



ALL SAINTS CARSHALTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2016
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Dear Parents,
Welcome to the November Newsletter!



Confirmation

A number of Year 6 children are preparing for Confirmation on Sunday 13 November which will be held at Carshalton All Saints. Times will follow, should you wish to join them on this very special occasion for the children and their families.

Charities

We had a large number of presentations for a variety of charities, local, national and international this year. The children have chosen two charities, one local and one further afield to support and they are St Helier Hospital and Water Aid. The children have already planned ideas to raise money for these very worthwhile charities. Please pencil the following dates into your diaries or calendars:

Thursday 24 November - Cake Sale after school - Water Aid
Friday 16 December - Christmas Jumper Day - St Helier Hospital
Friday 10 February - Onesie Day - Water Aid
Friday 24 March - Mothering Sunday Gift Event - St Helier Hospital
Friday 26 May - Doctors and Nurses Day - St Helier Hospital
Friday 16 June - Fathers' Day Gift Event - Water Aid

PTA

We are extremely fortunate to have such an active and supportive group of parents and I am sure they will have another really successful year. There are quite a few PTA events coming up and I hope you have the dates in your diaries. If not, here they are below;

- Christmas Shopping Evening - Thursday 10 November 7.00pm-10.00pm
- Ball in the Fall - Saturday 12 November
- Christmas Fair - Saturday 3 December 12.00pm-3.00pm (*There will be a Mufti day on Friday 2 December, please see details below*)
- Children's Discos on Friday 3 February 2017 (details to follow).

The PTA AGM took place last month and I would like to confirm that Maxine Dagnall will continue in the post of Chair and Heather Heward as Vice Chair for the coming year. We are delighted to Claire Coppin as Treasurer and thank Wendy Robinson for her hard work as Treasurer last year. We wish all the committee well with their ventures this year (old and new) and know that you will give them your continued support during the year ahead.

Christmas Fair Mufti Day - Friday 2 December

Children will be able to wear their own clothes on this day in return for donating a bottle (or two!) to the bottle tombola for the Christmas Fair. The weather has turned cold and so sensible winter clothing should be worn, including a warm coat for break time. Please send in bottles that are drinkable (no bubble bath). Staff will be collecting the Infant bottles in the playground, so please ensure that your child's bottle is not taken to the school office. Junior children will be expected to bring their own bottle into school via the Junior playground. If your child is in the Nursery, the PTA has requested that they bring cakes for the refreshment stall, instead of a bottle. The PTA and the sub-committee have been working really hard to ensure that this is another wonderful community event. Please support it in any way you can. Thank you in anticipation.



Dick Whittington

The PTA is again very kindly funding the pantomime for all children from Reception to Year 6. They will be treated to a performance of Dick Whittington by Mance Productions on the morning of Wednesday 14 December. The PTA is also funding the entertainer for the Nursery party on Wednesday 21 December.



Christmas! (Preparations are already taking place!)

The Nursery Nativity, for all the children, Ducklings and Cygnets, will be performed on the morning of Wednesday 7 December. Further information will follow in the Nursery weekly newsletter.



The Infant Nativity (performed by Puffins, Sparrows, Chaffinches, Woodpeckers, Skylarks and Wrens) will take place on Tuesday 6 December at 2.00pm and at 9.30am on Thursday 8 December. The performances usually last up to an hour, which makes them unsuitable for pre-school children who quickly tire of sitting still and become restless. This distracts the performers on the stage as well as the audience.

As with our Parent Evenings, parents will be able to book a total of two seats, one for each performance or two for one of the performances via the online booking system. There will not be any additional seats available as we now have more children and parents in the Infant department.

There will be a collection for our chosen charities at the end of each performance.

Year 3 and 4 Greek Day



On the last Tuesday before half term, Year 3 and 4 arrived at school eager for Greek Day! Everyone from Zeus, to Achilles was in attendance...not forgetting our hero Odysseus! Dressed in some incredible costumes, all children participated in craft making in the morning; making masks, shields and laurel wreaths. In the afternoon a great Greek performance was enjoyed, followed by a fantastic feast where everyone sampled typical Greek foods. We all enjoyed fantastic acting and poetry from different classes and thoroughly enjoyed trying new foods. Thank you for all your support in making this day a great experience for all children.



Flu Immunisation

The Children's Immunisation Team will be visiting the school to deliver flu vaccinations through a nasal spray for children in **Year 1 and 2 on Monday 21 November (amended date)**. A leaflet about this program is available on the school website.

<http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/flu-campaign/Pages/children-flu-vaccine.aspx>

Sports News:

The Cross Country club started on the 5 October which was World Marathon Day. The children ran a continuous relay of 5,000m in a time of 17min 45sec which was entered on the world website.



The Borough Cross Country competition takes place this Thursday- Good luck to all the children taking part.

Football:

The A team's first match was away to Holy Trinity which was a very highly scoring 8-5. The B team was away to Green Wrythe losing 7-0. Both teams played very well and gave their all against two very strong opponents.

We entered two teams in a Year 5 tournament at Cheam Park Farm with both teams coming joint 3rd; the A team just having a larger goal difference. The A team went through to the finals against much bigger schools where they drew 4 matches and only lost 1. Well done to everyone who took part, especially the Year 4 children who made up the 2 teams.



Christmas Lunch - Friday 16 December



The Christmas Menu is: Roast turkey, sausages, roast potatoes, Brussel sprouts, peas, carrots and gravy followed by one of Mrs Bramble's legendary puddings. There will be a vegetarian option available to those children registered as such.

We are trying a new method regarding Christmas lunch which we hope it will be easier. This year we are making the assumption that all children will have a Christmas lunch. If you **do not** want your child to have a Christmas lunch please email the school office by Friday 25 November. If your child is in Juniors and usually has a packed lunch you will need to visit ParentPay to make payment of £2.20.

Parking

Please consider the option to 'park and stride' and allow enough time before school to find a suitable parking place. Parking is available at Westcroft or in Ashcombe Road on the other side of Carshalton Park, both of which are just a short walk away.

Message from the office

Thank you very much to the parents who have already paid the contribution to the 'Just Joshing' performance and the Gamelan Orchestra, however there are still a number of payments outstanding. We would be very grateful if you could please make sure that these are paid as soon as possible.

Please see below letter from the School Nursing team. We hope you find this information helpful.

Thank you for reading the Newsletter.

Mrs Emma Hart Dyke - Headteacher

Future Term Dates

Autumn Term 2016

(Last Day) - Wednesday 21 December 2016

Spring Term 2017

Tuesday 3 and Wednesday 4 January - INSET Days

(First day) - Thursday 5 January - (Last Day) - Friday 31 March 2017

Half Term - Monday 13 - Friday 17 February 2017

Summer Term 2017

Tuesday 18 April - INSET Day

(First day) - Wednesday 19 April - (Last Day) - Friday 21 July 2017

Half Term - Monday 29 May - Friday 2 June 2017

Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 2016	
Monday 31 October	Swimming starts for Years 4 - Willow and Oak
Tuesday 1 November	All Saints Day Service (Years 1 - 6) - 2.00pm
Wednesday 9 November	Worship lead by Pam and Sarah
Thursday 10 November	PTA Shopping Night - 7.00 - 10.00pm
Friday 11 November	Minute Silence for Remembrance
Saturday 12 November	PTA Ball in the Fall - Selsdon Manor
Monday 14 November	Year 6 Height and Weight
Monday 14 November	Last day for Samaritan's Purse Shoe Box collection.
16 - 18 November	Year 5 Residential to High Ashurst
Wednesday 16 November	Prospective Parents Meeting - 2.00pm
Thursday 17 November	Prospective Parents Meeting - 10.00am
Monday 21 November	Flu Immunisations Years 1/2/3 - 11am (amended date)
Thursday 24 November	Cake Sale after school - Water Aid
Monday 28 November	Year 2 - Discover Christmas - pm
Tuesday 29 November	Parents' Evening - 3.40pm - 6.40pm
Thursday 1 December	Parents' Evening - 4.00pm - 7.30pm
Friday 2 December	Mufti Day - bring a bottle for the Christmas Fair
Saturday 3 December	PTA Christmas Fair - 12.00 - 3.00pm
Monday 5 December	Last swim for Year 4 - Willow and Oak
Monday 5 December	Last week for Clubs
Tuesday 6 December	Infant Production - 2.00pm
Wednesday 7 December	Nursery Nativity for all the children in the morning only - see details
Thursday 8 December	Infant Production - 9.30am
Thursday 8 December	Year 6 Evacuee Afternoon - 2.00pm - 3.00pm
Tuesday 13 December	Year 6 TFL Safety and Citizen Presentation am
Tuesday 13 December	Animal Day 1.00-2.00pm & 2.00pm-3.00pm
Wednesday 14 December	Pantomime - paid for by the PTA
Friday 16 December	Astrodome to Year 5
Friday 16 December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 16 December	Christmas Jumper Day - St Helier Hospital
Tuesday 20 December	Junior Carol Service - 6.30pm
Wednesday 21 December	Nursery Party for all children - am
Wednesday 21 December	Last day of term - children break up 1.30pm
Spring Term 2017	
Tuesday 3 January	INSET Day
Wednesday 4 January	INSET Day
Thursday 5 January	Children back to school
Monday 9 January	First swim
Mon 9 - Fri 13 January	Year 6 Cycle Training
Wednesday 11 January	Pam and Sarah Assembly
Thursday 12 January	Reception/Year 1 Dental Survey
Thursday 19 January	Junior Choir to the O2 (those who have signed up)
Wednesday 1 February	Sparrows Class Assembly - 9.10am
Thursday 2 February	Candlemas Service (Years 1 - 6) - 2.00pm at All Saints Church
Friday 3 February	PTA Discos - details to follow)
Monday 6 February	Year 4 Educational visit to the British Museum
Wednesday 8 February	Oak Class Assembly - 9.10am
Friday 10 February	Onesie Day - Water Aid
Mon 13 - Fri 17 February	Half - Term

What do School Nurses do?

School Nurses are registered nurses who have professional experience in supporting the health needs of all school aged children. They work as part of a skill mix team of specialist practitioners, school staff nurses, nursery nurses and support workers. They continue the work of the Health Visitor in promoting good health and prevention of illness in the school aged population. This is in line with the Department of Health 'Healthy Child Programme'.

The school nursing team works with parents, carers, children and young people of school age providing advice and support on areas such as:

- Parenting
- Children with special needs and complex health needs
- Sleep/behaviour
- Allergies and asthma
- Development
- Eating problems
- Alcohol, drugs and smoking
- Emotional and mental health issues
- Sexual health and relationships

What else can your School Nurse team offer?

- National Child Measurement Programme
- PSHE in schools
- Enuresis clinics
- Supporting health needs in school
- Safeguarding
- Healthy weight programme
- Confidential health advice
- Home visits
- Referral to other specialists

When to expect to see your School Nurse team

Your school nurse will contact you at the following stages:

When your child starts in

- **Reception** – we will ask you to fill in a health questionnaire about your child's health. We will also ask for your consent to see your child in school to be weighed and measured. If you identify that your child has some health needs, we will contact you to discuss further and possibly arrange to meet with you.
- **Year 6** – we will offer you the opportunity to have your child weighed and measured again
- **Year 7** – we will ask you to fill in a health questionnaire, much the same as we did when your child started Primary School
- **Year 10** – you and your child will be sent a health questionnaire
- **In addition:** A member of the School Nursing team may meet with you at the school's parent/teacher afternoons and evenings
Drop Ins are offered in all High Schools for young people to access their School Nurse

You can contact us at any time to discuss your child or young person's health needs. Other contacts will occur according to individual need

Who do we work with?

We often work with other agencies in the best interests of families, including, education staff, GPs, health visitors, speech therapists, hospital staff, therapists and both children and adult social services.

We may share confidential information with these agencies with your consent. We will only share information without permission when we have a duty of care due to serious concerns about the welfare or safety of a child or young person.

Healthy Child Programme

Your community

All communities offer a range of services for children and families. Parent's and carers are welcome to access the school nurse at school, children's centres and other community locations or the school nurse may visit your family at home.

Universal services

The school nursing team provides the Healthy Child Programme to promote healthy lifestyles for children, young people and their families. They offer support through a variety of public health initiatives, both in school and the local community.

Universal plus

The school nursing team offers a swift response to specific health concerns, long term issues and additional health needs. They provide care plans for children in schools who have conditions such as diabetes, allergies, epilepsy and other health needs. The team also ensures that school staff have sufficient training to safely support your child or young person in school.

Universal partnership plus

School nurses support children, families and young people with complex physical and emotional health needs over a period of time in collaboration with other services, including specialist health services, the local authority, Youth Justice System and voluntary organisations.

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