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Dear Parents,

## This week's news

I hope that everybody enjoyed a longer weekend ready for the events of this half term.

We are now beginning end of Key Stage 1 assessments in Year 2 and these will continue throughout May. It is really helpful if the children's attendance is very good and that their arrival at school is prompt.

Next week is SATS week. Well done to all of our Year 6 children who have worked hard throughout the year. Top tips for next week are: go to bed early and have a good breakfast!

Well done to our cross country runners who competed in the KDPSA race this week. It was a perfect day, and setting, for a challenging course. Both the girls and boys teams ran with great determination and perseverance especially up the hill! A particular well done to Heidi who came in 2<sup>nd</sup> and James who came in 4<sup>th</sup>.

Well done to former pupils Oliver and Felix who have enjoyed a very successful competition in Sicily last week. This could be you in a few years' time if you seize opportunities to take part in events here at All Saints' and as you move onto secondary school. Read more about it below.

As part of this newsletter I am including the latest information on Leave of 'Absence During School Time' received from the local authority Attendance and Compliance Service.

## Staffing News

Following an internal appointment and interview process I am delighted to inform you that we have appointed Mrs Tracey Mafe as the new school Administrator. Tracey is well known to you at the Clerical Assistant who already manages the school dinner money systems and already knows about how the school office operates. I hope that she will be very happy in her new role.

## Class Highlights of the Week:

**Oak Class:** This week in maths, we have been learning about weight, using scales, learning the correct vocabulary and estimating. Try it out at home.

In literacy, we have continued our theme of stories about families. This week we have created our own baby characters with super powers.

We enjoyed our visit from Mr Haycocks with the biggest tractor in the world! We found out how they are used to grow crops on farms.

**Next week,** we are planning to plant out our flowering tubs in our Early Years Area if anybody has any bedding flowers to spare.

We are also planning a 'Garden Walk' around the village. If you live near the school and you are happy to have us for a short visit into your garden please see Mrs Batts.

**Wanted for next week's capacity work:** empty containers such as pop bottles, washing up liquid bottles, tubs, shampoo bottles.

**Ash Class:** We began our seaside topic by learning about Victorian seaside holidays and how the speedy arrival of the railways meant people could quickly travel to the coastal resorts for fresh sea air! We compared travel, seaside activities and clothing from 120 years ago and today.

The children were fascinated by Victorian swimming costumes and bathing machines. Do you have any old swimming costumes or other old objects you'd be willing to lend us? We also need beach towels, bucket and spades, swim wear and empty sunscreen bottles for our role play area.

**Dudley Class:** In Dudley, we've been beginning to learn about persuasive writing. I had a real giggle when marking the children's 'Cold Tasks' where they had to convince me NOT to buy their favourite toy. Their arguments were both convincing and very funny, as they tried their best to think of reasons why I could possibly not want their toy.

**Waller Class:** This week we have been continuing our study of Shakespeare's plays. Analysing, commenting on the form and structure of a play, as well as sharpening our dramatic skills! We have looked at Shakespeare's use of 'old fashioned' language investigating the meanings of words in context. In maths, we have investigated coordinates and translations of shapes, as well as investigating the properties of shapes.

We have continued to look at rivers, their importance in the development of settlements and the way in which they influence and in turn are influenced by the environment.

**Wise Class:** In Wise Class this week we have been very busy revisiting maths themes and working on our reading comprehension skills. All children have tried extremely hard to remember facts and have been excellent learning partners to one another all week.

We have also begun our sketches of our 'fantastic views of the school' - which we will use as templates for creating a cross stitch picture over the next few weeks.

I am not setting home learning for this weekend - simply do some reading, get outside and play, try to go to bed early and relax!

### **ADMISSIONS 2017**

We have vacancies for September in Years 5 and 6. Please do not hesitate to ring Mrs Patterson if you are interested in any of these.

### **ADMISSIONS 2018**

I would like to invite parents of children who are due to start school in September 2018 to visit the school on our:

#### **OPEN DAYS**

Join Mrs Patterson on a guided tour around the school in a small group, with the opportunity to ask any questions that you might have.

**20<sup>h</sup> June 2017**

9.45am

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2017**

1.30pm

Please ring 01926 400498 to reserve a place.

### **Sport**

#### **Cricket**

Specialist cricket coaching continues for Dudley Class this term. The children They will take part in the Year 4 and Year 5 Cricket festivals at Kenilworth Cricket Club during the half term. I hope that children in Years 4, 5 and 6 will also take part in the Green Leek Cricket matches on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Please return your slip.

### **World Schools Orienteering Championships Sicily 2017**

You may remember that we ran a bingo night to raise funds for our competition to represent England at the World Schools Orienteering competition.

We travelled to Sicily last week and had an amazing time, both during the competition and at the friendship events we were involved in.

We competed against 650 others, with teams from 29 countries and we are proud to report that Kenilworth School Junior Boys team brought home the bronze medal for our category.

Felix also received a silver for individual achievement. One of the highlights of the trip was getting to know athlete just like us, from countries as far away as New Zealand and China.

We are now preparing to qualify for a competition in Estonia. Our orienteering started when we were in Year 6 at All Saints'. Because we were quite good at cross country Mrs Patterson told us to try orienteering. It's a great sport- we love it! Thanks Mrs P!

Oliver and Felix Lunn

### **Green Leek Kingswood Residential**

Preparations are in their final stages for our joint Year 5 and 6 visit to Norfolk on 11<sup>th</sup> June. An evening for parents and children will take place at All Saints' on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm.

### **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.

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.

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

Our next Steering Group meeting is on 6<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in 'The Hub'.

Thank you to everybody who came along to PTFA this week, it was good to see so many people. We have planned a number of events for the term with lots of opportunities for everybody to be involved in.

### **The Summer Ball 13<sup>th</sup> May**

Only 8 sleeps to go!

### **Green Leek Cricket Match 23<sup>rd</sup> May 5.00pm**

Junior and adult cricket matches, BBQ, bar, close to children's play area. Fund raising event for both of our Green Leek Schools. Come along to enjoy a relaxed family evening even if you are not playing. We would appreciate donations of raffle prizes for this and forthcoming events.

### **Village Fete 10<sup>th</sup> June from 2pm onwards**

This is a great opportunity to be part of a village wide events with lots of fun and excitement assured for all ages. It is also a super fundraising opportunity. This year we will be providing a BBQ as well as our traditional PIMMS stall. Donations of Pimms and lemonade would be appreciated as well as fruit nearer the time. Please volunteer to join the rota.

### **Bags2Schools Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June**

Save all your unwanted clothes, shoes, belts for our next Bags2Schools Collection.

Drop off Thursday after school or before 9am on Friday. Encourage neighbours and friends to contribute too.

### **School v Village Cricket Match 27<sup>th</sup> June**

Junior Match 5.00pm followed by adult match at 6pm.

This is a fundraiser in aid of Myton Hospice.

### **Wren Hall Cake Sale 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

We have been fortunate to secure a slot at this popular afternoon tea venue. To maximise this opportunity we will need about 30 large cakes and a rota of volunteers to keep the cups filled. Sue Gibson has more details if you can help.

### **End of Year Summer BBQ**

Please save the date for our popular and final event of the year. It's never too early to plan a class or year group stall.



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

Plans are well underway for our second run. In order to make this event a regular and sustainable in the long term we are keen to involve as many families in both our schools as possible.

You don't have to be a runner to help in the organisation. You are welcome at the next planning meetings on 5<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm in The Hub.

We are particularly looking for people willing to marshal part of the route under the direction of a route section leader. Please contact Mrs Patterson

## **Easy Fundraising**

Help us by collecting free donations when you book holidays and travel.

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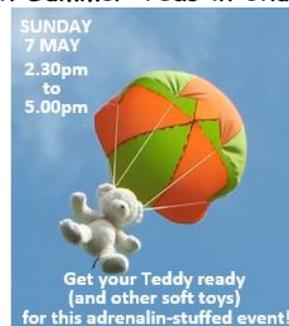
## **All Saints Together at All Saints' Parish Church**

### **SUNDAY 7 MAY**

8.00am - Holy Communion

9.30am - All Age Worship

2.30pm - **Teddy Bear Parachuting from the Church Tower; Church Summer Teas in Church (until 5pm)**



### **SUNDAY 14 MAY**

9.30am - Holy Communion with children's groups

3.00pm - **MESSY CHURCH IN THE WOODS**

at the Arboretum (by the entrance to the Warwickshire Club). Suitable clothing and footwear for outdoor activities essential.

### **SUNDAY 21 MAY**

8.00am - Holy Communion

9.30am - Rogation Sunday "Walk and Worship", beginning and ending in church, come and join us as

we take our worship around the village, stopping to pray at various places for God's blessing on our community life

### **THURSDAY 25 MAY - ASCENSION DAY**

Bible Reading & Prayer on the hour from 1pm to 6pm

*A Prayer and Reflection trail on the theme*

*"The Father Heart of God" will be in church*

*and open from 1pm on Ascension Day*

*until Pentecost, Sunday 4 June*

6.30pm Worship for Ascension Day

### **SUNDAY 28 MAY**

9.30am - All Age Holy Communion with children's groups

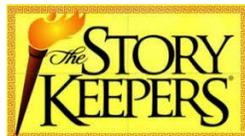
### **SUNDAY 4 JUNE - PENTECOST**

8.00am - Holy Communion

9.30am - All Age Worship

2.30pm - Church Summer Teas in Church (until 5pm)

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**



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

Tuesday 15th - Thursday 17th August

9:30am-12:30pm each day

at All Saints' School

Applications open very soon.

Freddie Rodd, Kiran Rai, Maia Harman-Sherwood,  
Nadia Kniwel, Bella Thompson, Barney Gale

**Mathlete of the Week**

**Reception** - Rachel Craine

**KS1** - George Horner

**KS2** - Andrew Digby, Harry Wager

### **Awards**

**Truly Brilliant** - Asa Barratt, Megan Bignall,  
Will Collins, Katie Constable, Freya Dalrymple,  
Naomi Darnton, Barry Edge, Poppy George,  
Nathan Green, Emelia Hall, Kate Harrison,  
Olivia Hawker, Amelia Hodgson,  
Joshua Houlihan, Grace Lee, Devan Lota,  
Gabrielle Mac, Archie Thompson, Heidi Wragg,  
James Ward, Joel Goldsmith, Gio Dhillon,  
Ella Docherty

**Silver Plus** - Willow George, Oscar Howson, Theo Orton

**Rainbow Steps** - Joel Goldsmith, Daniel Mendia,

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Received from Warwickshire Attendance and Compliance Service

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of Platt v Isle of Wight Council which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who are absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

*Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.*

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

**Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority**

**Key Stage 1 Teacher Assessments will be finalized throughout May**

May 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Key Stage 2 Test Week- Year 6</b>
	7.00 Full Governing Body meeting at Burton Green
May 10 <sup>th</sup>	9.20 Open Assembly Rev Jim Perryman
May 13 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 The Summer Ball, The Warwickshire
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 Year 5 Cricket Festival at Kenilworth Cricket Club
	1.00 Year 6 KDPSA Rounders Tournament at Kenilworth School
	7.00 Kingswood meeting at All Saints'.
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	1.00 Years 3 and 4 Quad Kids at Edmonscote Track
	7.00 Reception 2016 Induction Evening
May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Green Leek Cricket Match at Leek Wootton Sports and Social Club 5.00 Junior Match, 6.00 Adults
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00- 2.00 Year 4 Cricket Festival at Kenilworth Cricket Club
	<b>Pupils Break Up- Half Term</b>
May 25 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup>	Staff INSET Days
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	Return to school Spring Fever Week
	7.00 Green Leek 10K Steering group at All Saints'
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 P.T.F.A
June 7 <sup>th</sup>	Reception 2017 Group Induction Years 5 & 6 Green Leek Kingswood Challenge Day at All Saints'



June 10 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 pm Village Fete and Village Country Dancing displays. P.T.F.A Pimms and BBQ
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 & 6 Kingswood Residential visit, Norfolk
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Reception 2017 Group Induction 9.20 Open Assembly Rev Peter Burns
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Stained Glass Window Day
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.45 Open Morning September 2018 4.00 KDPSA Field Events at Kenilworth School 7.00 All Saints' Resources Committee
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	9.20 Ash Class Assembly Reception 2017 Group Induction 1.30 Open Afternoon September 2018 7.00 Green Leek Performance and Standards at All Saints'.
June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	4.00 KDPSA Track Events at Edmonscote Track
June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Bags2 School 9.20 Oak Class assembly
June 27 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 Pupils Cricket Match, 6.00 School v Village Cricket Match
June 28 <sup>th</sup>	Induction Day Year 6. September classes YR - Year 5 Reception 2017 Induction 9.20 Open Assembly followed by coffee and chat
June 29 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 Central Area Sports 7.00 Green Leek Resources at Burton Green
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 Years 3 & 4 Sleepover
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	P.T.F.A Cake Sale at Wren Hall, helpers required.
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 KDPSA Country Dancing Festival at Kenilworth Castle.
July 5 <sup>th</sup>	4.30 - 6.30 Open Evening
July 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 Green Leek Governing Body at Burton Green
July 11 <sup>th</sup>	Reports to Parents out
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.20 Open Assembly Rev Jim Perryman 2.00 Afternoon Matinee Performance.
July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Oak and Ash Classes Pirate Day 7.00 Year 5& 6 Performance
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 PTFA Family Barbecue
July 18 <sup>th</sup>	5-7.30 Parents Evening
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 Pot of Gold and Leavers Assembly All Saints' Church
July 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day 5.00 Year 6 Leavers social event
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	am Children's informal Talent Show- pupils only. 1.00 Family Picnic- no hot meals, 2.30 Final Assembly. Break Up
September 1 <sup>st</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>	Staff INSET Days
Sept 5 <sup>th</sup>	Pupils return to School