

All Saints' C. of E. Primary School

Rooted in Faith, Growing Through Learning

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Dear Parents and Carers

Following my email earlier in the week, I would like, once again, to welcome you back to school, or indeed welcome you to All Saints' if you are new to our school community. We are very much looking forward to having our Nursery and Reception children with us next week.

The children have settled back into school life very quickly and as I said before school is a happy and calm place. I was especially proud of how they responded this morning to our special collective worship following the death of HM the Queen.

This letter accompanies the first newsletter of the year; for those of you new to the school, our newsletter is published weekly on a Friday. It is our prime means of communication with you and will contain any new calendar dates, important information but most importantly reports and articles from the children describing the many enrichment activities and learning they do each week. Please do read it – a lot of work goes into its production. This first edition, however, consists mostly of important information, reminders and dates – please do take note of all of that.

FOASS – URGENT

I have one URGENT issue to raise here; as most of you know FOASS (our PTA, Friends of All Saints' School) supports the school, both financially but also in organising events which bring us together as a school community.

In a time of reduced budgets and financial pressures, which we are all facing, the financial support from FOASS is vital for us enhance the children's learning experiences at school – see the information from FOASS overleaf. These much needed funds are raised by a range of events across the year. But of course these events don't just happen by magic; a lot of hard work goes into organising them. And as we know, many hands make light work!

We know that you all have very busy lives but we are currently in desperate need of support for FOASS. As you will read overleaf, there is currently only one member of the committee and that one member, no matter how fabulous she is (and she is) cannot organise the usual range of events and fundraisers. The direct impact of this is stated in the FOASS message overleaf.

Please do consider offering your help – even for a few hours here and there. It will be hugely appreciated by FOASS, the staff and the pupils.

With best wishes

Claire Wood



URGENT – FOASS NEEDS YOU!

FOASS (the Friends Of All Saints School) are a group of parents who fundraise for school.

Without FOASS your child would not have new smart screens in their classroom; swimming lessons; computer equipment; Purple Mash and online resources; Times Table Rockstars; or lots of educational workshops - such as the amazing Science series from last year. They would also miss out on Christmas and Summer fairs; Family discos and lots of other fun, special events throughout the year.

Sadly we have found ourselves in the unprecedented situation of only having 1 current member! We are in desperate need of volunteers otherwise no fundraising will happen this year and it will have a direct impact on the things that can be provided for your children.

*Please consider joining us. **Could you be the next Chair or Treasurer, or just help planning on the committee?** It's a great way to have some influence over funding for your child's educational enrichment and it's always a great way to get to know other parents within the school community. Yes there's some commitment, but not an unrealistic amount - usually an evening zoom or in person meeting every 3 weeks or so (usually accompanied by wine and some entertaining chat) and there are a few main events each year which are always really fun to do.*

Please email foasspta@gmail.com if you can help.

Thank you!

