

Newsletter

Week Ending 4th April 2025

What's been happening in our school...?



A few words from our Headteacher Mr Brown:

Our final week in term has seen so much activity of which I am enormously proud! Firstly a huge thank you to everyone who took part in the sponsored read with more than £1500 raised so far, all of which will be spent on books for our library directly impacting on every pupil in school. Thank you so much for your support.

Talking of support - thank you to the PTA for organising the sweet jar competition which was won by Samuel in Year 6 - well done Samuel! I cannot emphasise enough how important our PTA is. They raise much needed funds for the school which impacts on every child and they are desperate for your support. Please approach Zoe or Kirstie and ask how you can get involved (email: asptamaldone@gmail.com). Without them we would not be able to offer all that we do as a school, their support of an ever dwindling school budget is proving evermore vital. Events like school discos and summer fetes would no longer be possible without them. I have heard recently of other schools where the PTA has had to cease due to lack of support, but I'm confident with the strength of our school community, that hopefully it won't ever be the case here. Come and join the PTA at their meetings and see what small part you can play in helping them.

I think you'll agree that the children were brilliant in the Easter Service this morning and as well as celebrating Easter we were also able to bid a fond farewell to Maisie. She has been a much loved member of our school since starting in reception and she is now making the transition to her next school as a Year 6 pupil. We wish her well in her future adventures and continued learning.

Finally I'd like to wishing all our families a very happy Easter. I look forward to welcoming everyone back for the start of the summer term on Tuesday 22nd April.

Best wishes

Mr Brown

Please keep reading for more important info and news.....

THE SPORTS PAGES

TAG RUGBY AT DRAPERS



"I was quite often told I was too small to play rugby, but I always liked the adversity and to prove people wrong" *Rob Burrow*

A tough competition for both LKS2 and UKS2 teams. No first prizes but there were still plenty of medals and trophies for taking part. The children showed great spirit and determination to prove All Saints' really do embrace everything that is thrown at them! A great moment of sportsmanship was the spontaneous applause from the year 5 and 6 children welcoming the LKS2 squad back into school. You could see how it lifted their spirits and made them feel like heros - which you all were! These sporting experiences (with or without triumph and trophies) are part of what makes us see how you all shine. Well done everyone!



"I was quite shy and relatively timid, but rugby gave me the confidence to be a little bit more out-going and back myself a bit more" *Brian O'Driscoll*

FOOTBALL - BEACON HILL ROVERS



What a close and toughly fought battle! To come second in such a strong field of competitors was amazing and you should all be proud of what you achieved. Not every competition ends in victory, sometimes the victory is the success of working as a strong and supportive team, enjoying the energy of the game and being a part of that challenge. What a superb squad - well done All Saints'!

Drama Club Opening Night



One of the after school clubs we provide is drama club. Miss Cooch and Mrs Miles work wonders within a short space of time to produce and direct a showcase for the rest of the school and the drama club children's parents. This time it was Alice In Wonderland and the company of actors really were superstars. As Mr Brown said, could this be a path to a bright future in entertainment? In fact a character in Eastenders (Barney Mitchell) attended All Saints' School just 8 years ago and look where his love of drama has taken him! But as we know, the experience of being on stage is a tiny part of the creation of entertainment. There are so many aspects that the children were involved in and enjoyed. It was great to see the children's joy in being part of this fantastic production.



KS1 Medieval Day Brave Knights in Training



Look at these brave knights earning their credentials for the battlefield. We saw some absolutely brilliant costumes in KS1 including many hand drawn coats of arms which were very creative. This was a day of physical endurance, of working together and creating some amazing things. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. Let's hope when the King calls on you for service, you are ready to do your duty!



Musician corner:

**Congratulations to our
fabulous musicians who took
exams this term:**

Barnaby Grade 1 Trumpet -
merit

Katie Grade 1 Saxophone -
merit

Ted Grade 2 Drums -
distinction

Elowen Grade 3
Violin - distinction





The hotly anticipated House Music Competition took place this week and was won by the house of St Andrews. The judges were treated to a variety of sensational songs performed by the four school houses and it was almost too hard to choose between them. The joy of music really did travel into every corner of the school. We give sincere thanks to Mrs Chilver, to our esteemed judges and all those children who gave it their all. Could we be seeing some of you performing on the stage professionally one day.....??? Maybe, Definitely Maybe.

Life Exhibition

Provided by Fullbridge Church

The Life Exhibition is a fully immersive multi-media experience designed to help children access RE in a new and exciting way. The Year 5 & 6 children were extremely lucky to be invited along to expand their knowledge and to be inspired and challenged. Well done to all the children who proved again how easy they find it to adapt with enthusiasm to modern ways of learning.



APRIL

- 22 - Children return to school
- 22 - Year 5/6 Netball Tournament at Chelmer Park
- 23 - Rehearsal for music festival (in choir) 3.15-4.15pm
- 24 - SATs Parents Information Meeting in school 6.30pm
- 26 - Southminster Competitive Festival of Music - KS2 Choir at 12.15pm
- 29 - ACL 4 Week Course: Mums of Boys aged 5-11, music room

MAY

- 5 - Bank Holiday
- 7 - Year 5/6 Swimming Gala at St Johns Primary (details tbc)
- 12-15 - SATS Week Year 6
- 14 - Year 3/4 visit to Moot Hall
- 22 - Year 5/6 10-a-side Rounders Tournament
- 23 - 5.00-6.30PM EYFS/KS1 Party
- 23 - 7.00-9.00PM KS2 School Disco
- 26 - Bank Holiday
- 26 - 30 - Half Term Holiday

JUNE

- 2 - Children return to school
- 3 - ACL Smart Cooking Course, music room
- 4 Carmel Jane in school for class photos
- 10 - ACL 1 week course: Smart Keeping Safe Online, music room
- 12 - Road Safety Presentations for Year 5 and EYFS
- 9-13 - Year 6 Hilltop Residential (details tbc)
- 17 - ACL 1 Week Course: Terrific Transitions to secondary school, music room
- 21 - School Summer Fete
- 23 - Yr3/4 trip to Thorndon Park for Otters and Foxes
- 24 - ACL Money Matters Course, music room
- 30 - EYFS Boydells Farm Visit (details tbc)
- 30 - Yr3/4 trip to Thorndon Park for Badgers

JULY

- 1 - ACL 1 Week Course Terrific Transitions to EYFS, music room
- 2 - Summer Music Concert 5pm (details tbc)
- 3 - Whole School Sports Day - details tbc
- 4 - Kwik Cricket Festival at Maldon Rugby Club - details tbc

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The Big Easter Quiz

No prizes for the most correct answers – just the glory of being an Easter Trivia Expert! Answers on the next page of the Newsletter.

1. Why do Christians celebrate Easter Sunday?

- a. Because it was when Jesus was crucified
- b. Because Sunday is a day of rest and the last day of the week
- c. Because it was when Jesus was resurrected



2. What is the nation's favourite chocolate bar?

- a. Kitkat
- b. Dairy Milk
- c. Twix



3. What is the nation's favourite way to eat eggs?

- a. Hard-boiled
- b. Poached
- c. Scrambled



4. What does Good Friday honour?

- a. The day Jesus was crucified
- b. The day Jesus was resurrected
- c. The day Jesus ate his last supper



5. Who - or what - brings eggs to French children?

- a. The Easter bunny
- b. Flying church bells
- c. Easter chicks



6. How many Easter eggs are bought and consumed in the UK each year?

- a. 80 million
- b. 8 million
- c. 18 million



7. Where is the best place to store your chocolate?

- Warning This one could be controversial!

- a. In the fridge
- b. In a cool, dark area
- c. In a warm and sunny space



Important Diary Dates
Please note these may be subject to change

JULY Continued

8 - Reserve date for School Sports Day in case of bad weather
10 - 9.15 Year 5/6 production to parents, performance 1 (details tbc)
10 - 7pm - Year 5/6 production to parents, performance 2 (details tbc)
11 - Year 6 Leavers BBQ and Party
16 - Leavers Service at All Saints Church
18 - Leavers Assembly to parents in school (details tbc)
21 & 22 - NON-PUPIL DAYS
23 Jul School Holidays

SEPTEMBER

1 and 2 - NON-PUPIL DAYS
3 - Children return to school

OCTOBER

24 - NON-PUPIL DAYS
27-31 - Half term holiday

DECEMBER

22 - 2 JAN School Holidays

JANUARY

5 Jan - NON-PUPIL DAY
6 Jan - Children return to school

FEBRUARY

5 - Year 5 Life Saving Roadshow Part 1
16 - 20 Feb School Holidays
23 - Children return to school
24 - Open Afternoon and Enrichment Homework on display in school hall
26 - Year 5 Life Saving Roadshow Part 2

MARCH

5 - Year 6 Life Saving Roadshow Part 1
12 - Year 6 Life Saving Roadshow Part 2
30-10 APRIL School Holidays

APRIL

3 - Good Friday
6 - Easter Monday
13 - Children return to school

POLITE REMINDERS...



Hilltop
Year 6 Residential Trip
June 9-13 2025



THE TOTAL BALANCE IS NOW OVERDUE



If you haven't already paid the £2 towards the Life Saving training (completed by our Year 5 and 6 students) you can do so via our School Gateway App.

LKS2 Remaining Events for the Spring Term



THE TOTAL COST OF £29.50 IS DUE NOW PLEASE (INCLUDES 3 EVENTS)

May 14th - Moot Hall Visit
June 23rd/30th - Thorndon Country Park trips

Permission and monies outstanding for all school trips can be paid via the School Gateway App. You can also pay by cash directly to the school office (exact money only please as the school does not have change). If you have any questions or require further help, please contact the school office directly (either in person, by phone or on email).



Need to contact the school?

Tel: 01621 853519

Email: admin@allsaintsprimaryschoolmaldon.co.uk



Quiz Answers 4.a

1.c 5.b

2.b 6.a

3.c 7.b



Thank you for all your help we really couldn't do it without you!

Lots of the events the school arranges or which we are invited to require help from parent volunteers. This could be chaperoning children on a Church visit, listening to readers in school, sponsoring children to read lots of pages at home or transporting children to and from sporting events. We really couldn't provide such a diverse and rich mix of activities, experiences and opportunities for the children without this vital support. Thanks to all of you who are able to give your valued time. Please know that every shout you make from a touchline, every penny you spend at a PTA event and every child you take to an event makes a real difference. We have a great school community and we feel incredibly lucky and thankful to all of you!

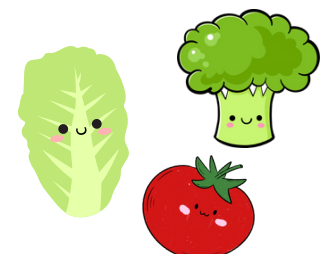


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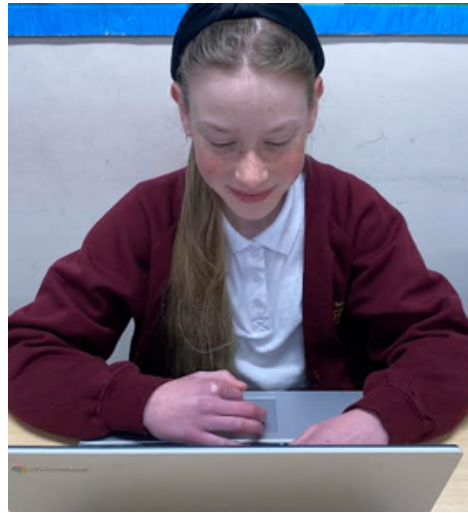
The PTA is a group of lovely parents that work super hard to "make stuff happen". They create events that generate extra money for us to use on all the children in school. This might be discos, the summer fete, the Christmas fayre, the book swap or even the sweetie-tub competition! In the current financial climate we could all do with a little help and that includes the school. We are hoping some of you could help us with a little bit of your time, maybe even some of your brilliant ideas. You only have to give as much time as you are able to and there is no expectation of ongoing commitments if this is something that you can't do. But if you do have the time, or some great ideas you think it might be good for us to try, please get in touch with Zoe or Kirstie from the PTA. Their email address is: asptamaldon@gmail.com and they would LOVE to hear from you.

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Fresh Meatballs & Pasta served with Garlic Bread	Pork Sausage with Mash Potato Gravy optional	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding and Roast Potatoes with Gravy and Stuffing optional	Pulled Pork in a Roll with Potato Wedges BBQ Sauce optional	Fish and Chips Ketchup optional
Vegetarian	Vegetable Balls & Pasta served with Garlic Bread VF	Vegetable Sausage with Mash Potato Gravy optional VF	Roasted Vegetables Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes with Gravy and Stuffing optional VF	Vegetable Burger in a Roll with Potato Wedges BBQ Sauce optional	Vegetable Fingers and Chips Ketchup optional VF
Vegetables	Olives	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Carrots Green Beans	Coleslaw	Beans Peas
Alternative	Bread roll filled with Ham, Cheese or Egg	Hot Pasta with Tomato Sauce Toppings of the Day VF	Hot Roast Roll	Hot Pasta with Tomato Sauce Toppings of the Day VF	Bread roll filled with Ham, Cheese or Egg
Salad Bar	Grated Carrot, Sweetcorn, Tomatoes and Cucumber				
Desserts	Yoghurt Bar with a Selection of Toppings				
	Fruit Platter	Pancakes & Syrup	Sponge Cake	Cornflake Tart	Ice Lolly

When we return after Easter we will be on Tuesday of WEEK 1 of our NEW rolling 3 week Menu - Please check our website for allergens.



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