

All Saints' Catholic Primary School

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The sunshine has made the end of the week a happy one! The children and staff continue to work hard, following our **Mission Statement**, and always thinking about how they can become the best version of themselves for their own benefit and for the benefit of others. Thank you to **Year Three who led a fantastic assembly this morning about Ancient Egypt**. They were confident and enthusiastic and demonstrated how much work goes into their learning and assembly preparation. It was wonderful to hear lovely praise about the **perseverance and good behaviour** of our pupils in Year One and Two when they visited **Whickham Thorns earlier** in the week. Our staff said it was a pleasure to witness them supporting one another and working as a team during lots of adventurous activities including indoor climbing, snow tubing and crate stacking – we are so proud!

Year Six SATS Assessments

As we approach next week's SATs, I would like to take a moment to say how incredibly proud we are of our Year Six pupils. They have shown such dedication, resilience and determination and the progress they have made is a credit to their hard work and positive attitude. I know that Mrs. Baum and Mrs. Pearson are thrilled with each and every child.

While these assessments are an opportunity for pupils to showcase their learning, we are clear that they do not define who our children are. Each of our pupils is so much more than a score: we value their kindness, creativity, individuality and the many qualities that make them such fantastic young people.

We wish them calm, confidence and every success next week and invite them to spend this weekend relaxing and enjoying their hobbies, getting outside into the nice weather and spending time with their families.

Wonderful Recognition for Humanities at All Saints'

I am delighted to share with you a very special opportunity for All Saints', specifically for our Humanities lead and Year Five pupils. We have been invited to welcome a professional videographer into school to film a Geography lesson, taught using the Opening Worlds curriculum. This is a wonderful recognition of the high-quality teaching and learning that takes place here every day. The purpose of this filming is to capture examples of excellent classroom practice, which will then be used to support teacher training and professional development. The footage will be shared with teachers across the country who use the Opening Worlds curriculum, helping them to further develop their own teaching. We feel incredibly proud that Mrs. Conlin will represent the excellent standard of teaching evident here, and that our pupils can play a part in supporting the learning of others nationally.

Cake Sale: Friday 15th May

Our Friends of All Saints' have arranged a cake sale for Friday 15th May to raise funds for school. We would greatly appreciate any cake

contributions on Friday please (no nuts please and if cakes are homemade, please also send in the ingredients). We very much appreciate your support. All items will be sold for 50p each (children can bring a maximum amount of £1 each to spend). Any remaining cakes that are not sold at breaktime will be available on the yard at the end of the day. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our FoAS volunteers for their continued commitment to supporting us.

Summer Disco

A summer disco has been planned for Friday 22nd May. Tickets are now on sale - £3 each and the price of a ticket includes a drink and a hotdog... There will also be a tuck shop available (children can bring a maximum of £2 to spend here). This will be a fun-filled event and a lovely way to end the half term! Tickets can be bought from the school office but please note, children won't be provided with a physical ticket. The infant disco will take place from 3.30 – 4.30pm (they can bring in an outfit to change into at the end of the day) and the junior disco will take place from 4.45 – 5.45pm.

Individuals Accessing the School Field on a Weekend

We have become aware of a group of people accessing our school field at the weekend. It is important, for the safety of our pupils, that access to the field is arranged during school time, by school staff. If you see any groups on our field, I would appreciate it if you reported this on the non-emergency police number of 101. Thank you for your support!

Nursery and Reception Open Morning

We invite all families who would like to look around our wonderful EYFS provision on Sunday 5th July 10-11.30am. Please note, you can apply for a place for our Nursery provision from your child turning two. Please contact us for an application form or to organise a visit – thank you.

Lanchester Brass Band Concert

The Lanchester Brass Band Concert planned for Sunday 24th May 6.30pm will launch six months of celebrations to mark one hundred years of our beautiful church building. The celebrations will culminate with Centenary Mass of the Opening of our Beautiful Church on 1st November, with Bishop Stephen. Please see the attached poster for more information about the brass band and keep an eye out, over the coming months, for many special events – many thanks!

Times Table Rock Stars

Year Group of the Week: **Five**

Players of the Week:

1st Grace (Y4), 2nd Luke B. (Y5), 3rd Erin (Y6)

Small Saints: news from our nursery

In Nursery we have been find out about being a good friend and how we try to be a good friend just like Jesus, our role model. We have also been talking about ways to keep ourselves safe, both inside and outside. Pantosaurus has helped us learn that privates are private, and we know at least two trusted adults we can tell any worries to. Finally, we said goodbye to our frog after watching it grow from frogspawn to tadpole to froglet...how wonderful that we got to experience this!

Our Book of the Week: Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? By Bill Martin Jr. and Eric Carle

Our Song of the week: Five Currant Buns in the Baker's Shop



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: democracy

Looking for a good read?

Freddie in Year Six recommends:

The Land of Roar by Jenny Mclachlan (age 9+)

“This is the first book in a three book series. After climbing through an orange camp bed shouting, “Hear me roar,” a set of twin siblings named Arthur and Rose, found themselves in a magical world created from their own imagination from when they were toddlers. It includes a half scarecrow, half crow called Crowky, Arthur’s imaginary friend called Win and Rose’s dragons named Vlad and Pickle. Their grandfather is kidnapped by Crowky and taken to his lair, the Crow’s Nest, within a dungeon. They have to rescue him within 72 hours (as this is the age of their granddather). I liked The Land of Roar because I love reading fantasy and this is a book which includes a lot of imaginary, fantastical creatures.”



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:

97%

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				
SATs Week	Monday 11 th May: whole week			
Year Three Begin Swimming Lessons	Monday 11 th May			
Opening Worlds Film Year Five Geography	Thursday 14 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		
Year Five Bike Ability	Monday 18 th May			
Year Four Attend Mass inc. FHC preparation	Thursday 21 st May	9.30am		
Year Two Stoneage Workshop	Friday 22 nd May			
Year Four's Class Assembly	Friday 22 nd May	9am		
Year Three Visit the Centre for Life	Friday 22 nd May			
Fair Trade Tuckshop	Friday 22 nd May			
FoAS Summer Disco	Friday 22 nd May	Infants 3.30 – 4.30 Juniors 4.45- 5.45		
School Closes for Half Term	Friday 22 nd May			
School Reopens for Summer Second Half Term	Monday 1 st June			
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
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 in to 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!