

NEWSLETTER 19 14.07.21

ACHIEVING TOGETHER

Dear Parents & Carers

As we come to the end of another school year, I continue to be amazed at the positivity in all our schools and how hard everyone has worked this year, despite some challenging times, to make sure learning for all our children continues to be at the forefront of all we do. It has been a privilege to teach, work with, support and learn from an amazing school community.

I would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff I have had the pleasure of working alongside over the past seven years in the federation: the admin teams, teaching teams, support teams, catering & cleaning teams – they have all done their bit to make The Saints Federation the place it is today. I wish you all well for the future and hope you have a wonderful summer break; we break up on Wednesday 21st July and return to school on Monday 6th September.

Water Bottles

Please remember to supply your child with a named water bottle every day. Thank you.

Restrictions from 19th July

As you are no doubt aware, the plan is for all restrictions to be lifted from Monday 19th July. As there are only 3 days until the end of term, all the bubbles will remain in school until we break up on 21st July. This will hopefully continue to keep all children and staff as safe as possible to avoid people having to isolate at the start of the summer holidays.

Extra Bank Holiday

In light of the extra bank holiday for the Queen's birthday taking place in May half term next year, schools are required to take an extra day and this has been decided as Friday 22nd October, so the last day of the first half term is Thursday 21st October. Any Norfolk County Council model calendars available online will not show this as schools may be choosing other days.

Dippy the Dinosaur Visit

Dippy, the Natural History Museum's iconic Diplodocus cast, will be taking up residence in Norwich Cathedral's Nave on 13th July and the Dippy on Tour exhibition will run from Tuesday 13th July, 2021 until Saturday 30th October, 2021. Admission to see this at the cathedral is free! More information can be found at <https://dippy.cathedral.org.uk/>

Warmer Weather

Can I please remind parents & carers, now the warmer weather has arrived, children should be encouraged to wear sun hats when outside. Please ensure your child has sun cream applied before the school day, which they can top up during the day if required. Any sun cream coming into school must have the child's name on it. Children will not be allowed to share sun cream with their peers due to allergies.

Purple Picnic for Nelson's Journey

We celebrated Purple Picnic Day with a picnic in classrooms, where the children had a lovely time picnicking in their bubbles.

Leavers' Services

This year, we will be holding our leavers' services outside on school grounds, but are only inviting the parents of Year 6 children.

Covid Symptoms

As a reminder, the current symptoms of Covid 19 are as follows:

- **A high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **A new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Children who attend school displaying any of these symptoms will be sent home and must either get a PCR test (not a Lateral Flow Test) or isolate for 10 days.

Children Achieving

Well done to Ben at All Saints who has done so well in the swimming Level X competition for Diss Otters, that he has qualified for the Swim England East Region future champions meet at the end of July.

PTA's

A really big thank you to the HSA, FOSTA and the Friends for donating money to pay for the Year 6 leavers' present this year – your generosity is much appreciated.

Menu Change – Wednesday 21st July – All Saints & St. Andrew's

- Option 1: Sausage, Chips & Beans
- Option 2: Veggie Sausage, Chips & Beans
- Dessert: Toffee Cream Shortbread (as menu)

The jacket potato and school packed lunch options remain the same as the menu.

Term Dates

2020/21

Wed 21 Jul: Last day of summer term

2021/22

Autumn Term 2021

Mon 6 Sept: Children back to school
Thur 21 Oct: Last Day of Half Term
Fri 22 Oct: No school – in lieu of 2/6/22
Mon 25 – Fri 29 Oct: Half term
Mon 1 Nov: Children back to school
Fri 17 Dec: Last day of term
Mon 20 Dec – Tue 4 Jan: Christmas holidays

Spring Term 2022

Wed 5 Jan: Children back to school
Fri 11 Feb: Last day of half term
Mon 14 – Fri 18 Feb: Half term
Mon 21 Feb: Children back to school
Fri 1 Apr: Last day of term
Mon 4 – Tue 19 Apr: Easter holidays

Summer Term 2022

Wed 20 Apr: Children back to school
Mon 2 May: Bank Holiday – No school
Fri 27 May: Last day of half term
Mon 30 May – Fri 3 Jun: Half term
Mon 6 Jun: Children back to school
Fri 22 Jul: Last day of summer term

School Trends – Uniform Ordering

In order to receive uniform in time for the new term, please make sure you place your order with School Trends before 19th July by visiting: www.schooltrends.co.uk where you will need to enter your school name and postcode.

St. Andrew's Preschool

Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets and joined the preschool on their fundraising walk on 4th July. They have raised £600 and can now finally purchase a climbing frame and some new outdoor resources.

September, 2021

The preschool have a few spaces for a September start. Please visit them if you have a little one who is ready to start preschool. They welcome 2 – 4 years. Please contact manager.preschoolstandrews@gmail.com

AWARDS

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| <i>Honeybees – Good Work:</i> | Amelia |
| <i>Honeybees – Good Citizen:</i> | Tobias |
| <i>Honeybees – Heads' Shining Star:</i> | Rio |
| <i>Pandas – Good Work:</i> | Harley Do & Nommie |
| <i>Pandas – Good Citizen:</i> | Grace & Harley Dr |
| <i>Pandas – Heads' Shining Star:</i> | Byron |
| <i>Dolphins – Good Work:</i> | Evie & Thomas |
| <i>Dolphins – Good Citizen:</i> | Noah & Kelcy |
| <i>Dolphins – Heads' Shining Star:</i> | Isla & Rory |