

Newsletter

Friday 16th October 2020

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of another week at All Souls'- we all cannot quite believe how quickly the weeks are passing us by!

We can certainly see how hard the children are working with all of their learning and we are beginning to see some fantastic work on displays in classrooms. All the staff are also working hard ensuring that any 'lost learning' is being caught up and gaps are being filled. They have all enjoyed speaking to you over this past week to talk about your children's learning. Even in this unusual times, we need to work together to support your children's learning as best as we can. Partnerships between school and home are vital to enhance learning.

We have been notified that we will be having a 'COVID spot check' visit on Monday at 1pm from the Health and Safety Executive. They have been visiting lots of schools in the area over the past few weeks. They may come out to see the process for parents collecting children at the end of the day- please continue to maintain social distancing when queuing to collect your children, this is even more important now as we are seeing a rise in cases across the country- thank you for your support with this.

I wish you all a very happy weekend, fingers crossed the weather is kinder to us all!

Kind regards, Mrs Ransley



This year we have had to look at fundraising ideas whilst ensuring we remain safe following government guidelines. Our goal is to raise funds to improve the outside area for the children at school. We will keep you informed of our efforts by updating our fundraising thermometer, which will be located near reception and we hope you can support us in our efforts.

Our first fundraising event will be a non-uniform day on the last day of term (Thursday 22nd October). We will be holding a tag day on the last day of each term and we are asking for a £1 donation. We will have collection buckets at the school gate. Children in Years 1 and 2 are invited to dress as Super Heroes if they wish to coincide with their learning topic.

TAG DAY

To support our efforts with the outdoor space we are looking for someone with green fingers who can help us with our planters. We are happy to supply the materials, if anyone is happy to volunteer their time. Please let us know, thank you!



Please can we remind you that parents/carers are required to telephone the school on the morning of the first day of absence, **and any subsequent days thereafter** providing a reason for the absence.

To make reporting your child's absence as easy as possible, please call us on 01303 275967 and select **Option 1** to leave a recorded message. Alternatively email office@allsouls.kent.sch.uk
Thank you

Time to Reflect

We have been learning about Samuel and how he listened to God.

How can we be good listeners?

listening means taking a second to consider what they're saying, not just hearing their words.

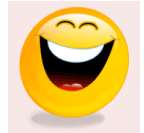
Year 6 Parents

Please note that all Secondary School Applications need to be submitted by midnight on 2nd November 2020. Please apply online at <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places#tab-2>



If you would like to order your child's school photo, please ensure you return it to the school by **Monday 19th October** at the latest. Late returns are charged an additional £3.50 per order so we do not want you to incur this extra cost.

Joke of the Week



Where do cows go on a Friday night?

The Moo..vies!

Jack B (Penguins)



We will be holding open days on Saturday 24th October and Saturday 7th November for all new Year R admissions in September 2021, 10am-3pm. Please telephone the school on 01303 275967 to book your allocated slot.

We look forward to seeing you and showing you around our school.

Parents can apply for a school place online at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions from 5th November until the closing date of 15th January 2021.

Flu Immunisation Reminder

The nasal flu vaccination is being offered to all children at this school on Monday 9th November 2020. A letter has been emailed to all parents/carers. Please ensure you complete your online consent by 6th November 2020. Full details are available on the school website.

School Dinners

We are delighted to confirm that from Term 2 school dinners no longer need to be booked in advance. Your child can choose daily whether they wish to be packed lunch or school dinner.

A menu is available on the school website.

Packed Lunches

Please can we remind you that sweets are not to be packed in lunches and we are also a "nut" free school. Thank you.



Parents' Evening

It's been a pleasure to talk to so many of you and we look forward to completing the rest of the calls next week. It's been unusual circumstances and we want to thank you for your understanding and support.

If you haven't yet booked and would like to do so, please call the office and we will be happy to do this for you.

Please note that the office telephone will be unavailable during the above times. If you have an urgent message, please email office@allsouls.kent.sch.uk

Normal opening hours for the school office are 8am-3.45pm Monday to Thursday and 8am-3.15pm on Fridays.



If your child participates in any extra curricular activities, outside of school, we would love to hear about them.

Black History Month

01.10.20-31.10.20

Black History Month provides an exciting opportunity to investigate and recognise the contributions people of African and Caribbean descent have made to our country and beyond.

We would like you to create a poster or fact file about a significant individual and the impact they have had on our world. Please return your finished posters or fact files to school so we can create a display of them.

Below are some ideas of people you could research but you are free to choose anyone that interests you.

Many thanks

www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk



Rosa Parks



Martin Luther King



Walter Tull



Mary Seacole



Barak Obama



Beyonce



Learie Constantine

Black History Month runs throughout October and is an exciting chance to learn more about the amazing contributions people of African and Caribbean descent have made to our communities. We are setting you a home challenge to find out about some of these inspiring individuals. Full details can be found in the Home Learning section on the school website.

School Term and Inset Dates 2020-2021

Term 1

Start of the term – Thursday 3rd September 2020
Last Day of the term – Thursday 22nd October 2020

Term 2

Start of the term – Monday 2nd November 2020
Last Day of the term – Thursday 17th December 2020

Term 3

Start of the term – Tuesday 5th January 2021
Last Day of the term – Friday 12th February 2021

Term 4

Start of the term – Monday 22nd February 2021
Last Day of the term – Thursday 1st April 2021

Term 5

Start of the term – Monday 19th April 2021
Last Day of the term – Friday 28th May 2021

Term 6

Start of the term – Monday 7th June 2021
Last Day of the term – Wednesday 21st July 2021

INSET DAYS

- Tuesday 1st September 2020**
- Wednesday 2nd September 2020**
- Friday 23rd October 2020**
- Friday 18th December 2020**
- Monday 4th January 2021**
- Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2021**