













# ALL SAINTS C.E. (V.C.) FIRST SCHOOL & BUSY BEES PRE-SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mr. D Elliott-Hancock

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#### School Notices - December 2025

#### Christmas at All Saints

As previously communicated, and looking at the diary dates, you can there are lots of Christmassy activities coming up at school and in the wider community. Please familiarise yourselves with these so you don't miss out. Details about ticketing arrangements for our Christmas performances will be given in due course.

#### Christmas Film Night

All of the children are welcome to join us to enjoy a festive film, with collection at 5.20pm. Please use the previously circulated form to sign up.

### **Christmas Performances**

Anticipation is building for our Nativity performances this year: 'Lights, Camel, Action 2 - The Sequin'. Please could we remind you that all costumes should have been in school by Friday 5th December, so we have them ready for our dress rehearsal this week. Please can you ensure these are in school asap. Our Christmas. Performances will take place at 2.00pm and 6.00pm. There are 4 tickets available to each family for each performance. Following the performance at 2.00pm children may go home a little early to rest and eat before heading back to school at 5.30pm ready for the evening performance. The children will take their costumes home with them following the afternoon performance and should return to school wearing their full costume and be ready to go for the evening performance. Tickets for both performances will be handed today. This year, the PTFA will be selling refreshments at each performance, so please

This year, the PTFA will be selling refreshments at each performance, so please arrive with plenty of time prior to the start of each performance. Additionally, we will be having a raffle too where there will be a hamper of goodies available to win at each of the performances, tickets can be purchased on the day.

#### **Christmas Jumper Day**

We invite children to wear festive jumpers instead of their school jumpers on Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup> of December. Please note this is *not* a non-uniform day, so usual school uniform should also be worn. Our school Christmas lunch is the same day, so it promises to be a really festive occasion.



#### Carol and Christingle Service

Our annual carol service will be in church on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> of December, after school. Staff will walk children over to church for the service, so please make your way there first. We will then bring children back to school where you can enjoy refreshments served y or PTFA, where we will release your child(ren) to you.

#### Theatre visit

Please see previous communications about the trip to the theatre to see The Little Mermaid for Reception to Year 4 children.



# Party Day

Children are welcome to come to school in their party wear or Christmas Jumpers. If your child does not usually have a school meal and would like the Christmas Party school lunch, please let the school office know by **Tuesday 9th December 2025**. School will close for the Christmas Holidays at 3:30pm. Please note that there will be NO Kingfisher Club available. School will recopen for all of the children

# Dates for the Diary

9<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas film night

11<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas jumper day and lunch

12<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas performances, 2pm and 6pm

15<sup>th</sup> December: Carol and Christingle service in Church

17<sup>th</sup> December: Reception to Y4, Christmas trip to watch The Little Mermaid

19<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Party & lunch School closes for Christmas holidays. NO KINGFISHER CLUB

5<sup>th</sup> January: INSET School closed to pupils

6<sup>th</sup> January: Children return to school

#### The Mobile Library

We will be unable to take the children on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December due to our busy party day and lunch so our next visit after this Friday will be the 16<sup>th</sup> of January.

#### Christmas Fair

Thank you to all who attended the Christmas Fair on Friday. The PTFA have raised over £800 from this event - thank you so much to all involved!













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Our <u>Amazon Wishlist</u> is still active, with new items added regularly. We really do appreciate your continued generosity! If you would like to see if you could purchase something to benefit our school, the link is here: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1KNP7AFQL3GU3?ref\_=wl\_share

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God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Counthians 9:7

# Spotlight on... Charity

As a school community, we are incredibly proud and grateful to have taken part in a range of charitable causes this term. These opportunities not only allow us to support significant organisations but also help our children to understand kindness, generosity, and making a difference in the lives of others, linking closely to our Christian values of Endurance and Service.

Through fun and engaging activities, we have been able to raise awareness of the importance of giving and show our pupils how even small actions can have a big impact.

We were delighted to raise over £70 for Children in Need by wearing our pyjamas — a fantastic achievement for a school of our size. We are also awaiting the final total raised for the Royal British Legion, and we are deeply thankful for the generous food donations made to the Stone Community Hub food bank following our harvest service before half term. Each of these contributions reflects the caring spirit of our school family, and we are proud to

# see our children learning the joy of supporting others. Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mrs Kirsty Devenport.
Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) is Mrs Clare Griffin.

If you should have any safeguarding concerns regarding any child or young person you can contact: Staffordshire Families Integrated Front Door (SFID) on 0300 111 8007

If a child or young person is in immediate danger call Staffordshire Police 999

Our school is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces. Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school we have ensured that at least one member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the children in our care.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right. On 24 May 2024 Royal Assent was granted to The Victims and Prisoners Act. The Act placed Operation Encompass into Law.

This places a statutory obligation on police forces to share Operation Encompass notifications with schools/educational settings.

