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# ALL SAINTS' CE PRIMARY SCHOOL SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday has come around already! The week ends with glorious sunshine after many days of horrible winter weather. Let's hope it is a sign that spring is around the corner.

All Saints' love of reading was on show this week with the return of the Book Fair after several years. Thank you for buying books this week as not only will it promote the importance of reading, but our school will now receive vouchers to spend on library books.

Continuing with the reading theme, we are seeking volunteers to read with the children once a week. Please get in touch with your class rep if you could spare an hour to do this.

By now, I am sure you have read my letter to inform you that, sadly, Mrs Stone is leaving All Saints at the end of the half term. We will all miss her greatly, but we wish her all the best for the future. We have, however, welcomed Sam Argus as the temporary admin officer, who has been a great asset already!

As we hurtle towards the end of the half term, there are a few key dates to remember, including Number Day, KS2 Eucharist, Safer Internet Day, and Mental Health Week, so please check further down in the newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Ghosh

Worship Theme for Next Week:

Compassion for all God's creatures: Proverbs 12:10a

## STARS OF THE WEEK!

**Reception:** Harry & Georgia

**Year 1:** Henry & Zaria

**Year 2:** Monty & Bertie

**Year 3:** Harry & Mary

**Year 4:** William & Kamran

**Good Conduct will be awarded on Monday when the whole school is back together**

## 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.

**Monday 29th January**  
PPSSA Y5/Y6 Swimming Gala

**Tuesday 30th January**  
Meet Miss Collins (Y2 parents only) at 9.15am

**Thursday 1st February**  
Meet Mr Jerzynek (Y4 parents only) at 9.15am

**Friday 2nd February**  
NSPCC Number Day  
Y2 cake sale at 3.30pm

**Monday 5th February—Friday 9th February**  
Mental Health Week

**Tuesday 6th February**  
Safer Internet Day  
KS2 Eucharist in church at 10.00am

**Thursday 8th February**  
Y5 trip to Science Museum

**Friday 9th February**  
Break up for half term at 3.30pm

### ATTENDANCE

The attendance figure for  
w/c 15th January  
96.44%

**Congratulations to Y3  
with 99.26% attendance**

The attendance figure for  
w/c 22nd January  
94.72%

**Congratulations to  
Reception with 98.26%  
attendance**

**Our target is 97.0%**

## HOMEWORK

In line with our new homework policy, we would like to remind parent and carers that homework is set by the class teacher on Wednesday and should be handed in on the following Tuesday. Homework club is on a Monday for any of those who feel like they won't be able to meet the homework deadline or need additional support.

Weekly home learning expectations

Year Group	Weekly expectation
Nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Encourage practice of phonics focus of the week eg. Links to a song with rhyme, alliteration, encourage body percussion etc.</li><li>• Reading for pleasure book</li><li>• Maths activity at home eg. Link to a counting song, make a number with your body and take a picture</li></ul>
Reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Read a Little Wandle reading book</li><li>• Bring a reading for pleasure book home</li><li>• Maths activity at home eg. Spot the number 5 on the way to school, make a number with your body and take a picture</li></ul>
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Encourage practice of phonics sound of the week</li><li>• Read a Little Wandle reading book</li><li>• Bring a reading for pleasure book home</li><li>• Learn 5 spellings</li><li>• Maths activity at home.</li></ul>
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Read a Little Wandle reading book</li><li>• Bring a reading for pleasure book home</li><li>• learn 10 spellings in preparation for quiz</li><li>• Maths activities online (Purple Mash).</li></ul>
Key Stage 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Encouraged to read for 10-15 minutes every day</li><li>• Complete reading comprehension</li><li>• Learn 10 spellings for quiz</li><li>• Maths activities online (20-30 minutes worth).</li></ul>

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any further queries, please contact [admin@allsaints.wandsworth.sch.uk](mailto:admin@allsaints.wandsworth.sch.uk)

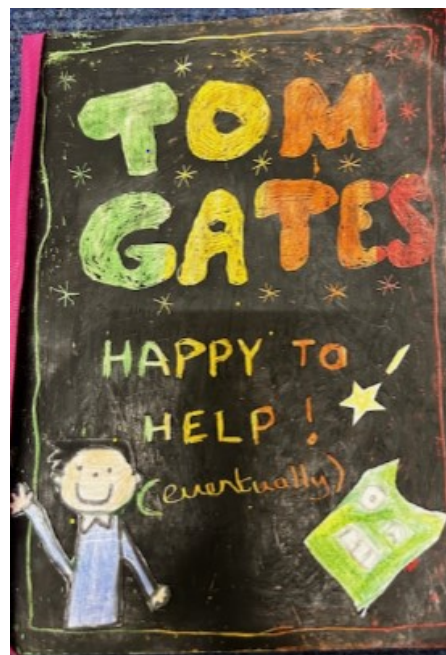
## READING IN EYFS & KS1

So that the children in Early Years and KS1 have access to a broad range of texts matched to their phonics learning, we will be moving to an online platform for the home reading text. No longer will your child be sent home with a phonics book in their bags. Instead, children will bring home a reading for pleasure book **and** will be able to access their phonics book online, using their unique login details. Each child will still be assigned a different book on a weekly basis. We will be holding a coffee morning on to share how the platform works On Tuesday, 9th February at 9am.

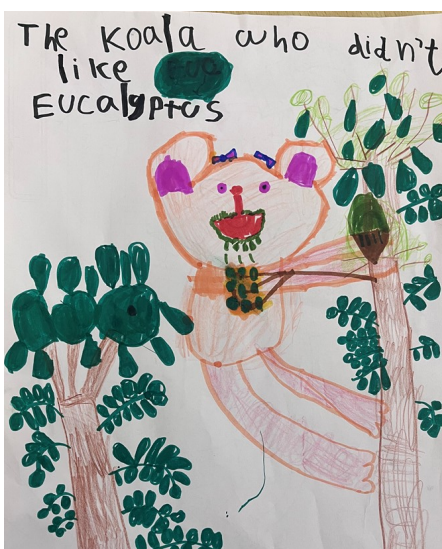
## DESIGN A BOOK COVER COMPETITION

There were loads of fantastic entries to the 'Design a Book Cover' competition. All the staff voted for their favourites and it was a very difficult job! Children had been very creative and used a range of mediums to create their entries. Some even created little books. Below are pictures of the winners and some other excellent entries.

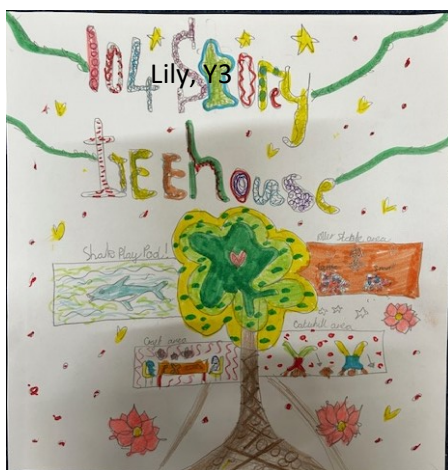
Winner: Anais, Y5



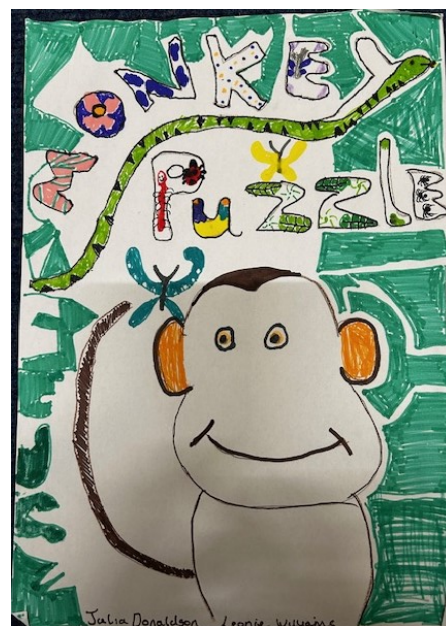
Runner Up: Zari, Y1



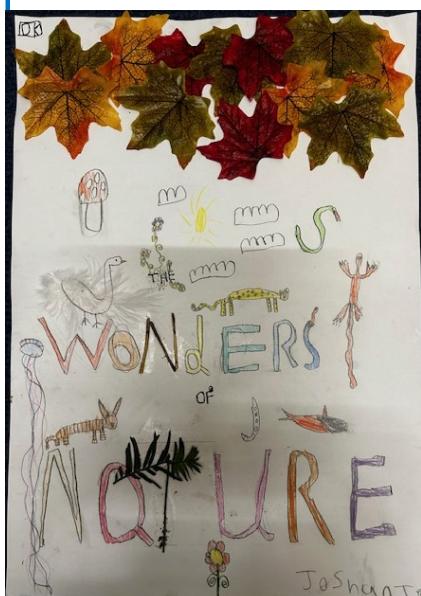
Lily, Y3



Lily, Y3



Runner Up: Sophia, Y2



Joshua Y2

## CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Children's Mental Health Week will take place from 5-11 February 2024. The theme this year is 'My Voice Matters'



My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. As parents and carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health. This year, the objective is to empower children of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to work together to create a positive change for their mental health and wellbeing. The aim for Children's Mental Health Week is for all children and young people to be able to say – and believe - "My Voice Matters."

For resources to help your child at home, please click [here](#)

## WELCOME NEW STAFF

Hi! My name is Sam and I am going to be helping out in the school front office. I moved to London from Melbourne, Australia in October and have been working in schools across London. I love to travel, exercise and try food from different places. Everyone has been very kind and welcoming since I started and I look forward to working with the staff, parents and students at All Saints'!



## REMINDERS

A gentle reminder to log onto Schoolcomms and settle any outstanding payments. Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you have any difficulty with this.

## WORK IN Y3

In our Science lesson this week, we were learning about how light is reflected using torches and mirrors with our partners. First, we learnt that light is reflected from smooth surfaces in a straight line and that we do not get clear reflections when the surface is rough because the light rays scatter in different directions. We then went on to creating mirror images with our partners. We had a great Science lesson!



## YR 5 & 6 TRIP TO BRITISH MUSEUM

Year 5 and 6 had the exciting opportunity to go to the British Museum on Friday as part of their History studies on the Benin Empire. Students sketched their own mask based on the masks displayed in the African Gallery and investigated the various parts of the Benin culture that have been preserved in priceless artefacts.



Welcome to the Spring Term, we do hope you had a lovely Christmas break and New Year. At All Saints', not only do we care about our students' well-being, we also care about you, the parents and carers. Please let us know how we are able to support you and your family. Here are a few organisations that you may find useful.

<p><b><u>NSPCC</u></b>  <a href="http://www.nspcc.org.uk">www.nspcc.org.uk</a>            0800 1111 (under 18)            0808 800 5000 (over 18s)</p>	<p>Provides support and information for children, young people and parents/carers.</p> <p>Activities for children/families in the Keeping Children Safe area.</p>
<p><b><u>Cruse Bereavement Care</u></b>  <a href="http://www.cruse.org.uk">www.cruse.org.uk</a>            0808 808 1677</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p><b><u>Hope Again: Young people living after loss</u></b> (<i>Cruse for young people</i>)  <a href="http://www.hopeagain.org.uk">www.hopeagain.org.uk</a></p>	<p>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.</p>
<p><b><u>Mental Health UK</u></b>  <a href="http://www.mentalhealth-uk.org">www.mentalhealth-uk.org</a></p>	<p>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.</p>
<p><b><u>Rethink</u></b>  <a href="http://www.rethink.org">www.rethink.org</a>            0808 801 0525</p>	<p>Will provide information and advice for those diagnosed with a mental illness or for carers of individuals with a mental illness.</p>
<p><b><u>Mind</u></b>  <a href="http://Mind.org.uk">Mind.org.uk</a>            0300 123 3393</p>	<p>Will provide non-urgent information and mental health support and services.</p>

