

**ALL SAINTS C.E. (V.C.) FIRST SCHOOL & BUSY BEES PRE-SCHOOL**  
 Headteacher: Mrs V. A Bradley

Friday, 04 September 2020

Dear Parents

Firstly, welcome back to school to each and every one of you! It has been absolutely wonderful to be able to open our doors to the whole school this week and welcome all of the children. I have to open by letting you all know how incredibly proud we are of all of the children. They have slipped back into school life as if they have never been away - their resilience and confidence in returning has been inspiring and we must thank you enormously for preparing your children so well for their return to the classroom.

New routines have been a challenge for adults and children alike but we seem to have a workable system in place. After a few teething problems with the one-way system, drop-off and pick-up seem to be working from our perspective so please do let us know if this is not the same from your perspective and we will do our best to find a solution to any issues.

**Wellies**

The weather has been problematic already although up to now nothing insurmountable. However, we would like to suggest that a pair of wellies that the children could keep in school would be a great idea. Please ensure that they are clearly labelled.

**Hand Cream**

Our washing hands routines are going really well and the children are efficient and thorough with this which is great to see. As was the case when we re-opened in June, if you would like your child to have hand cream in school please do send it in with them. All of the children have their own space in their classroom to keep the cream and again, please make sure that it is clearly labelled.

**PE Sessions & Forest School**

Each child in school will have forest school and PE sessions each week. Please ensure that your child arrives in school in their kit, with appropriate footwear and outerwear for an outdoor session, on the following days:

	PE Sessions	Forest School
Cherry	Monday	Thursday
Beech	Monday + Thursday	Friday
Oak	Tuesday + Wednesday	Tuesday
Rowan	Thursday + Friday	Wednesday

**Illness & Absence**

As stressed in previous communications it is incredibly important that you do not send your child to school if they are unwell and particularly if they are exhibiting any of the specific Covid related symptoms of a high temperature, a new and/or persistent cough or a change in sense of taste or smell. We are incredibly fortunate here at All saints to have a parent community that values the education that the school offers and I know that many of you will have concerns regarding absence. As you will have seen in our attendance amendment, we have currently suspended our usual attendance rewards etc. If your child is absent from school because of a need to isolate for any reason we will of course continue to support you and your child with remote learning opportunities, so please do not worry.

**Kingfisher Club**

Please do get in touch and let us know if you need to access before or after school club this half term. The routines in place this week have worked well. Please do remember that unfortunately we are not able at the moment to offer care beyond 4.30pm.

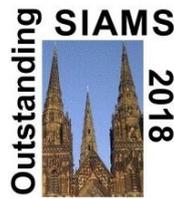
**Walk-to-School**

We will be re-starting our WOW Walk to School Scheme next week. For all of you who are new to school, this is a scheme that allows the children to earn a badge each month if they walk, scoot, ride or park & stride to school once a week. If any of you would like any further details please do ask your class teachers.





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### Diary Dates

As many of you will recall, with our welcome back letter I would usually send out a list of diary dates for the year to give you a rough guide as to when you would be invited into school. At the moment is very difficult to predict when we will be able to once again welcome you into the school or church to enjoy celebrations with your children. I have therefore attached the school holiday dates for your information and will update you with any other dates as we progress through the term.

### School Photographs

Academy Photography will be visiting school on **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September** to take individual and sibling group photographs. Please be assured that risk assessments are in place, the photographer will wear a face covering at all times and remain at least a 2m distance from your child. If you do not wish your child to be photographed this year please just email the office to inform them.

### Parent Evening

Unfortunately, we will not be able to welcome you into school to meet face-to-face with your child's class teacher this term. However, if you feel you would like to have a short telephone conversation with your child's class teacher they will be available as follows:

Mrs Griffin - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September from 1.00pm onwards  
([cherry@allsaints-standon.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:cherry@allsaints-standon.staffs.sch.uk))

Mrs White - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 1.00pm onwards  
([beech@allsaints-standon.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:beech@allsaints-standon.staffs.sch.uk))

Miss Adams - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September from 1.00pm onwards  
([oak@allsaints-standon.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:oak@allsaints-standon.staffs.sch.uk))

Mrs Abbotts - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September from 1.00pm onwards  
([rowan@allsaints-standon.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:rowan@allsaints-standon.staffs.sch.uk))

Please email your child's class teacher on their new email addresses (see above) to arrange a mutually convenient time. Please let your child's class teacher know if you would like to have a conversation but you are not available on the specified date.

### Consent

Please click on the link below and you will be directed to an online form where you can let us know your preferences for consent regarding Purple Mash logins, use of photographs etc. We would appreciate it if you could complete this form by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September. [Consent Form](#)

Finally, thank you all so much for preparing your children so well for their return to school - whether they have been away for 6 weeks or 6 months! I am sure that we all appreciate that during these extraordinary times there may need to be tweaks to our procedures and processes but will endeavour to communicate this clearly and in good time. Please do support us in keeping everyone safe by letting us know if you have any concerns or have a suggestion for how we could improve something. Equally, please do let us know if something is going well.

Just before I sign off I would just like to take a moment to thank all of the staff and the Governors for their incredible and tireless support as we have worked to get the school ready for September.

Kind regards

Vicki Bradley  
Headteacher

