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# NEWSLETTER 2017/627

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Dear Parents,

## This week's news

This week has been a perfect end to the Spring Term. Easter has made a huge focus for activities this week. The assembly in church was a fitting celebration of the good news of Easter and Years 3 and 4 brought a special serenity to their dramatization of the events of 'Holy Week'. I have been very impressed by the way they have worked hard individually and as a team before, during practices and on the final day.

Well done to you all, you created a very special moment for everybody. A huge thank you to Mrs Reddish and Mr Horsley who worked with the children musically and dramatically.

For the first time Years 1 and 2 went off to Coventry Cathedral to take part in some special Easter Workshops that allowed them to explore various parts of the cathedral and enjoy some wonderful, reflective activities.

Both of these quality experiences with considerable depth lead us forward on our 'Cross of Nails' journey.

Have a wonderful holiday, I look forward to returning on 24<sup>th</sup> April.

## Class Highlights of the Week:

**Oak Class:** This week Reception and Year 1 have been involved in lots of Easter activities: making cards, baking, completing our Easter Gardens, making an Easter tree, decorating and hunting for eggs.

In maths, we have all completed our 'hot tasks'.  
Wanted: Our new topic is 'Plants and Growing Things.' If you visit a garden centre any seeds, salad or flowers, small plants or gardening tools for our Garden Centre, would be appreciated. Bring in any stories you have about plants.

We need black pumps for PE after the holiday.

**Ash Class:** The children have enjoyed making Easter cards and learning the Easter story. They were excited to visit Coventry Cathedral on Wednesday and enjoyed the thoughtful activities which were prepared for us.

**Dudley Class:** A fun packed week! In reverse order, yesterday Dudley enjoyed improving their rounders and watching Fantastic Mr Fox. On Wednesday, our special highlight of the term, let alone the week, was the wonderful Easter production. It really was fantastic to see everyone's hard work pay off in such a heart-warming performance.

**Waller Class:** This week we have been continuing to read and evaluate poems. We have also written reports on the many fantastic activities that the children have been involved in.

Congratulations to all the Waller sportsmen and women who have represented their school so well. Year 4 have been working hard on their Easter performance, which was stunning, while Year 5 have had some additional science time. We have been

comparing the school environment with similar observations about temperature, levels of sunlight and other key factors, made in the Autumn term. In maths we have been looking at decimals and money related word problems.

**Wise Class:** In Wise Class this week, we have had a full and exciting time baking 3 different types of bread as part of our Passover theme for RE. We baked bread rolls with yeast and unleavened bread to remember the Israelites flight from Egypt with Moses. We then created bright and informative leaflets about Passover and used all of our information leaflet features. Maths wise we have been looking at the properties of circles and calculated area and circumference using Pi - a very busy and productive week.

## School Budgets 2017-2018

Many of you will have read reports in the local and national press about funding for schools this year and into the future. Whilst both of our schools, All Saints' and Burton Green, in the Green Leek Federation come out as 'winners' in the National Formula consultation we are being hit by an overall shortage of money being put into education and rising expenditure costs, many of which are outside our control.

Currently governors and the senior leadership team are seriously considering how we can reduce our expenditure and increase our income. This is not an easy task and will require a lot of prayer, and some heartache I am sure.

In the first instance I would like to encourage anybody who thinks that they might be eligible for Pupil Premium funding to make an application. Even if your child already has a free school meal in Key Stage 1, if you are eligible for the more 'traditional' free school meal you should still apply.

Details can be found on the Warwickshire County Council Website or just google Free School Meals in Warwickshire. Please contact me if you require help.

The newsletter goes out every Friday. From next term we will send out a paper copy the first week to ensure everybody has a dates list, after that all newsletters will only be sent electronically. Please check the email address you have given us and look out for the regular email.

We are considering many aspects of 'good housekeeping' including looking after resources more carefully. One of the ways I would appreciate parents help is ensuring that children do not lose their reading books, reading diaries or homework diaries. In the future when these are lost a charge will be made for replacement.

I will be working with the PTFA to consider ways in which the funds that we raise together can be used most wisely for the benefit of each child.

I can assure you that all decisions that we will need to make will be underpinned by our sincere commitment to provide the highest quality of education possible for each and every individual child in our care.

## **Sport**

### **Swimming**

On Tuesday it was the KDPSA Swimming Gala. There were schools there and had many races including front crawl, breast stroke, back stroke and the relay to finish. Everyone did amazing as a team and worked good together. It was really close but we came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the end and the winner was St Augustines, winning 3 points ahead. Everyone really enjoyed the swimming gala, and in the end everyone was really proud!

Reporter: Freya Dalrymple

### **Football**

#### **Leek Wootton V Burton Green**

Great game and a solid debut by Sam A who did some super saves! Some amazing goals by William and Anton, but we played a stronger, more experienced Burton Green side and were defeated 7-2. Match reporter: Matthew M

## **Parent Evaluations**

It is not too late to let us know your ideas!

## **Back to School**

The term dates for 2017-2018 on the Warwickshire website now shows that Friday September 1<sup>st</sup> is a training day for staff. We will also be taking Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September as a training day. The children return on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

## **Countdown to Easter**

**Friday 7th April**

**9.30 Interhouse Netball Tournament**

**1.30 - 3.15**

**LET'S SING, DANCE AND TELL A JOKE AT THE EASTER EXTRAVGANZA**

**Make your Easter hat!**

**Take part in the Easter hat/ cap / bonnet parade** and competition. Decorate your favourite head wear with an Easter theme!

**Childrens' Easter Egg Raffle- 20p a ticket,**

We would appreciate donations of Easter Eggs for the raffle.

Please send in any time during the week. Children may buy up to 2 raffle tickets during the day.

**Decorated Egg Competition** - Give a hardboiled egg an Easter make over! Prizes for all ages including pre-schoolers. 50p entrance fee

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Pre-school children are very welcome to join in with the afternoon's events.

Refreshments for adults.

**All monies raised are in aid of Air Ambulance**

**Break Up** for Easter holidays

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

Return to school

**All Saints' Extra - All Clubs end at 4.30 pm, Chill Out ends at 5.15pm.**

Mrs Garlick is available by email or via the school telephone number 01926 400498.

### **Summer Term**

Bookings are well under way for Summer term clubs. Places must be paid for before your child attends. If payment has not been received your child will not be

able to attend the club. Please see Mrs Garlick if you are unsure.

May INSET Days, May Half Term and Summer Holiday

As well as offering activities on the INSET days in May and at May half term, Premier Active will be running activity days at All Saints' the first two weeks of the summer holidays - 24<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> August and also October half term, 23-27<sup>th</sup> October.

Premier Active will be running a holiday camp on the 2 INSET Days in May half term at All Saints'. Booking forms will follow. Please see Mrs Garlick for more information.



### **Green Leek 10K 2017 October 8<sup>th</sup>**

If you would like to be involved in helping us organise this popular event, and we would welcome more volunteers, please contact Sue Patterson for further details.

### **P.T.F.A: Making a difference!**

Our next Steering Group meeting is on 27<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in 'The Hub'. We are now beginning to plan our next project.

#### **Regency Run 10K**

A huge, massive thank you to the All Saints' Marshals team, who got up early and gave up their Sunday morning to help marshal the Leamington Regency 10K and then stayed on to help with the Kids Run Free Fun Run. £250 is on its way from the Leamington Round Table to the school PTFA.

#### **Easy Fundraising**

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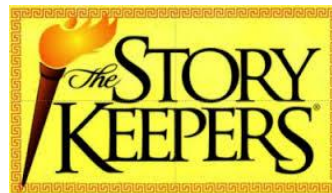
## **All Saints Together at All Saints' Parish Church**

### **SUNDAY 9 APRIL - PALM SUNDAY**

Lent - A Triumphant Experience

9.30am - Holy Communion with children's groups

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**



### **Storykeepers Holiday Bible Club 2017**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August

9:30am-12:30pm each day

at All Saints' School

More details after Easter

### **Toddlers/Stay & Play**

at Leek Wootton Village Hall

Thursdays, term-time 10-11.30 am

For 0-5's, £1.50 per family (drop in)

Mums, Dads, Grandparents and carers welcome.

Toys, craft and singing, fun outdoors in our woodland play area. Park close by and good parking.

Ring Janet 258264 for details

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### **Green Leek Cricket Match Tuesday 23rd May 5pm onwards**

.....would like to play in the children's cricket team, at 5.00pm.