

NEWSLETTER 6 27.11.19

Dear Parents & Carers

Another week has flown by and children are now beginning to learn their roles and music for the Christmas plays. It was lovely to see all the children engaged in 'No Pens Day', where children took part in various activities and had opportunities to develop their language and communication skills in a different format.

As you will see from the 'Diary Dates' section, the run up to Christmas is a busy time in school and we have lots of events happening, many of which parents are invited to, so please make sure you put them in your diary so you don't miss out!

Menu Changes All Saints & St. Andrew's

- On Tuesday 17th December the menu will be: Pasta Bolognese or Vegetarian Bolognese
- On Wednesday 18th December the menu will be: Ham, Chips & Beans or Quorn Sausage

If you have booked meals for these days and need to change your order, please contact the school office.

Honeybee Class Outdoor Area – Opening Ceremony

Thank you again to everyone who donated to the outdoor area for the Honeybee Class – the opening was a lovely event and it's nice to see it completed and ready to be used.

Christmas Plays

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

All Saints: Wednesday 11th December at 2pm & 6pm

Hapton: Monday 9th December at 2pm & 6pm

St. Andrew's: Tuesday 10th December & Wednesday 11th December at 2pm & 6pm

Dress Rehearsal Dates

All Saints: Tuesday 10 Dec at 2pm

Hapton: Friday 6 Dec at 9.30am

St. Andrew's: Monday 9 Dec at 2pm

Hot Dinners at Hapton – Thursday 12th December

Due to voting for the General Election taking place in the hall, there will be no hot dinners available at Hapton but school packed lunches are available – these must be ordered on Wednesday 11th December.

Family Crib Making Session

On Saturday 30th November, there will be a family crib making session at St. Nicholas Church, North Lopham from 2pm – 4pm where families will be able to make their own crib scene.

Term Dates for this Year 2019/20

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

Gissing Children's Centre Holiday Playscheme

Gissing Children's Centre are holding a Playscheme on Thursday 19th December and Friday 20th December for years 4 – 11. 9am – 1pm is £13.50 and 9am – 3.30pm is £16.50 with sibling discount available. Activities include: Outdoor Adventures, Exploring the Woods, Sports, Crafts, Cooking, Construction. To book a place, please email: playscheme@gissingchildrenscentre.co.uk.

'Children in Need'

Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to our 'Children in Need' activities. These are the amounts raised:

All Saints: £167.10 Hapton: £96.64 St. Andrew's: £130.00 – Well done!

It's so nice to see everyone across the federation taking part in activities – as well as being great fundraising, it was also great fun!

Attendance – This term's attendance by class is:

All Saints

Honeybees: 98.3% Pandas: 95.04% Dolphins: 97.04%

Hapton

Robins: 93.38% Owls: 92.77%

St. Andrew's

Discovery: 96.09% Victory: 97.64% Endeavour: 96.83%

Consultation on Admission Arrangements

Norfolk County Council is consulting on proposed admission arrangements for schools for 2021/22. The consultation closes on 2 December, 2019 and the link if you wish to contribute is:

<http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/NorfolkAdmissionsConsultation2021-22/>

Collective Worship

This half term we are looking at the value 'Trust'. 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 trustworthy means.

Parent Teacher Associations

HSA – All Saints

- Fri 29 Nov Pyjama Day: Donations for Hampers
- Fri 6 Dec 2.30-5pm Christmas Fete (no Celebration Worship)

Friends of Hapton

- Fri 29 Nov Non Uniform Day: Donations for Raffle & Tombola
- Fri 6 Dec **Change of time:** 5pm – 7pm Christmas Fete

FOSTA – St. Andrew's

- Fri 29 Nov Non Uniform Day: Donations for Hampers
- Sat 7 Dec 11am – 2pm Christmas Fete in the Village Hall

Breakfast club will be held on:

- **Friday 13 Dec** (this is a change of date instead of Tue 3 Dec) Bacon rolls will be served

Head Lice

We have had further reports of head lice!
Please check your child's hair carefully and treat if eggs or lice are found. Even after treatment, regular combing and checking is needed to prevent the return of lice and eggs. Please take all precautions. See further information on NHS link below:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Christmas Jumper Day

We will be taking part in the Christmas Jumper Day for 'Save the Children' on Friday 13th December. Please don't feel the need to purchase a jumper specifically for this event. Non-uniform is welcome too!

Messy Church at St. Mary's, Fornsett St. Mary

- 7th December: Messy Church at the Movies, 'U' film at 2pm
- 14th December: Decorate the church Christmas trees

Messy church is free, but any donations will go towards the cost of materials and refreshments. Everyone is very welcome and children need to bring an adult. Don't forget to dress for mess! If you are planning on attending, please let them know by ringing 01953 788227 or email: ldavery@btinternet.com

Flu Immunisation

The Norfolk School Age Immunisation Service has requested that parents who have consented to the nasal flu vaccination, contact their office if their child has asthma AND has been in intensive care due to their asthma. The number is: 0300 555 5055

DIARY DATES

Fri 29 Nov	Non Uniform Day: Donations for Raffle & Tombola
Fri 6 Dec	9.30am Dress Rehearsal Christmas Play
Fri 6 Dec	5pm – 7pm (<i>Time Change</i>) Christmas Fete
Mon 9 Dec	2pm & 6pm Christmas Play – ‘Hey Ewe!’
Wed 11 Dec	Flu Immunisation – Whole School (NO Swimming)
Wed 11 Dec	Christmas Lunch by NORSE
Thur 12 Dec	Dining Hall/Polling Station – ONLY PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE – <i>which must be ordered Weds 11th</i>
Fri 13 Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Wed 18 Dec	2pm Christmas End of Term Service at St. Margaret’s, Hapton
Wed 18 Dec	Last Day of Term
Mon 6 Jan	Back to School
Wed 15 Jan	Whole Federation: ‘Cinderella’ at The Theatre Royal, Norwich

AWARDS

<i>Headteacher Award – Robins:</i>	Finlay, Blu, Annabella & Fearne
<i>Headteacher Award – Owls:</i>	Gary, Nicole, Sophie & Jessie
<i>Star Reader:</i>	Joebi, Sophie, Paige, Rachael & Esmail
<i>Weekly Attendance w/c 11.11.19:</i>	Robins
<i>Weekly Attendance w/c 18.11.19:</i>	Robins
<i>Blissful Balancing:</i>	Sophie & Oliver
<i>Jolly Jumping:</i>	Ava & Sophie
<i>Whizzy Walking & Rapid Running:</i>	Rachael

NEXT NEWSLETTER

The next newsletter will be on Wednesday 11th December, 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 by Friday 6th December, 2019.