

# NEWSLETTER 2 25.09.19

## **Dear Parents & Carers**

We have now completed three weeks of school and pupils have made a very positive start indeed; they have settled back into their routines and daily structures and are becoming more familiar with their teachers and peers. There has been lots of enthusiasm for our 'Let's Celebrate' topic and it has been really pleasing to see the children enjoying their work.

## **Aldi's Kit for Schools**

We are collecting Aldi stickers for a chance to win £20,000 to spend on sporting equipment for school. Each time you spend £30 in Aldi, collect a sticker and bring it into school. You can give the stickers to your child to post in the 'Aldi's Kit for Schools' box which will be in the school entrance near the office. Please make sure all stickers are in school by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you for your support.

## **Flu Immunisation**

This year the flu immunisation programme has changed and is only available in school – **you must have previously registered with the NHS through their website.** Letters were sent out last week at All Saints and if you need help the link is: <https://tinyurl.com/y696883h>. Letters for St. Andrew's will be sent home on 30<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Use of Playing Fields at Break Times**

As the weather changes now, children can use the school field, but only if they have wellington boots in school. Please supply a named pair if your child wishes to go on the playing fields. Thank you.

## **Parent Readers**

We always welcome parent helpers to listen to children read and would love you to come in for an hour or so whenever you can, or on a permanent basis. The older children at St. Andrew's would love to read to a grown up! Please contact the office or a class teacher if you have any spare time available. Thank you.

## **All Saints Outdoor Area**

Thank you to all parents who have contributed various items to the EYFS/KS1 area. We are currently waiting for installation of the canopy to help improve it further. Thank you to the HSA for their donation of £1,000 for the outdoor area – Mrs Pharoah has ordered lots of interesting things for the children to develop their learning further.

### **No Pears at St. Andrew's**

Please can I remind you that St. Andrew's is a pear free school due to a member of staff having a severe allergy. Please remember this includes things such as fruit pots with pears in as well as products like fruit winders, which also have a main ingredient of pears. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

### **Absences**

If your child is absent, please would you phone the office to notify us of the absence or speak to a member of staff. Please do not send messages with siblings. Thank you.

### **Free School Meals On-Line**

From 16<sup>th</sup> September, Norfolk County Council are launching an on-line free school meals application service. Parents can create an account at the following address and using your details, carry out a check on your entitlement. This information will then be submitted to Norfolk County Council for processing. The address is:  
[www.norfolk.gov.uk/neo](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/neo)

### **Breakfast Club at All Saints**

A reminder that our breakfast club has now started at All Saints, running from 7.45am each morning. Please speak to Mrs S. in the office for more details or to make a booking.

**Attendance** – This term's attendance by class is:

#### All Saints

Honeybees: 99.43%                      Pandas: 95.57%      Dolphins: 96.96%

#### Hapton

Robins: 98.90%                      Owls: 93.75%

#### St. Andrew's

Discovery: 92.1%                      Victory: 95.38%      Endeavour: 98.35%

### **Diss Rugby Club**

To promote rugby within the local community and to celebrate the World Cup being played in Japan, Diss Rugby Football Club are inviting children to play in a mixed tag tournament. This will take place on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 11.30am and is open to all children in years 4,5 & 6. If you are interested in this event, please collect a reply slip from the school office.

### **Term Dates for this Year 2019/20**

Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019:	Last day of half term
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> – Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019:	Half term
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019:	Children back to school
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019:	Last day of term
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019 – Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan 2020:	Christmas holiday
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2020:	Children back to school
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2020:	Last day of term
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb 2020:	Half term
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Children back to school
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> April:	Last day of term
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> April – Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> April:	Easter holiday
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> April:	Children back to school
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May:	Last day of half term
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> May:	Half term
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June:	Children back to school
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup> July:	Last day of summer term

### **Gissing Children's Centre**

The October playscheme is running on:

- Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> October
- Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> October

and in December on:

- Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> December
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> December

From 9am – 3.30pm.

This is open for primary aged children from 4 – 11 years. To book or for further details please contact:

[playscheme@gissingchildrenscentre.co.uk](mailto:playscheme@gissingchildrenscentre.co.uk)

### **Pet Service**

Reverend Lydia has arranged a special Pets Service at St. Peter's Church in Fornsett on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am.

### **Harvest Festivals**

This year the services are as follows:

**All Saints:** 2pm Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at St. Mary's Church, Winfarthing

**Hapton:** 2.15pm Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at St. Margaret's Church, Hapton

**St. Andrew's:** 2.15pm Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at St. Nicholas' Church, North Lopham

## Parent Teacher Associations

### HSA – All Saints

- Thur 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 3.15-5pm Disco
- Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.15am Next Meeting at Cock Inn, Diss
- Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Nov Donations for Hampers
- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2.30-5pm Christmas Fete (no Celebration Worship)

### FOSTA - St. Andrew's

Breakfast Club will be held on:

- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

## Collective Worship

This half term we are looking at the value 'Thankfulness'. Children will be sharing stories from the bible as well as other stories, both fiction and non-fiction, that enable us to think about what being 'thankful' means.

## Parent Consultations

The dates for parent consultation appointments have been set as follows:

**All Saints:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 3.30 – 6pm & Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 3.30 – 6pm

**Hapton:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 3.30 – 6pm

**St. Andrew's:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 3.30 – 5.50pm & Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 3.30 – 5.50pm

## Christmas Plays

This year the plays will take place on the following days:

**All Saints:** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm & 6pm

**Hapton:** Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm & 6pm

**St. Andrew's:** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December & Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm & 6pm

## **DIARY DATES**

Sun 29 Sept	NO SERVICE at St. Nicholas, N. Lopham
Tue 8 Oct	2.15pm Harvest Festival at St. Nicholas, North Lopham
Wed 9 Oct	pm School Portraits by Tempest
Thur 10 Oct	Endeavour to Norwich Cathedral
Thur 10 Oct	1.30-3pm Open Afternoon for New Reception 2020/21
Tues 15 Oct	YrR Height, Weight, Vision & Hearing – Nursing Team
Tues 15 Oct	Yr6 Height & Weight – Nursing Team
Wed 16 Oct	The Lion King, London
Thur 17 Oct	1.30-3pm Open Afternoon for New Reception 2020/21
Mon 21 – Fri 25 Oct	Half Term
Mon 11 Nov	3.30-5.50pm Parent/Teacher Consultations
Wed 13 Nov	3.30-5.50pm Parent/Teacher Consultations
Fri 15 Nov	'Children in Need'
Tue 19 Nov	Discovery to Norwich Playhouse: 'The Scarecrow's Wedding'
Tue 19 Nov	Yr4 On Playground Cycling
Tue 26 Nov	Yr4 On Playground Cycling
Fri 6 Dec	Flu Immunisation

## **AWARDS**

<i>Citizen:</i>	Ella, Kathryn, Lily S, Anaya, Theo & Abi
<i>Star:</i>	Iris, Wilfie, Millie, Alfie, Lily J & Polly
<i>Star Reader:</i>	Riley, Thomas, Saffron, Liam, Wilfie & Fletcher
<i>Weekly Attendance 09.09.19:</i>	Victory & Endeavour
<i>Weekly Attendance 16.09.19:</i>	Endeavour
<i>Blissful Balancing:</i>	Isaac, Ella & Ted
<i>Jolly Jumping:</i>	Tilly, Aubrey & Cleme
<i>Whizzy Walking &amp; Rapid Running:</i>	Ruby, Samuel & Olly

## **NEXT NEWSLETTER**

The next newsletter will be on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2019. If you have an item for the newsletter, please leave it with your school office or email Mrs McGarr: [head@allsaints-diss.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:head@allsaints-diss.norfolk.sch.uk) by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.