made our own adverts about the 5 different biomes: tropical rainforest, desert, tundra, grassland and polar. We had so much fun!

'It was very fun, I loved playing different games and my favourite part was when we made our own adverts about different biomes.' *By William S—Y3*

'We got to learn lots of different things about Geography like the equator and line of longitude and latitude' *By Sahara—Y3*

'We learnt about the different time zones and played a game where everyone acted out what was happening at different times across the world' *By Skye—Y3*



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Dates For Your Diary:

Please note this section is updated regularly as is the calendar on the website. In future newsletters, new dates will be added here in red.

Spring Term 2023

Monday 30th January

Start of National Storytelling Week

Y6 Trip to the Houses of Parliament—letter to follow

Friday 3rd February

NSPCC Number Day— Mufti Celebration Assembly
9.15am Parents welcome

Wednesday 8th February

KS2 Eucharist—all welcome

Zoolab Workshop for Nursery, Reception and KS1—letter to follow

Friday 10th February

Y4 Class Assembly at 9.15am

Break up for half-term at 3.30pm

Monday 20th February

Children back to School

Wednesday 22nd February

Ash Wednesday Eucharist, 11am in church. All welcome

Thursday 2nd March

World Book Day

Wednesday 8th March

Y1/Y2 Trip to the Transport Museum—letter to follow

Friday 10th March

9.10am—Y2 Class Assembly

Weds 22nd and Thurs 23rd March

Parent Consultations 4pm start

Note change of dates

24th March

9.10am—Y5 Class Assembly

28th March

7pm in church—KS2 Easter Passion

31st March

End of Term 2pm

WORK IN Y2

Yesterday Tanvi in Year 3 talked to Year 2 about what it's like to be a Sikh. She told us about a Sikh festival, the Sikh place of worship and how she covers her head in this beautiful headscarf (pictured) when she goes there. She even told us a story that explains why Sikh women started wearing them. The children asked some interesting questions such as whether she cuts her hair and what ceremonies there are for Sikhs.



WORK IN Y6—Holocaust Memorial Day

Online Learning Event
HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY
For Primary Schools
WITH GUEST SPEAKER
PETER LANTOS
Born in Hungary in 1939, Peter was deported to the concentration camp Bergen-Belsen in Germany where his father died. After a career in medicine, Peter is now publishing his book 'The Boy Who Didn't Want to Die.'
Thursday 26th January
10-11am

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY
PETER LANTOS STORY
Today we will have an online Holocaust Memorial Day, with a special online film, a book, a letter and a story.

STARS OF THE WEEK!

Reception: Zaria & Harvey
Year 1: Mikayla & Joshua J
Year 2: Yara & Hussein
Year 3: Cyrus & Kitty
Year 4: Tali & Alfred
Year 5: Kene & Lyla
Year 6: Miguel & Zac

Good Conduct Awards—from Detective Wisso

Congratulations to:

Maya A in Y1 for impeccable manners, showing kindness to everyone

Clemmie in Y6 for always putting others before herself

Well done everyone — you are a credit to the school and you have earned teampoints for your House!

STAFF SHOUT-OUTS

To: Mrs Haxton-Bartlett from Mrs M for leading our last two staff meetings and bringing much fun and joy to our Wednesday evenings.

To: Mrs Haxton-Bartlett from Mr Choomsaeng for organising a wonderful after school workout session—I look forward to the next one!

To: Mr Choomsaeng from Ms Sharp for helping to make the Voulez-Vous French workshops run so smoothly.

To: Ms Sharp from Mr Choomsaeng for organising the French workshops—he learnt a lot of new French vocabulary

To: Miss Nicky from Mr RV for turning the corridor into a festive Chinese New Year experience!

To: the Y2 Team from Mr RV for setting up your children so well to have an amazing day of learning

WORK IN RECEPTION

Last week in Reception we were thinking about how we could protect Humpty Dumpty from his 'great fall'. We worked in pairs to design a protective case and made a list of the items we would need. Today we made the case around a real egg! Then, we went outside and dropped each Humpty Dumpty to see if our protective case worked. 9 out of 15 Humpties survived!

'We designed a humpty dumpty case. I used fluff and a pencil to hold the parachute. Mine didn't crack.' *William*

'I used cushion fluff and tape and it survived!' *Theo*

'Bubble wrap! It crack!' *Toby*

'I added tape and a box and a blanket and it survived!' *Georgie*



LET'S GO WORKSHOP CONTINUED

'On Wednesday, we had a Geography workshop where it linked to our Geography lesson. We learnt about longitude and latitude. We learnt the five most famous lines; Prime Meridian, Equators, Tropic of Cancer, Tropic of Capricorn and The International Date Line.' *By Toby—Y4*

'When people ask you about continents, you can tell them that there are seven continents; Australia, Europe, North America, South America, Antarctica, Asia and Africa' *By Freddie—Y4*

'When we go on holiday, you can work out the time difference from England to the country you're in' *By Leo—Y4*

'I enjoyed when each group had to share their facts about different biomes.' *By Aalia—Y4*



KS2 FRENCH WORKSHOP

On Monday, KS2 were treated to a fantastic workshop called Voulez-vous! The actors did not speak a word of English during the workshop but our children were not daunted at all! Have a read of their comments about this wonderful immersive experience below:

'Even though it was in a different language, everyone still knew what they were saying. It will help when you have to pronounce words. I most enjoyed the quiz!' *By Archie—Y6*

'I'm not good at French so I learnt a lot. I learnt how to say croissant and that le fromage means cheese. The best bit was where Tom dressed up as the lady coming into the bakery and Henri dressed up as the cheesemonger and then pretended to sell the cheese or the croissant.' *By Maddi C—Y6*

'I learnt some things about French History. I was the king and had my head chopped off in the French Revolution. The King was bad and did not give the people food so they decided to kill him and the Queen.' *By Ahmed—Y6*

'It was good because they were talking in French and we could understand them! They showed us actions and repeated things - cocorico!' *By Kene—Y5*

'It was really fun because it was funny and they only spoke French. I was worried that I wouldn't understand them but I understood everything they said!' *By Dior—Y5*

'It was fun because I enjoyed the activities. The quiz was funny and my brother got his head chopped off!' *By Zainab—Y5*

'I was hearing new words and I learnt words like la fromagerie, and how to say North, South, East and West in French. It will help our French learning. I enjoyed everything because it was funny and it made me laugh.' *By Star—Y4*

'The show linked to our French lessons because it was about speaking French and food in French. I learnt how to say bakery and cheese in French - it might help me to order cheese and bread in a shop. It also helped my Geography.' *By Leo—Y4*

'I learnt how to understand French by watching actions. The part I most enjoyed was when we were holding up a bakery sign and Tom dressed up as a lady who was buying bread.' *By Mattia—Y4*

'It was really funny because everyone was clapping. Me and Cameron go to hold up the cheese sign. My favourite part was when they were racing to get the bits of the country in the quiz.' *By William—Y3*

'The two people were dressing up. One was pretending to be a lady and the other man was handing out cheese. I didn't understand it all but it did make me laugh!' *By Kitty—Y3*

'I liked the show because it was really funny. I laughed when Tom dressed up as a woman when he went to buy croissants. I know that they said my name in a funny way.' *By Catalaya—Y3*

'In the French workshop, we made a gameshow on television. Caleb was the director of the show, There was also a special guests, he was the cockerel called Jack and Georgie was his bodyguard. My favourite part was when Henry and Tom pretended to be in a Fromagerie (Cheeseshop). Henry went crazy about the cheese and it was so funny' *By*

'I learnt that cheese means fromage in French and I learnt how to write North, South, West, East in French -nord, sud, est and ouest.' *By Luca—Y4*



WORK IN Y5

In year 5, in science, we were able to create and design their own parachutes and also test if they could work.



MUSIC IN RECEPTION

Reception listened to recordings of string instruments playing pizzicato (plucking) and con arco (bowing). They completed their learning by listening to the Humming Chorus from Puccini's Madame Butterfly. They did this through SQUILT: Super Quiet Uninterrupted Listening Time. They managed 3 minutes of deep concentration and commented on the calm tone of the music.



KS2 COMPOSITION

Keystage 2 did an outstanding job this week at composing. Here is Year 3 putting together 4 bars of music on the xylophones and glockenspiels. Maybe we have the next Benjamin Britten in the making.



CONGESTION OUTSIDE SCHOOL

In a bid to find a long term solution to tackle the congestion caused by cars outside school at drop-off and pick up times (this bus was prevented getting round the turning circle this morning by inconsiderate parking) the School Council have decided to get involved and get change going. They are kicking off their efforts with a traffic census all week next week at collection and drop off times. The information they gather will form part of letters to our local MP Fleur Anderson, letters to the press and Transport for London. They might take photos of pinch points. Please be supportive of the children's efforts and gracious if they approach you. *Mr RV*



At All Saints' Primary School we care about not only our pupils but also you, the parents and carers. As we adjust to the new times and continue to wait for changes and updates from the government, please do think about your well-being. Please let us know how we are able to support you and your family. Here are a few organisations that you may find useful.

NSPCC

www.nspcc.org.uk

0800 1111 (under 18) 0808 800 5000 (over 18s)

Provides support and information for children, young people and parents/carers.

Activities for children/families in the Keeping Children Safe area.

Cruse Bereavement Care

www.cruse.org.uk

0808 808 1677

Supports you through your grieving process on the helpline. They are also able to sign post you to a bereavement specialist. Additionally, can help you support your child/children.

Hope Again: Young people living after loss (Cruse for young people)

www.hopeagain.org.uk 0808 808 1677

Support young people through their grieving process on the helpline. They are also able to sign post the young person to a bereavement specialist. Additionally, they can help you support your child/children.

Mental Health UK

www.mentalhealth-uk.org

Able to sign post you to range of organisations that can offer you advice about your worries and concerns e.g. mental health, money support and health and well-being.

Rethink

www.rethink.org

0808 801 0525

Will provide information and advice for those diagnosed with a mental illness or for carers of individuals with a mental illness.

Mind

www.mind.org.uk 0300 123 3393

Will provide non-urgent information and mental health support and services.

Trussell Trust

www.trusselltrust.org 01722 580 180

Will sign post you to your nearest foodbanks.

Gov UK Cost of living support

www.gov.uk/cost-of-living

Provides advice and information about types of support you may be able to receive.