

All Saints' Catholic Primary School

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We would like to welcome everyone back to school after the Easter holidays; we hope everyone enjoyed a restful break and made some lovely memories together. This term is an exciting one, full of new learning opportunities, special events and time to enjoy the (hopefully!) warmer weather. Our children have already returned with smiles on their faces this week and continue to show a real enthusiasm for learning; we are looking forward to another busy and happy term together.

Today we were pleased to give our students the chance to **question Luke Akehurst M.P.** about the changes he is making in our constituency and to learn more about his job. Our pupils were thoughtful and interested and keen to have their questions answered thoroughly! We were pleased that our Year Six pupils will have the opportunity to hand Mr. Akehurst their letters requesting further support for child labour across the globe. We are blessed with children who are keen to fight for justice and equity in our world. Building on this, it was a pleasure to hear that Year One's behaviour and knowledge was complemented following their trip to Hartlepool Marina where they spent the day on the **HMS Trincomalee** – fantastic! Yesterday our pupils were introduced to the concept of **peer pressure**: positive, neutral and negative. Please take a moment to ask the children about this! Finally, today our pupils continued to support our **Fairtrade Tuckshop**...happily eating chocolate to help others! Thank you for your ongoing support of All Saints' and the education we provide for our pupils.

Phonics Screening Check: Year One

This is a statutory test for pupils in Year One to assess their phonic ability. This year, the check will take place week beginning Monday 8th June. Mrs. Daniels will be providing more information and some advice/guidance to families on Monday (27th) at 3.30pm. The pupils will be able to remain with another staff member for the duration of the meeting.

Summer Term Dates

These dates were emailed out on Tuesday and are available on our school website. Please note that the children join us in school on Wednesday 2nd September (Tuesday 1st September is a teacher training day). Many thanks.

Uniform including P.E. Kit

This week, pupils have been reminded about the importance of uniform to ensure we're all safe and feel that we belong as part of All Saints' family. May we remind you all that our P.E. kit includes a jade green t-shirt and blue or black shorts or jogging bottoms. Shorts should be of an appropriate length and, if items are branded, this should be no more than a small logo. **If children are not wearing the appropriate uniform for P.E., they will not be able to participate.** School shoes should be worn on days when pupils are not in their P.E. kit and jewellery, nail varnish and make up are also prohibited. Please take this opportunity

to add your child's name to all pieces of their school uniform. This will be a massive help to us!

Spellings and Half Termly Newsletters

The weekly spellings and half termly curriculum newsletters for summer one have been added to the website. Please find them here: [Curriculum – All Saints' Catholic Primary School, Lanchester](#) Your child's weekly spellings will also be on Spelling Shed for you to access if you wish.

Coping Stones: Front of School

The coping stones at the front of school at the bottom of the ramp are not secured at the moment so please do not allow your child to walk on the school wall in case they injure themselves. Many thanks.

Year Three's Swimming

Due to staff training, essential maintenance works and then a bank holiday, Year Three's first swimming lesson will take place on Monday 11th May.

Parking at School

As we continue to work together to keep our school community safe, I would like to remind all families to park carefully and respectfully when dropping off and collecting children. Please ensure entrances, crossings and neighbouring driveways are kept clear at all times. Thoughtful parking helps to protect our pupils, families and local residents. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Please keep voting for us...we could be awarded £1500!

Tesco Stronger Starts – All Saints' are part of the competition!

Consett Genesis Extra DH8 5XP
Annfield Plain Superstore DH9 7UZ
Consett Durham Road Express DH8 8RX

Smallest Saints: our Baby and Toddler Playgroup

We are pleased to invite you to our next baby and toddler playgroup: Smallest Saints which offers a friendly and relaxed environment for young children and their carers to play and socialise. Please tell your friends that our next session is Messy Play and will take place on Tuesday 28th April, 9.15 – 10.15. Everyone is warmly welcome.

Small Saints: news from our nursery

We have loved being back at Nursery this week, playing in the sunshine and welcoming our new friends. We have been very busy, just like the spider in our book of the week. On Wednesday we went on a spider hunt and found a slug, a ladybird, worms and beetles as well as a spider! In RE we played a game spreading good news. In Maths our older children explored number 4, including squares and rectangles and our younger children acted out our song of the week. What a busy first week back...we are so happy to be back together again!

Our Book of the Week: The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle

Our Song of the week: Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer



This week's scripture: Luke 24: 13 - 35

Link to Catholic Social Teaching: [Participation](#)– “We all have the right and duty to participate fully in society.”

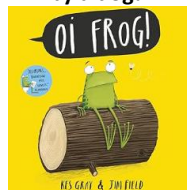
Link to British Values: rule of law

Looking for a good read?

Eddie and Oliver in Reception recommends:

Oi Frog by Kes Gray and Jim Field (age 3+)

“The cat says, “Oi Frog sit on the log.” The frog does not want to sit on the log and the frog tells the cat that he wants to sit on a chair or a mat. This is a rhyming book. A rhyme means there is the same sound at the end of a word. The book says the things that each animal has to sit on like, parrots have to sit on carrots and hares have to sit on chairs. There is a funny ending to the book because the frog gets squashed by a dog!”



Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

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

Our SENDCO is:

Mrs. Bryant
Mrs. Turnbull (governor)

ATTENDANCE

This week's whole school
attendance has been:
96.7%

Our attendance target is 97%



Dates for Your Diary

Event	Date	Time
Nursery Outdoor Learning every Wednesday		
Year Three swimming each Monday: summer first half term (first lesson 11.05.26)		
Parent Workshop for Year One Screening Check	Monday 27 th April	3.30pm
Smallest Saints' Baby & Toddler Group: messy play	Tuesday 28 th April	9.15am
Parishioners invited to Celebration of the Word	Wednesday 29 th April	9am
Y6 Boys' Football Training	Thursday 30 th April	Until 4.30pm
School Closed: Bank Holiday	Monday 4 th May	
Years One and Two Visit Whickham Thorns	Wednesday 6 th May	
Y6 Boys' Football Training	Thursday 7 th May	Until 4.30pm
Year Three's Class Assembly	Friday 8 th May	9am
SATs Week	Monday 11 th May: whole week	
Year Three Begin Swimming Lessons	Monday 11 th May	
Year One's Class Assembly	Friday 15 th May	9am
Year Three Ancient Greeks Workshop	Friday 15 th May	
Years Five and Six Vikings Workshop	Friday 15 th May	
FoAS Bake Sale – after school (more info. to follow)	Friday 15 th May	3.15pm

A full list of dates planned so far in summer term is available on our school website: allsaintslanchester@bwcet.com

Clubs available this half term:

Monday SATS Booster Y6	Tuesday SATS Booster Y6 Drawing Y1 – Y6	Wednesday	Thursday SATS Booster Y6 Building & Construction R – Y2	Friday Football Y1 – Y4
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Sign up on Arbor

French and Brass available on a lunchtime

Wrap-around care available from 7.45am – 5pm each day

Smallest Saints



Baby & Toddler Playgroup

Tuesday 28th April
9.15 – 10.15
Messy Play



Thursday 18th June
9.15 – 10.15
Teddy Bears' Picnic

Wednesday 1st July
9.15 – 10.15
Summer Holidays



Come into All Saints' school and join us to play, sing, explore and have fun...all families welcome!
Newborn children to four years old Free entry Experienced staff
Come along for refreshments and a chance to socialise!