



All Saints CE (Aided) Primary School and Nursery

News and Events

18 February 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

What an unexpected way to end this half term. Fortunately, we are all used to working remotely now and teachers will be posting work up on Teams this morning. The red weather warning is for everyone to stay inside as the extremely strong winds could result in flying debris and a danger to life. Please stay safe.

I would like to share the success of the All Saints High Five Netball Team. After qualifying for the finals last term, the team finally had the opportunity to compete in the finals this week. I am very proud to announce that they won all of their matches and came back with gold medals. Please see the report from Stephanie below.

As mentioned in the newsletter on Monday, I have attached a letter of introduction from Tony Wilson, our new Chair of Governors. There will be an opportunity to meet Tony through a Parent Consultation Meeting on Thursday 3rd March at 6.30pm.

We have a Happy Bag collection on 4th March. This is a great opportunity to put those outgrown/unwanted clothes to a good use. There are some spare bags in reception if needed. Our children really need some new playground equipment and any funds raised will be put towards this great cause.

Finally, unless there is further government guidance for schools during ½ term, I would like to request that everyone continues to follow current Covid procedures when we return to school on Monday 28th February.

Take care today and have a lovely half term.

Yours sincerely,

Tracey Stanton

Final thought: If people are doubting how far you can go, go so far that you can't hear them anymore. Michele Ruiz



COMING UP—	
FEBRUARY	
Mon 21—Fri 25	Half Term—School Closed
28—Monday	Return to school
MARCH	
2—Wednesday	PTA Meeting—7.30pm in Rainbow Room
3—Thursday	World Book Day Stories for Breakfast
3—Thursday	6.30 Parent Consultation evening about the Academisation
4—Friday	Happy Bags Collection
7—Monday	Year 2 SATs meeting—6pm
9—Wednesday	Year 4 Parents meeting—Times Tables—6pm
10—Thursday	Year 6 SATs & residential meeting—6pm
18—Friday	Red Nose Day
26—Saturday	Purple Day (worldwide epilepsy awareness day)
A full list of Term Dates can be found on the School Website	

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Our Vision Statement, 'Opening the door to learning and life' reflects our determination to inspire every child achieve their potential

Year 5/6 High five Netball qualifiers and finals!

A group of year 5/6 girls attended a netball competition on the 14th October 2021 to then exactly four months later- 14 February 2022 - attend the finals of the previous competition. This competition was against three other schools, who all won in their qualifying rounds. We won the first game 5:0, the second game 4:0 and the final game 6:0. We all thoroughly enjoyed the games against the other extremely good teams, in both the qualifiers and the finals and hope we can go on and win the next round representing Wokingham in the Berkshire level. On the way back, on the minibus, we all sung 'Netball's coming home.'





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All Saints Wokingham - Letter to Parents

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your families are well. As there have been a number of developments at All Saints during the past half term, I am writing to update you on these and share some plans for the next half term.

Firstly, I would like to introduce myself as the new Chair of Governors at All Saints. As we are a Church of England Voluntary Aided School, The Oxford Diocesan Board of Education (ODBE) has always worked intensively in partnership with Wokingham Council to support All Saints. Following the Ofsted inspection in September 2021, this support has intensified and focused on leadership and governance. In addition, our associate membership of the Frays Multi Academy Trust (MAT) has brought external expertise to the school to improve the quality of education for all our pupils. Most recently, ODBE and Wokingham Council have sought to boost the capacity of the governing body by appointing experienced educational professionals including myself as governors. As there was an existing vacancy for the post of Chair, I felt called to take on this role at this important stage in the school's journey. At the same time, a number of governors felt that this was an appropriate time to step down. I am grateful for the service they have given to the school; in some cases, this has been over many years.

Secondly, following the decision of Mrs Stanton to retire at the end of the current academic year, the new look governing body have been active in planning and developing the process to recruit a new headteacher for September. With the support of Wokingham Council, they have prepared an application pack and selection process that we are confident will enable us to recruit the best possible headteacher to lead All Saints from September. The post will be advertised in early March, and we hope to be able to appoint our new head before Easter. I will of course keep you updated on this process during the next half term.

Thirdly, governors are in the process of consulting on the proposal to become an academy and join the Frays MAT from September. As part of this process, we have already provided an opportunity to meet with parents and carers on a virtual platform. Given the reduction of Covid-19 cases and the significant developments at All Saints that I have outlined, we would like to provide a further opportunity to meet in person. We would like to invite all parents and carers to meet at the school on Thursday 3rd March at 6.30pm for an in person meeting to discuss the academisation proposal and to meet the new members of the governing body.

Finally, it only remains for me to wish all our school community a very pleasant break and I look forwards to seeing many of you after half-term.

Yours faithfully,

Tony Wilson - Chair of Governors & Director of Education for The Diocese of Oxford