

# 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



We've had a lovely week in school with children in all years trying hard to do their best, have fun, be kind and keep a positive mental attitude and we are seeing such wonderful progress. Our children are a privilege to work with everyday!

### School Lunches

I have sent out a Microsoft Survey to you all asking whether, moving forward, you'd think your child would prefer their meals pre-chosen or the chance to choose them at the canteen, on the day. This is a very important poll, and we have 79 responses currently. Please note, I'd like you to complete a separate response for each child in your family. The survey should take no more than 20 seconds and will close on Monday, 5pm. Our new menu should be with you next week!

### Donations – THANK YOU!

Thank you to the families who have recently given donations of money/vouchers to school for books and resources. Many thanks to the parish for the recent donation of supplies...it really means a lot and makes a difference.

### Blue Peter Badges

Thank you to Isla in Year Six for bringing to our attention that all children can apply for a Blue Peter Book Badge! Parents/Guardians must give permission for children to enter the competition so if your child wants to take part, please request the form from school. The deadline for requesting the form is next Friday and then the club will begin after that – thank you! [How to get a Blue Peter Book badge - CBBC](#)

### Swimming Gala

Extremely well done to our swimmers who came third in the swimming gala out of ten teams. Our swimmers were complimented on their teamwork, perseverance and the support they showed each other...what fantastic news!

### Safer Internet Day

Thank you to our Computing Leads who taught the whole school a little more about how to spot 'too good to be true' online scams and to Max who lead a whole school quiz! Following this assembly, there have been a number of interesting conversations taking place in school...well worth it, then!

### Times Table Rockstars

We have seen a notable increase in pupils completing 30 minutes of TTRS per week – thank you for your support with this. It is having a BIG impact in maths lessons and attainment across school!

### Educational Psychology

Please see the attached information regarding drop-in sessions with an Educational Psychologist: the planned events related to anxiety around

school and managing big emotions.

### School Questionnaire: Teacher Tapp

Thank you for giving your views...we now have 72 responses! The deadline to complete is 18<sup>th</sup> February – thank you! The link was emailed to you all on a separate email.

### Valentine's Event for Nursery Pupils

Families are invited to join Nursery at 10am and/or 2pm on Wednesday for a little event which we promised will be packed full of love!

### Valentine's Disco

Our lovely Friends of All Saints' have organised a Valentine's Disco for Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February. Tickets are on sale now for £3 and should be purchased by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February so our FoAS can ensure the tuck shop is adequately stocked! Children will not receive a paper ticket but they will be added to an attendance register. Infant children can bring their outfit into school and can get changed ready for their 3.30 start. Pupils will need collecting from the EYFS yard (like a rainy day) at 4.30pm. The junior disco will begin at 4.45 – 5.45pm. The junior children should come into school by the office door. They should be collected from the EYFS yard also at 5.45pm; no child will be able to walk home following the disco. Each child who attends will get a drink and a packet of crisps – they can bring an extra £2 for the tuck shop if they like!

### Date Change – Nursery Stay and Play

The spring dates on the website state one of the Nursery Stay and Play events are planned for Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 9.15 – 10am. Unfortunately, this date will be moved to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 9.15 – 10am. Thank you for your understanding!

### The King's Head Coffee Socials

Please see attached a message from the King's Head Pub in Lanchester: *We've just launched our weekly coffee socials. Our aim is to create a hub for people of all ages to get together and catch up or meet others in similar situations. We are serving soft drinks alongside hot drinks, cakes and traybakes. Every Wednesday we are opening our doors at 9am for parents to grab a much-needed coffee and catch up with other parents after the school run. Every Thursday from 10:30am we are welcoming parents of preschoolers & their little ones.*

### Times Table Rock Stars

Year Group of the Week: **Six**

Players of the Week:

**1<sup>st</sup> Izzy (Y6), 2<sup>nd</sup> Hannah (Y4), 3<sup>rd</sup> Emily S. (Y5)**

## Small Saints: news from our nursery

This week in Nursery we have been thinking about the people we love for our assembly next week and have painted the most wonderful pictures of those special people. In Maths, we have been investigating capacity and can describe a container as being full or empty and some of us can say if it is nearly full or nearly empty. On Wednesday we checked our bird feeders and were amazed to discover that almost all the bird seed had been eaten! We walked up so quietly we also managed to see some birds on the field before they flew away. Linked to our book of the week, we have enjoyed decorating elephants in the Make and Do area with tissue paper squares and some new paint sticks. It's been another fun filled week in Nursery!

**Our Book of the Week:** Elmer by David McKee

**Our Song of the week:** A special song for our assembly on Wednesday!

**Reminders:** Label your child's belongings please

### Upcoming dates:

Nursery Valentine's Event  
Valentine's Disco

**This week's scripture:** Luke 4: 14-21

**The theme of the scripture:** what is our mission on earth?

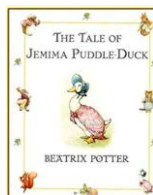
**Link to British Values:** tolerance of different faiths and beliefs

## Looking for a good read?

Lorelei in Year One recommends:

### The Tale of Jemima Puddleduck by Beatrix Potter (age 4+)

"Jemima Puddleduck was not very good at sitting on her eggs because she let a fox help her look after them! Usually foxes don't look after eggs they want to eat them. The fox in this story wanted to crush up the eggs and pop them into an omelette and eat it. At the end of the book, a friendly little dog saved Jemima from the fox but she still loses her eggs. There is good news because she lays more eggs at the end of the story and looks after them herself."



### 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:  
98.3%

**Our attendance target is 97%**



# Dates for Your Diary

Event	Date	Time		
<p>Nursery Outdoor Learning every Wednesday            Year Four swimming each Monday: spring first half term</p>				
Year Six SATs Meeting	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	3.30pm		
Nursery Valentine's Event	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	10am or/and 2pm		
Year Six Sport Afternoon – PE kit please	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	-		
Welcome Meeting FHC Parish Centre– Parents	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	6pm		
Year Two Assembly – all welcome	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	9am		
Valentine's Disco	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	3.30 – 4.30 and 4.45 – 5.45		
Year Two Sport Afternoon – PE kit please	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	-		
Whole School Anxiety Awareness Assembly	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	-		
School Closes for Half Term	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	-		
School Reopens Spring First Half term	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	-		
Year Six SATS Boosters Begin	week beginning 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	-		
Nursery Stay and Play	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15 – 3pm		
Year Four Residential	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	-		
World Book Day	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	-		
Nursery Stay and Play	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	9.15 – 10pm		
Year Three Visit the Winter Gardens	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	-		
<p>A full list of dates planned so far in spring term is available on our school website: <a href="mailto:allsaintslanchester@bwcet.com">allsaintslanchester@bwcet.com</a></p>				
<p><b>Clubs available this half term:</b></p>				
<p><b>Monday</b> Drawing R – Y2</p>	<p><b>Tuesday</b> Fencing Y3 – Y6</p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b> Relax Kids</p>	<p><b>Thursday</b> Show Tunes Y3 – Y6</p>	<p><b>Friday</b> Sports Games Rec – Y2</p>
<p><b>Sign up on Arbor</b></p>				
<p><b>French and Brass available on a lunchtime</b></p>				
<p><b>Wrap-around care available from 7.45am – 5pm each day</b></p>				