

# All Saints' Catholic Primary School

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**As unique children of God we:**  
*aspire not to have more but to be more.*

**To:**  
Love Christ  
Listen to Christ  
Learn from Christ



### Health Week

Our much-loved Health Week will make a return week beginning Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June. For the whole week, children are invited to dress in activewear. Depending upon the weather, they may need a hat/baseball cap or waterproof clothing. It is essential **that children wear sun cream and bring water into school every day as each class will be doing a great deal of physical activity outdoors.** Below are some of the things the children can look forward to:

A healthy Tuck Shop on Tuesday & Thursday (50p per child should suffice)

Rugby

Cheerleading

Tennis

Parachute (EYFS & Key Stage One)

Space-hopper course

Netball

The importance of handwashing (EYFS & Key Stage One)

First Aid (Key Stage Two)

Gymnastics (R & Y1)

Golf (Y6)

Swimming (Y3)

Prostrike football

Ice cream and yoghurt making

Police visit (Y5 & Y6)

Inflatable assault course

Sports' Day

### ProStrike Fundraising Event

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June, to help kick off our Health Week, we are working with Pro-Strike Events to raise much needed funds for our playground area. The children should bring home their sponsorship forms this evening - please support us where you can. 50% of all money raised will go to school funds. Please see the attached letter for further information!



### Sports Day

If the weather continues to behave itself, Sports Day should be able to go ahead on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June. As always however, if we have any rain or the grass is too wet, the event will have to be cancelled; we will send a text out on Wednesday morning if this is the case.

This year, we are reverting to our original plan of holding the event on our school field rather than at the cricket ground; this will help us to ensure we can safeguard the whole school by keeping the event within school boundaries, keeping access open to pupil toilets and being able to avoid crossing Kitswell Road at extremely busy times of the day.

All children are invited to wear their P.E. shorts and a t-shirt representing their house colour:

**St. Aidan - All Saints' House of Perseverance**

**St. Hilde - All Saints' House of Peace**

**St. Cuthbert - All Saints' House of Wisdom**

**St. Bede - All Saints' House of Learning**

During the morning, the children will be in their house groups and they will take part in a carousel of fun team activities. They will earn points for their houses which will be carried across into the afternoon 'races', which will be in year groups. Families are very welcome to join us from about 1p.m. on our field (You are welcome to bring your own deck chairs). At the end of the day, we will take the children back into school to collect any belongings and we will then bring them onto the top yard as normal.

Although we are aiming to be finished at our home normal time, events may take longer than planned and so we may be a little late. If you (or your child-minder) have children to collect from the EP school or nursery, we will understand if you have to leave and call back to collect your children from us.

### Spelling Shed and Half Term Newsletters

You should have received this information via email earlier in the week. You can see all previous spellings and further curriculum information on our website at:

[Our Classes \(lanchester.durham.sch.uk\)](http://www.lanchester.durham.sch.uk)

### Children's Liturgy - Sunday Mass

Children's Liturgy will begin again in Church from Sunday. All pupils from Reception to Year Six are welcome. Please join us for Mass at 9.30a.m.

### Year 3 - Rugby

On Thursday Year 3 will be having Rugby coaching in school, please send your child into school in PE kit.

## New Lunch Menu - September 2022

As we are now part of Bishop Wilkinson Catholic Education Trust, from September Bishop Wilkinson will be taking over the catering within school from Taylor Shaw. We are delighted to say that our current kitchen cook, Miss Charlton and assistant cook, Mrs. Beet, will remain with us as part of our All Saints' family. The menu will be changing in September and we are thrilled to be able to offer all pupils five choices of meals each day. I must admit that the menu sounds delicious and I can't wait to try many of the dishes myself! We have chosen to keep the pre-selection band system in place as we have received a lot of positive feedback since this was introduced. Therefore, please select your child's menu choices and return them to school no later than Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July. Please may I politely suggest that you choose your child's lunches with them, considering their preferences, to ensure they have ownership about what they are eating - many thanks!

## School Uniform

Wearing the correct school uniform is very important for all children in school. It gives them a sense of belonging and of being part of our school family. Orders for new uniform can be placed via Parent Pay. Please be aware that our uniform policy (including the requirement for black school shoes) will continue to be enforced in September.

## Earrings

Please can I remind everyone that wearing jewellery (including earrings) is not part of our school uniform policy. Please wait until the beginning of the six weeks if you would like your child to have their ears pierced so their ears will be healed by autumn term. Many thanks for your cooperation and support in this area.

## Congratulations to Year Four

It feels like all I seem to be doing is congratulating pupils on their admirable approach to assessments recently. Across primary school, there are now assessments in Reception, Year One, Year Two, Year Four and Year Six! As many of you know, I am not an advocate for excessive testing but this is the current education system that we find ourselves in. Therefore, it is the turn of our Year Four pupils to be congratulated for their approach to their assessment this week - the phrase cool, calm and collected comes to mind. Thank goodness they enjoyed an Anglo Saxon Day on Monday and a trip to Newcastle on Tuesday so the assessment was only a small fraction of their week!

## Dog Safety

Recently there have been several tragic dog attack fatalities, so it's paramount that families are equipped with the knowledge and skills they need to enjoy spending time with their dogs safely. The Canine and Feline Sector Group Dog Safety Code highlights three crucial messages that all dog owners and families need to know:



Please visit [cfsg.org.uk/dog-safety](https://cfsg.org.uk/dog-safety) for further advice and support.

## SVP - Holy Island Camp

Applications to pupils in Years Five and Six are now open. The camp has been running on Holy Island every summer since 1954; the aim of the camp is to provide a safe and enjoyable week away in a unique location, where children can engage in a variety of mainly outdoor activities, make new friends and get some much needed time away from screens! For further information, please see the letter attached.

## Year Six: Youth Village & Treat Day

Year Six will be visiting the Youth Village on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July and will be having a treat day (which will include bowling and the cinema) on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July - more information to follow!

## Year Six Transition

For our Year Six pupils, two transition days will be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Children should come to school wearing their full school uniform.

## Non-Uniform Day - Summer Fayre

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July in preparation for the Summer Fayre on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July. To help us with the preparation for our summer fayre, we would appreciate a donation for the event rather than money as 'payment'. Donations of tombola prizes, sweets and bottles will be most grateful and we would appreciate it if all items could be brought in on Friday. Thank you

## Summer Fayre

Please join us at 2p.m. on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July to enjoy lots of stalls designed and managed by our Year Six pupils; hot dogs; ice cream; face painting; tombola; bouncy castle; and a raffle. The event will finish at 3.30pm when the raffle will be drawn (families will be able to leave before this time if they wish). Pupils who are in Tea Time Club will be able to access the fayre. Please give your name to Mrs. Barnes if you are able to help manning stalls on Thursday or if you are able to come into school on the morning of Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July or

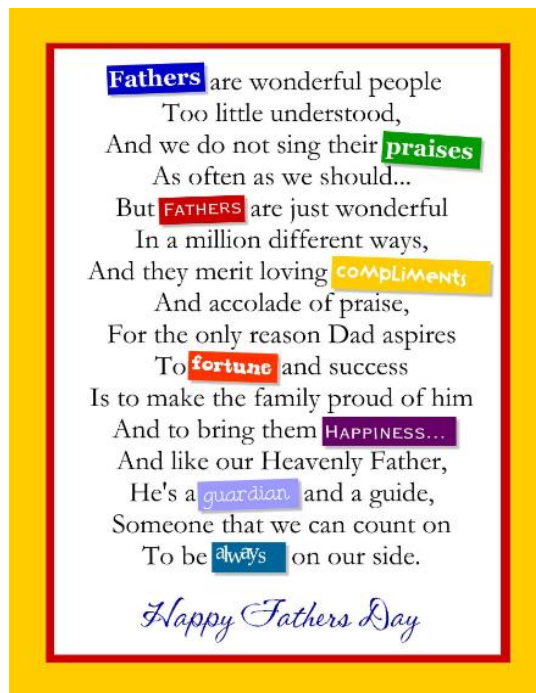
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July to help organise items for the event - many thanks in advance!

### Sun Safety

Please remember to send in a sunhat or cap with your child as the weather improves. If you would like your child to put on sun cream in school, please send it in with their name on. As staff are not allowed to put cream on children, it would be advisable to apply some before they come into school if the weather is predicted to be sunny.

It was lovely to meet the families of the pupils starting in Reception class in September yesterday. As the sun shone, our staff talked and played with the newest members of our family. We were not able to hold an event like this for the past two years and so it was extra special to be able to invite families into school again this way. We are certain that yesterday's meeting was the beginning of a long, positive and successful relationship between us all!

Talking of families, we hope any fathers, grandfathers, brothers, sons, uncles or any other inspirational male in your families enjoy Fathers' Day on Sunday and manage to relax...maybe with breakfast in bed!



Enjoy the long weekend and the sunshine...make the most of it all!

## Looking for a good read?

Aleesha in Year Three recommends:

**Ottoline and the Yellow Cat by Chris Riddell age 7+**

"I am really enjoying reading this book. The main character is Ottoline who likes to solve mysteries; she is quite nosey because everytime she goes into the laundry room, she stands up on the washing basket and listens to other people's conversations through the pipes! My favourite character is Mr. Munroe. He is a mysterious, furry creature (readers do not get to find out who or what exactly Mr. Munroe is at the beginning of the book) who helps Ottoline to collect clues and solve her myseteries. A really interesting part of this book are the illustrations that give a lot of extra information about the story. If you like mysteries, I am sure that you will like this book."





# Dates for Your Diary



Event	Date	Time
School Reopens	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	-
First Holy Communion Preparation Session	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	2p.m.
Year Five First Holy Communion	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	10a.m.
Health Week (Volunteers for Healthy Tuck Shop Tues. & Thurs. please)	Week beginning 27 <sup>th</sup> June	-
Pro Strike Fundraising Event	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	-
Nursery Stay & Play	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	9.15a.m.
Sports Day (weather permitting)	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	-
Reception & Year One visit Deerness	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	-
Key Stage Two First Aid	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	-
Year Six Youth Village	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	-
Reception New Starters Lunch Visit	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	11.15a.m.
Nursery Stay & Play	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15a.m.
Year Two and Three Moor House Adventure Centre	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	-
St. Bede's Transition Days	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	-
First 'Move Up' Afternoon	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	-
Non-Uniform Day (payment for summer fayre)	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	-
Second 'Move Up' Afternoon	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	-
Back Up Sports Day (weather permitting)	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	-
Year Four Water Sports	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	-
Meet the Staff	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	3.30p.m.
Summer Fayre	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	2p.m.
Whole School Beach Trip	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	-
Year Six Treat Day	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	-
Music Assembly - brass	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	9.20a.m.
Leavers' Assembly	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	9.20a.m.
Whole School Leavers' Mass - t.b.c.	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	t.b.c.