

All Saints' Newsletter – 19th July 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well it's hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of the school year and on behalf of the staff I would like to thank you all for your incredible support over the year. It has been a year jam-packed with wonderful learning and experiences and we hope the children have enjoyed it as much as we have! We will be sad to say goodbye to our Year 6 children as their journey with All Saints' comes to an end, but we know they are ready for the next stage of their education and we look forward to hearing how they are all getting on at their new schools. Good luck Year 6! Although this will be the final newsletter for this year, I will send a letter before school returns with all information and reminders required for a successful start in September.

PTA

Just a reminder that the PTA will be hosting the summer fair at All Saints' Primary School tomorrow afternoon at 2pm until 4pm, and we would love to see everybody supporting this. We look forward to seeing you!

Meet the teacher sessions

Following on from the transition mornings and the resources shared yesterday, we can confirm that the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions will be held during the week commencing 18th September. The sessions will be held from 3.30 to 4pm with each class inviting you in on either of two evenings that week so that you can meet your child's new teacher. Confirmation of the individual dates for classes will be sent out in the first week of September so please look out for these. We look forward to meeting with you all.

Safeguarding over the summer holiday

The safeguarding@allsaintsilkley.bradford.sch.uk email address will be checked regularly over the summer break so please do get in touch if there are any concerns you have. If there are any urgent concerns please use the contact details on the [school website](#).

Staffing

There will be some changes to our support staff team from September. Mrs Tomblin will be leaving us to take up a permanent role at Ilkley Grammar School, Mrs Dawson will be leaving us to take up a role at Ashlands Primary School and Mrs Craven, Office Manager, and Mrs Bentham, lunchtime assistant, will also be leaving us to have some well-earned time to put their feet up! We thank them all for their wonderful contribution during their time at All Saints' and I am sure you will want to join me in wishing them our very best for the future.

Little Saints'

The Little Saints After School Club has new managers and they would love to say hello to all families that use the service or are considering accessing it next school year. Heidi Milner (Thursday and Friday lead) and Tracy Henney (Monday-Wednesday) have both worked in school for a while now in different capacities, and are really pleased to be taking on the role. The children have already shared some exciting ideas with the team about what they would like from the club moving forwards, and the next step will be to consult with families; so please look out for this as your feedback is appreciated!



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Cookies 4 Carol

Mrs Dennison and the All Saints' Gardening Club (or cookie cooking club 😊) would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who supported our Cookies 4 Carol bake sale this week. We have raised a fantastic £309.71p which will buy a wonderful memorial for our friend and governor Carol Stewart who passed away last month. Once again, THANK YOU 🙏.

Fun French clubs at All Saints Primary from September 2023

In September we will continue to offer our lunchtime French club which aims to provide a fun and active language-learning programme designed for young learners.

- 12 sessions in the Autumn term
- KS1 Lunchtime clubs on Tuesday
- KS2 after school club on Thursday 3.20 – 4.20pm
- There will be a weekly cost
- Small groups (approx.12 children)

As this is an external provider, please register your interest and if you require any further information, send an email and any queries to sophievb@blueyonder.co.uk Please use *All Saints* as the "subject" and state your child's name / age / class.

Parking

Recently some issues have been raised regarding parking, both within and around the school grounds. This has included cars being parked in the drop of zone and on the yellow lines in the turning circle, as well as issues with cars being parked on the yellow zig zags outside the Westville Road entrance. Please could drivers ensure that they follow parking restrictions to ensure the safety of all site users and that we show consideration to neighbours of the school.

Headteacher Awards

Well done to all the children who have received Headteacher awards over the last two weeks. Being able to keep up their great learning behaviours and demonstrate our school values right until the very end of the year is a great achievement. Well done! We are super proud of you all!





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News from EYFS

In Early Years we have been discussing our favourite activities or days out in reception. Many of the children loved the day at Nell Bank and their time in forest schools. The children have been excited to learn that they are receiving their learning journeys this week. It has been absolutely wonderful to see how the children have developed throughout the year. Some children have shown a huge progression in their writing or reading. It has been wonderful to see how the children have grown in confidence and independence. We all genuinely love all their different characters and personalities.

The children have spent a little time in their new classes with their new teachers. All the children came back to the classrooms with big smiles on their faces. We peeked in to the classrooms to check that all the children were engaged and smiling. The children have been reminded that we are just across the corridor if they ever want to chat or have a hug.

We are all looking forward to our Teddy Bear's picnic on Friday at 2.30pm. We will provide buns and juice for all the children and parents. It will be lovely to present the children with their amazing journals and read some teddy bear stories. The final three days of reception will be fun and busy. All the staff are really looking forward to talking to the children about their plans for the summer. We know that lots of you are going on some exciting holidays! Have a wonderful summer holidays.

News from KS1

Both Year 1 and 2 had a brilliant morning on Wednesday meeting their new teachers. The children were really excited to see their new classrooms and talk about some of the things they will be doing next year.



Your child will be coming home with their school books from this year on Wednesday. We will be passing the current books in each of their subjects up to the next teacher so as to not waste any paper. We hope you enjoy celebrating all of their wonderful learning and all that they have achieved over this year. We are all deeply proud of the children and know they will continue to thrive next year. Thank you for all for your support in your child's educational journey this year.

Sports day





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Year 1

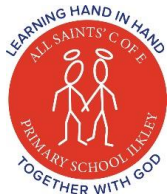
We are near the end of our topic, 'Hot and Cold'. Year 1 have enjoyed creating some hot and cold world countries, building igloos and shacks as well as creating some cold and hot world animals.



Year 2



Year 2 have been busy designing and making moving beach houses. We have looked at axels and wheels to create moving parts.



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Year 2 also enjoyed a church visit to All Saints' Church with the Year 5 children last week.



News from LKS2

Our final two weeks in school have been filled with lots of excitement and creativity.



In year 3, we have continued to be inspired by artists such as Andy Warhol and Nick Rowland. Looking at tint, tone and texture, we have created our own volcano art pieces by using paint and other materials to create depth to our pictures. We are very proud of the exploding work we have created!



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Our English writing has taken us into the mysteries and myths of legends, as we have been reading *When the Giant Stirred*. We have been focusing greatly on language and vocabulary this term, examining the authors choice of words and their meanings. We have gone on to publishing our own legend stories, using our imagination to develop our settings and characters.

We have finished learning all about rocks, soils and fossils this week! It has been wonderful to see the children so engaged, with many bringing in their own fossils from home to share. To further enhance their knowledge, we made our own fossils using salt, flour and coffee!



Finally, we have moved on to our final maths topic of the year; shapes! The children have been using their knowledge from Year 2 to build on their understanding of right angles and 3D shapes.





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4F managed to dodge the wet weather and have lots of fun developing their knowledge of the outdoors in Forest schools. The children were enthusiastic and supportive of one another throughout the session and showed great resilience when trying to set a piece of cotton wool on fire using a flint and steel.



We all had great fun acting as animals from the Rainforest, clinging to trees and resting like sloths.



As we come to the end of our geography topic on the Rainforests, we have been debating about the impact, and the pros and cons of deforestation. The debates have shown the care and compassion that we have towards the preservation of our planet.





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News from UKS2

Year 5 All Saints' Church visit

On Friday 7th July, our Year 5 children visited All Saints' church to learn about the history of certain aspects of the building. They then created a mouse trail for the Year 2 children, acting as guides the following week, on Friday 14th July. The children were fantastic, showing off their newly learnt knowledge alongside the younger children. In doing so, they showed us that they are just about ready to be our Year 6 children in September.



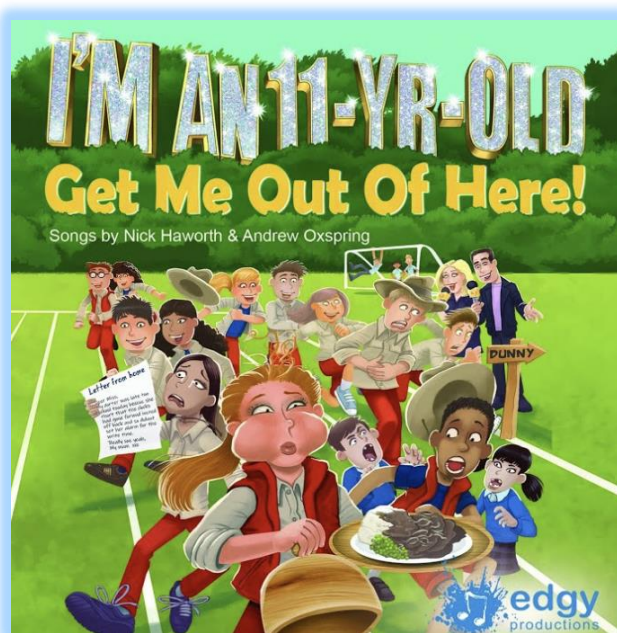
Year 6 production – I'm an 11-year-old ... get me out of here!

Our Year 6 children have done themselves (and their teachers) very proud having completed all the performances of their end of year production. The 'I'm an 11-yr-old ... Get me out of here!' generated some excellent reviews and lots of laughs from all those who were lucky enough to watch.

We are so proud of how every child performed on stage, showing confidence and contributing to something really special. The delivery of the lines was very funny ... as were those that children made up mid-performance!

We can confirm, however, that the prospective candidate for our catering staff was unsuccessful in 'her' application, having failed the tapioca test. We wish her luck in her future culinary endeavours.

A huge **thank-you** to all staff who have contributed and supported with their time and effort to make the production a success. Moreover, a thank-you to parents/carers who helped children produce some wonderful (and some odd) outfits. We couldn't have done it without you.





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Sporting supplement – by Sport Council

This week's sporting hero is Wimbledon Singles Champion, Carlos Alcaraz, who defeated Novak Djokovic in a classic match, in five sets. In his first Wimbledon Final, he was victorious over the seven-time champion, who hadn't lost on Centre Court for ten years! With a combination of phenomenal technique, athleticism and perseverance, Alcaraz won the match and lifted the famous, golden trophy. With the US Open just around the corner, we are likely to see another fantastic sporting battle between Alcaraz and Djokovic.





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Sports Day Special

Following our belated F/KS1 Sports Day, we have now completed all our sports day sessions across school. All children, from Foundation to Year 6 represented themselves, their houses, and their school admirably, competing with determination and pride. Many children pushed themselves beyond their comfort zones, trying when things got tough (sometimes in unfavorable weather), often with a smile on their face. A particularly pleasing aspect was the support children gave one another, regardless of house. While children were backing their houses to come out on top, there was genuine support given to all which was exactly what we strive for at All Saints'. Further to this, while children coming in the top three gained points for their respective houses, so too did children who took part. With the scores so close, these points were vitally important to the outcome.



The ever-popular parents/carer races ... with some ever-present false starts (and falling over).





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Results

F/KS1 winners – Water

LKS2 winners – Fire

UKS2 winners – Earth



Overall winners - Water

Thank-you...

- A big thanks to all staff who supported the event, especially in the rain!
- The Sport Council and KS2 helpers who helped the events run smoothly.
- Ilkley Rugby Club for offering us their grounds.
- Parents/Carers/Family/Friends who came and supported their children.

See you next year!

Thank you from Mr Gawthorpe

I just wanted to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you or the very warm welcome you have given to me as I have started at All Saints'. It has been lovely getting to know all the children and parents of this amazing school. It has been an incredible first 6 months and I look forward to spending a whole 'All Saints year' with you all next year and getting to know you all better. Thank you for all the support and kind messages.

Stuart Gawthorpe
Deputy Headteacher

Diary Dates

We are hoping to publish a list of key dates for next year in the first newsletter on our return in September so please look out for those.

All that is left to say is thank you and enjoy a wonderful, well-deserved summer break everyone. We would be delighted to hear what everyone is doing so do feel free to send in postcards during the break and we will look forward to hearing everyone's news and seeing you all on Tuesday 5th September.

Best wishes,
Helen Dunn



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DIARY DATES

DIARY DATES (Summer Term)	Date
Year 6 Leavers Service, (Year 6 parents only), All Saints' Parish Church, 2pm	25.7.23
School closes	26.7.23
School opens	5.9.23