

All Saints' Catholic Primary School

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The rain didn't dampen our spirits in school this week as we have continued to try our best at the start of a new year...although, I cannot believe we are at the end of week four already! A particular highlight of the week was our celebration of European Day of Languages. Here is a snapshot of some of the learning that was taking place across school:

EYFS: made Irish soda bread

Year One: did some flamenco dancing

Year Two: learned a traditional Greek dance

Year Three: ate a lot of brie!

Year Four: enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Bradley and then ate ice cream

Year Five: a Polish quiz alongside some food tasting

Year Six: learned some German phrases and tasted some German sausage

Bishop Stephen's Visit to School

Please join with the whole school as Year Five lead us in a Mass of celebration for Bishop Stephen. Year Two will perform a liturgical dance at the end of Mass as a reflection piece. Mass will begin at 10.30am after the Bishop has joined us in school for a special assembly. Everyone is welcome to Mass. Although it is Year Four's Sports Afternoon, we would like to ask that all Year Four pupils come to school dressed in their uniform for Mass with their PE kit in a separate bag – thank you.

Open Morning – Saturday 5th October 10-11.30am

Our EYFS unit will be open from 10 – 11.30am for prospective new families to look around on Saturday 5th October. Again, all are welcome!

Parishioners Invited to Worship

We would love to invite parishioners to our Celebration of the Word every half term. You are invited to join us on Monday 7th October to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Rosary at 8.50am. Our Celebration of the Word will begin at approximately 9am and should last no longer than 30 minutes. Please do come along – you are very welcome in our school.

School Council

Congratulations to our new school council members who are:

Year Three: Esther & Iris

Year Four: Luke & Ellen

Year Five: Emelie & Oliver

Year Six: Imogen & Isla

They will meet throughout the year to promote the voice of the students and lead on school initiatives. How lucky we are to have such an engaged and committed school of pupils!

Year Four Visit to Ushaw Historic House

On Tuesday 8th October, Year Four will visit Ushaw Historic House to

interact with an exhibition of Matisse prints and complete an Arts Award. There will be no cost to the pupils for this visit. They will leave after registration and will return for the usual end of the school day. They will need to bring a packed lunch (lunch will be provided for children in receipt of school meals but they are obviously welcome to bring their own lunch if they prefer). Please ensure your child also has a water bottle with them and are dressed in their uniform, with a warm coat.

Family Consultation Evenings

Our Consultation Evenings are planned for the 15th and 17th October from 3.30 – 5.45pm. As usual, you will be able to view your child's books in the hall and then will be called for your individual appointment with your child's class teacher. Appointments are approximately 10 minutes long and they will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. **This year, we are using Arbor for bookings. Please log on to the app and, on the main page, you will be able to select guardian consultations. Bookings will open this evening at 3pm.** Please select a convenient date and time and contact the school office if you need any support. It is extremely important that families take the opportunity to catch up with their child's teacher to hear about their progress so please do come along on Tuesday or Thursday.

Friends of All Saints' Wine Tasting – Friday 4th October

Our wonderful FoAS have organised a wine tasting event – places are limited so sign up quickly to secure a spot. The leaflet detailing more information and the link to sign up was emailed to you all on last Friday, 18th September.

Pupil Leadership

Well done to our new leaders:

eCadets: Ben, Bill, Emelie, Emily, Blake, Isla, Aleesha, Abi

Worship Leaders: Isla, Aleesha, Abi, Martha Q, Remy, Izzy, Erin, Poppy & Felicity

Reading Ambassadors: Isla, Isla, Max, Amelia, Freddie, Remy, Aleesha, Abigail

Have a happy and safe weekend everyone!

Times Table Rock Stars

Year Group of the Week: **Year Three**

Players of the Week:

1st Lucy (Y4), 2nd Ben (Y3), 3rd Enea (Y4)

Small Saints: news from our nursery

This week in Nursery we have been talking about how sometimes we are happy, sometimes we are sad, sometimes we feel good and that sometimes we don't know how to behave. But...that is okay! We all make mistakes sometimes, even grown-ups! In maths we have been looking at sizes of blocks: big and small or equal. On Wednesday we made and ate apple crumble using the apples we picked last week – it was delicious! We dressed in green, white and orange on Thursday to celebrate Ireland for European Day of Languages. We listened to The Gruffalo in Irish and Irish danced to Riverdance...we really have had a very busy week!

Our Book of the Week: Sometimes by Emma Dodd

Our Song of the week: Baa, Baa, Black Sheep

Reminders:

Open Morning Saturday 5th October 10 – 11.30am

Apply for your primary school places at [Primary school places - Durham County Council](#)

Upcoming dates:

Please see the autumn events list!

This week's scripture: Mark 8: 34 - 35

The theme of the scripture: Follow Me

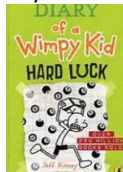
Link to British Values: Mutual Respect

Looking for a good read?

Arlo in Year Four recommends:

Diary of a Wimpy Kid – Hard Luck by Jeff Kinney (age 8+)

"This series of books is all about a character named Greg Heffley. He is on a losing streak and his best friend Rowley has ditched him because he wants to be friends with a girl called Abigail. After some time, it becomes clear that Abigail doesn't seem to like Rowley. Rowley goes to the 'find a friend station' with Mr. Nern. In the end, Greg and Rowley become friends again. This book is very funny because there are hilarious pictures to look at and the author makes the writing funny – even if it is sometimes rude and a little bit weird!"



Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

Mrs. Stephenson; Mrs. Conlin;
Mrs. Dunn; and Mrs. Pearson
Mrs. Turnbull (governor)

Our SENDCO is:

Mrs. Bryant
Mrs. Dunn (governor)

ATTENDANCE

This week's whole school
attendance has been:
96.3%

Our attendance target is 97%



Dates for Your Diary

Event	Date	Time		
Nursery Outdoor Learning every Wednesday				
Year Six swimming each Monday autumn first half term				
School Mass for Bishop's Visit	Wednesday 2 nd October	10.30am		
Year Four Sports Afternoon: PE kit in bag please	Wednesday 2 nd October	-		
Year Two Class Celebration	Friday 4 th October	9am		
Friends of All Saints' - Wine Tasting	Friday 4 th October	6 – 10pm		
EYFS Open Morning – potential new starters	Saturday 5 th October	10-11.30am		
Parishioners Invited to Worship	Monday 7 th October	8.50am		
Year Four Visit Ushaw Historic House	Tuesday 8 th October	-		
Year Four Sports Afternoon	Wednesday 9 th October	-		
Reception & Year Six Welcome Liturgy	Friday 11 th October	2.15pm		
A full list of dates planned so far in autumn term are available on our school website: allsaintslanchester@bwcet.com				
Clubs available this half term:				
Monday Curling Y2 – Y6	Tuesday Fencing Y2 – Y6	Wednesday Young Leaders Y2 – Y5	Thursday Wheelchair Basketball Y3 – Y6	Friday Football Rec – Y2
Sign up on Arbor - £1.50 per session French and Brass available on a lunchtime				
Wrap-around care available from 7.45am – 5pm each day				