



The Saints Federation

Fortnightly Newsletter

21st July 2022

Federation Round up from the Headteacher

At Hapton, Robins have been learning about plants and flowers and particularly liked exploring the art of Georgia O'Keefe. In English they have enjoyed reading How to Grow a Dragon, which has included the development of several areas of writing. Meanwhile, Owls have been finalising their own version of The Highwayman, producing and illustrating their own booklets. They have been exploring what past punishments were meant to achieve and how attitudes to The Suffragettes have changed over time. Both classes have also been preparing to say goodbye to our year 6 children as they approach the next chapter in their life journey. We have celebrated their achievements with experience days and a range of portraits and poems.

In Honeybees at All Saints this year, Honeybees have had an exciting year learning about castles, hatching dragon eggs and learning through continuous provision. In Pandas, the class have been learning all about Rome, Ancient China and looking into Volcanoes and how they work, and even watching their own class ducklings grow. Dolphins have been learning about Ancient Benin, narrative poems about fairy tales and have taken part in a whole federation beach trip.

We have had the most amazing year at St Andrew's – from holding a python and feeling the breeze of an owls' wings as it flew straight overhead to seeing the world rotate and wondering at the vastness of the oceans – it has been a year to remember. We've paddled together, played together, toasted marshmallows together and laughed and cried together. We've broadened our minds with philosophy and we've even had a bit of time for all that curriculum learning! We are going to miss our Year 6's enormously at St Andrew's – they are creative, fun, passionate about the environment and brilliant buddies for the younger children. We wish everyone moving on happiness in the next stage of their life journey.

We all look forward to seeing you return on 6th September 2022 and in the meantime, wish you a wonderful summer break.
Rhiannon Price

Staffing for September

Interim Executive Headteacher: Miss Rhiannon Price
School Business Manager: Mr Mark Macullum

All Saints

Honeybees: Mrs Gemma Pharoah
Pandas: Mrs Katie Snelling
Dolphins: Mrs Gillian Shaw

Hapton

Robins: Mrs Sadie Stannard
Owls: Mr Justin Doherty

St Andrew's

Discovery: Mrs Emma Pryke and Mrs Esme Sexton
Victory: Mr Gavin Martell
Endeavour: Mrs Paula Summerhayes

Our Teaching Assistants and HLTAs remain unchanged from this academic year.

Quote of the Week

Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.
Winston Churchill

Save the Date!

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

6 th September -	School Opens to Pupils for the Autumn Term
17 th October -	Parent Consultation week
21 st October -	Last day of Autumn term 1
31 st October -	School reopens for Autumn Term 2
16 th December -	Last Day of Autumn term 2

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	88.81
All Saints	92.57
St Andrew's	90.78
Whole Federation current year's percentage to date	90.72

Attendance Fact of the Fortnight!

Absenteeism in the first month of school can predict poor attendance throughout the school year. Half the students who miss 2-4 days in September go on to miss nearly a month of school.

Name: Heat Exhaustion

Heat exhaustion is not usually serious if you can cool down within 30 minutes. If it turns into heatstroke it needs to be treated as an emergency.

Signs of Heat Exhaustion:

The signs of heat exhaustion include:

- headache
- dizziness and confusion
- loss of appetite and feeling sick
- excessive sweating and pale, clammy skin
- cramps in the arms, legs and stomach
- fast breathing or pulse
- temperature of 38C or above
- being very thirsty

Things you can do to cool someone down

- Move them to a cool place.
- Get them to lie down and raise their feet slightly.
- Get them to drink plenty of water. Sports or rehydration drinks are OK.
- Cool their skin – spray or sponge them with cool water and fan them. Cold packs around the armpits or neck are good too.

Further Information: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/heat-exhaustion-heatstroke/>

Who's Who!

Your quick guide to the Federation team!

Name: Miss Mark Macullum

Role: School Business Manager

Favourite Children's Book: Coot Club – Arthur Ransome

Favourite Word: Haberdashery

Favourite Number: 6.022x10²³

Chocolate or Fruit: Chocolate

Boat or Aeroplane: Boat

Car or Walk: Walk

Cat or dog: Cat

Two Desert Island Teaching Resources: Compass and fire steel

Favourite Place in Britain: North Berwick, Scotland

Dream Holiday: Somewhere to see the Northern Lights

Favourite Place in School: The Library

Favourite Teacher from when you were at school: Dr Rodgerson

Parent School Associations

We would like to offer our thanks to everyone who has volunteered their time and expertise to our Home School Associations. This month has been very busy for them as they raised funds for those additional items that makes the school curriculum all the more relevant and interesting for our children.

Much work has gone on behind the scenes to create the end of year fairs and BBQs, with much money raised for our funds. Our thanks also go to our volunteers who dropped off much needed ice lollies for the children in the very hot weather we have experienced this week – they were so very much appreciated by everyone!