



The Saints Federation

Fortnightly Newsletter

29th April 2022

From the Headteacher

I must first thank everyone for such a warm welcome to The Saints Federation. It has been so wonderful to meet all of the children and spend time in each of the schools. They are all so very different, with their own feel and personality, yet united through their shared vision within the Federation. I am hoping to be able to spend more time on the gate at the beginning and end of the day, so do look out for me – I look forward to saying 'hello'!

This week I have met with the Senior Teachers from each school to find out more about what is going well in each school and across the Federation, as well as starting to think about what we need to plan to do to make the learning experience for our children even better. I've also been asking children about their schools and have particularly enjoyed hearing from them about what they've been learning.

I look forward to learning more about the schools and their communities over the coming weeks.

With best wishes for a lovely (long and hopefully sunny) Bank Holiday weekend,

Rhiannon Price

Quote of the Week

"If you want to fly, you have to give up what weighs you down."
Roy T. Bennett

Save the Date!

For an outline of the key dates for the year, please see below.

All Saints

Sun 1 May	9.30am Village Church, St. Mary's, Winfarthing
W/C Mon 9 May	KS2 SATs
May	KS1 SATs
Thur 19 May	Space Explorers Lunch by NORSE
Wed 25 May	Panda & Victory Classes to Pensthorpe

Hapton

W/C Mon 9 May	KS2 SATs
Thur 19 May	Space Explorers Lunch by NORSE
May 22	KS1 SATs

St. Andrew's

W/C Mon 9 May	KS2 SATs
May 22	KS1 SATs
Sun 15 May	11am Family Service, St. Nicholas, North Lopham
Thur 19 May	Space Explorers Lunch by NORSE
Sun 22 May	11am Family Service, St. Nicholas, North Lopham
Wed 25 May	Victory & Panda Classes to Pensthorpe

Term Dates

Summer Term 2022

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 term

Attendance Matters!

Attendance remains very important for our young people, particularly in light of the current and recent circumstances. In this section, we celebrate the commitment of our pupils and families in ensuring children are in school and learning!

School	%
Hapton	89.53%
All Saints	96.74
St Andrew's	90.09%
Whole Federation current year's percentage to date	92.12%

The Government have maintained their rules on attendance with pupil attendance being mandatory. As such the usual rules on attendance are in force and include:

- parents' duty to ensure that their child of compulsory school age attends regularly at the school where the child is a registered pupil
- schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence
- the ability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices, in line with local authorities' codes of conduct.

We know that it is tricky to make decisions about whether your child is well enough to attend school, especially after they have missed so much over the last two years.

Just One Norfolk is a really useful website run by Norfolk NHS. There is a lot of information in one place about what to do if your child becomes ill or you are unsure where to get help during the current pandemic. There is also a section on COVID-19 FAQs, as well as information on how to get support for a variety of situations affecting the health of your family.

Their website address is below and worth browsing if you have any health related questions or feel unsure about the best course of action within the current situation. <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>

Getting in Touch

We appreciate that there may be times when you have a concern about your child in school. This may be about their learning or about relationships with other children. Their class teacher will be happy to talk to you about any worries and should be your first point of contact. No worry is too small for us to take notice!

There are a number of ways to get in touch with the school.

In the first instance, always contact your child's class teacher as they are always best placed to answer any queries you have or signpost you to the right person. You can do this by email to their class email address; alternatively, you can telephone the school office to leave a message for them. They are often to be found on the gate at the beginning/end of the day, so you may be able to catch them then.

For office or systems queries, please do contact the school office, either by telephone or email.

If your query is more serious, please contact the Senior Teacher in your child's school. The Senior Teacher in each school is also the Designated Safeguarding Lead, so if you have any concerns about a child's safety, please approach them.

Most queries and concerns are addressed through one of these methods, but sometimes you may feel that you need to pass this on to the headteacher. In this instance, please make contact through the school office of your child's school. If the matter is confidential, please let the office know that you are making contact about a confidential matter so they can make sure your query or concern is quickly directed to the right person.

Access to Sports Champion Grants

The Sports Champion Grant supports Broadland and South Norfolk athletes who are performing at a high standard. Training and competing at this level takes time, money and commitment. The grant recognises this and offers help towards some of these costs.

Aspiring sports stars from Broadland and South Norfolk who represent their sport at regional level or above can now apply for a Sports Champion Grant to support them with outgoing costs for things such as coaching costs, training, physiotherapy, equipment or competing.

The grants of up to £300 are given on a one-off basis. To be eligible, applicants must live in Broadland or South Norfolk and be competing in a discipline recognised by Sport England.

For more information or the application form please visit <https://www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/leisure-fitness/community-funding-1>

Awards

All Saints

Honeybees – Good Work:	Rupert
Honeybees – Good Citizen:	Alex
Honeybees – Head’s Shining Star:	Mia
Pandas – Good Work:	Amelia
Pandas – Good Citizen:	Rio
Pandas – Head’s Shining Star:	Henry
Dolphins – Good Work:	Grace
Dolphins – Good Citizen:	Jessica
Dolphins – Head’s Shining Star:	Alfie

St. Andrew’s

Discovery – Good Work:	Autumn
Discovery – Good Citizen:	Jordan
Victory – Good Work:	Theo & Bethany
Victory – Good Citizen:	Bethany & Wilfy
Endeavour – Good Work:	Polly & Alayha
Endeavour – Good Citizen:	Oscar & Sienna
Endeavour – Head’s Shining Star:	Miss Norton & Endeavour Class