

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

Headteacher: Mr. D Elliott-Hancock

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School Notices - November 2025

Christmas Card Designs

Thank you to parents who joined in with this project. Thanks to your creativity we raised around £40 for school funds! Designs should be with us in a few weeks.

Poppy Appeal

Poppies and other accessories are still available to purchase.



Children in Need

We will be joining in the Children in Need festivities in school on the 14th of November. Children are invited to wear pyjamas for the day, with a donation to Children in Need brought into school.



Grandparents Lunches

We look forward to welcoming as many Grandparents as possible to one of our three lunches on the 11th, 17th and 24th of November. These are always really popular so please make sure you are booked in with preferred lunch choices via the form sent out before Half Term.

Flu Vaccinations

The School Age Immunisation Team will be visiting All Saints on 4th of December to deliver the nasal flu vaccine to all children from Reception to Year 4. Please look out for an email giving further details along with the link to the electronic consent form. If you would like your child to receive the vaccine it is imperative that you complete the consent form. If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, please complete the consent form giving the reason.

Christmas at All Saints



As you can see from our diary dates there are lots of Christmassy activities coming up at school and in the wider community. More details will follow shortly. 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.

Mobile Library

The mobile library visits school every 2 weeks, with our children having the opportunity to select a book if they have returned their previous one. After a visit today, it will next return on the 21st November, then the 5th and 12th of December

Safeguarding

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mrs Kirsty Devenport.

Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL) are Mrs Clare Griffin and Mr David Elliott-Hancock.

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

Please can we remind children to bring in coats every day now the weather is colder.



Also, please can children bring a water bottle in daily.

Dates for the Diary

11th, 18th and 25th Nov:
Grandparents lunch.

14th November: Children in Need.

17th November - Lego Church

4th December: Flu Vaccinations

5th December: PTFA Christmas Fair

6th December: Christmas Tree Festival in Church

10th December: Christmas Film Night 3-5pm

11th December: Christmas jumper day and lunch

12th December: Christmas performances, 2pm and 6pm

15th December: Carol service in Church

17th December: Reception to Y4, Christmas trip to watch The Little Mermaid

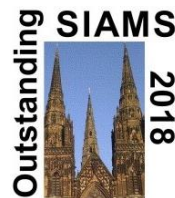
19th December: Christmas Party & lunch
School closes for Christmas holidays. NO KINGFISHER CLUB

5th January: INSET School closed to pupils

6th January: Children return to school



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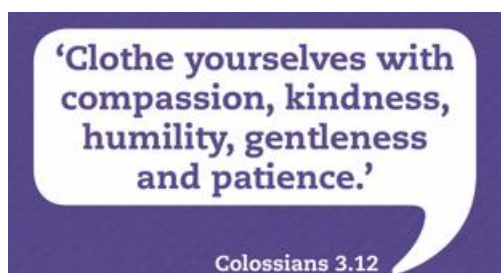
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Spotlight on... Christian Distinctiveness

Our Worship theme for half term will be **Compassion**. We will explore this by talking about being a good neighbour, having the right attitude and having the courage to care and make a difference.



We will also be sharing ideas around the importance of observing Armistice Day and marking charitable days including Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day.

What's been happening in... Busy Bees?

Busy Bees are thinking about the rhyme 'Twinkle, Twinkle' at the moment, which links nicely to learning we are doing about the night sky.



We have made starry night pictures and, thinking about fireworks we might have seen and heard we created our own firework art using marble painting and blow painting. In forest school, we used twigs to make bonfires, then used more twigs as paintbrushes to paint on the flames.



We have been reading lots of stories with repeated refrains including Peck Peck Peck and Splish, Splash, Ducky! by Lucy Cousins, encouraging children to complete the rhyming sentence.

PTFA Update



The PTFA would like to thank everyone who was able to attend the first Autumn Event before half term. Following the official opening of the Outdoor Classroom, the rain pretty much held off allowing for lots of fun with pumpkin painting, leaf printing, toasted marshmallows, chocolate apples, hot chocolates, jacket potatoes and photo opportunities with a tractor! We hope everyone had a great time and we're really pleased to share the event raised £346!

We'd like to give special thanks to Sarah Dyke-Hembrow for letting us borrow her tractor, Mrs Wain for donating and baking the jacket potatoes and Brookfields Farm Shop at Blackbrook for kindly supplying pumpkins at a discounted price.

In other news, the PTFA Committee has recently donated £1000 to enable school to purchase much needed items from their Amazon Wishlist. Items purchased are an outdoor storage unit, campfire grill, bike rack, 100 number frames, 2 boot scrapers, picnic table, 2 garden benches, a gazebo (gratefully used at the autumn event!) oil pastels, sand pit, 5 bags of play sand, Playmobil fire set and last but not least some baking trays. The Wishlist is updated regularly and all items purchased go towards supporting and enriching our children's learning.

Planning will very soon be underway for the annual Christmas Fair (it'll be here before we know it!). If anyone has any ideas, can support with sourcing raffle prizes or is able to help run the fair on the day please do let us know via the school office.

Huge thanks to everyone who continues to support the PTFA. We couldn't do it with you!



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