



The Saints Federation
'Shine as lights in the world.' Philippians 2:15
Fortnightly Newsletter
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All Saints

We have had a lovely start to term at All Saints, very much enjoying the warmer weather and the chance to use the field fully! We are excitedly getting ready for our own celebrations for the King's Coronation, with an action-packed week ahead and some cross-year group working alongside the chance to get involved in a 'volunteer to help out' charity fundraising event.

In 'Dolpans' (newly named by the class) we have been immersing our learning in Ancient Greece. Here, we have: learnt about the Greek Gods and some of the myths and legend; written a character description about Hades, the God of the Underworld; learnt about key events that impacted on our society today; decorated Greek vases; and plotted important cities in Greece, Greek islands and surrounding countries on a current map. In maths, we have been studying geometry, revising and learning key facts about shape and finding out fascinating facts about triangles and how to use our knowledge of them to learn more about angles. We have also been thinking about making positive and safe viewing choices in PSHE.

Honeybees have been learning through the book Jack and the Beanstalk, retelling the story, sequencing, and making WANTED posters for the giants' crimes! In maths we have started our new topic on measurement and the children have made a fantastic start using rulers, meter sticks and tape measures. We will continue with measurement looking at volume and temperature. In topic we have been learning about an American artist Aaron Douglas, a very influential woman Rosa Parks and we have been continuing our journey into maps by drawing and creating our own. We look forward to the coming week and getting ready for the King's coronation celebration by finding out about previous kings and queens, the Royal Family's family tree, designing the King a new hat and lots of other exciting activities which will be on display at our All-Saints Coronation Celebration!

St Andrew's

Discovery have very much enjoyed their current focus - the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. Year 2s have drawn story maps, written character descriptions and designed 'Wanted' posters for Jack and the Giant. Reception have drawn detailed pictures of the characters and written their own sentences. In maths, they have focused on measuring using rulers and metre sticks. They certainly had fun measuring each other! The children are also looking forward to watching their 'magic beans' grow in Science.

Victory have been enjoying the story of The Mousehole Cat, especially the idea that the cats in the story think that they 'own' their humans! The children used some fabulous language to write their setting descriptions of the storm in the story. In maths they have been using rulers and metre sticks to measure length and perimeter. Year 4 have also been calculating area. Victory have also begun to explore the big questions: What is philosophy? How can Living Things be Classified? What is the Broads?

Endeavour have been working hard preparing for their imminent SATs. They are studying Ancient Greece this term and have been writing the story of Pandora's box in English. In Humanities they have been finding out about life in Ancient Greece and designing decorations for a jug we will make in art. In RE we are learning about what Hindus believe.

Hapton

In Owls we are learning all about Ancient Greece. In English, we are exploring myths from the time, which have helped us to understand how Gods and Goddesses played a part in the order of Greek society. We have also looked at Greek amphora pots with their depiction of Hades and Persephone in the underworld. We are looking forward to making our own pots, later in the term. In RE we are thinking about Hinduism and our big question this half term is: What do Hindus believe? So far, we have enjoyed exploring reincarnation, karma, and moksha, all of which have opened up some lively discussion.

In Robins we have been reading Jack and the Beanstalk, while also thinking about the plants that grow in spring. In history we are learning all about Rosa Parks and her important work for the civil rights movement. We are also enjoying our exploration of the creation story, which is helping us to explore our own beliefs, around how the world was created and why. Owls and Robins are both looking forward to our coronation celebrations which will begin this week, with the making of some bonanza bunting.

Attendance Matters!

	Number of pupils with 100% attendance	Whole school attendance
Hapton	2	92.29
All Saints	7	95.83
St Andrew's	2	94.78
Whole Federation		94.74

Scabies

We have been recently alerted to an increase in the number of cases of scabies. Scabies affects the skin, appearing as a raised rash or spots, often red in appearance.

Scabies is easily treated, but treatment must be commenced quickly and the whole family treated at the same time, even if they show no symptoms at the time.

Children can return to school 24 hours after treatment commences.

Please do seek advice from your pharmacist as soon as possible; they'll also be able to help advise if the rash is not caused by scabies!

For more information, please follow the link to the NHS website:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/scabies/>

Save the Date - Federation

Term 5

1 st May	Bank Holiday – school closed
8 th May	Bank Holiday – school closed
9 th May – 12 th May	KS2 SATS week (no absence will be authorised)
22 nd May	Sport Days All Saints
23 rd May	Sports Day Hapton
24 th May	Sport Days St Andrew's
26 th May	Last day of T5
5 th June	Term 6 starts for pupils and staff
19 th June	Parent meeting for new EYFS parents
28 th June	New EYFS children in schools (pm)
5 th July	New EYFS children in (am)
10 th July	High Lodge Visit
12 th July	New EYFS children in 9:30am -2:30pm
21 st July	Last Day of Term 6

Provisional Dates for September 2023-24

4 th September	Term 1 Begins for Staff – Inset Day
6th September	Autumn Term begins for pupils
20 th October	Last day of Term 1
30th October	School opens to pupils and staff for Term 2
20 th December	Last Day of Term 2

All Saints

We have, again, been made aware of a continued campaign to cause unrest among parents at All Saints. This has focused on frightening parents into believing the school is at risk of imminent closure. **This is a false rumour.** At present, there is no intention to close All Saints and the IEB are working tirelessly to ensure its long term future.

Thank you to all parents who continue to support the school by not perpetuating the rumour. We encourage you to talk to Mrs Shaw if you feel in any way worried about this. Mrs Swann was very clear in her letter to parents in July that it is the parental choice of withdrawing their child that will ultimately affect the school budget and its future; however, we are funded by a federated budget where we pool all resources and this helps protect the future of our schools as a part of the village community.