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Value is
Thankfulness*

'An outstanding example of a Church school' SIAS 2003
'All Saints Infant School is an outstanding school' OFSTED 2007
'The school's performance has been sustained' Interim assessment OFSTED 2010
'The school's distinctiveness and effectiveness as a Church school is outstanding' SIAS 2012
'This is an outstanding school' OFSTED 2013
'Outstanding' SIAMS 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 24th February 2023

A warm welcome back to all our families this week. I hope you had a relaxing half term break. We have had a busy first week back in school with a visit from Hand to Mouth, our whole school pancake café and our Upper Foundation Stage visit to ArtVenturers. We are now half way through our school year, the staff continue to hold high expectations and are determined that every child will achieve what they are capable of achieving. Thank you in advance for your support and for working with your child at home.

Congratulations Mrs Dixon!

Firstly, I am pleased to share some wonderful news with you all. Mrs Dixon has welcomed her beautiful baby twins to the world, Jude and Nell. Mrs Dixon would like to thank her class and their families for all the lovely messages and generous cards and gifts she has received. I would like to wish Mrs Dixon a relaxing and enjoyable maternity leave as she makes lots of memories with her new family. As soon as she can I am sure she will be making a visit to school and to her class.



Parent pupil progress meetings

Pupil progress meetings for parents will take place over the new two weeks. Please make sure you book a time to meet with your child's class teacher as these are important meetings to talk about how well your child is currently doing in school. At the meeting the teacher will talk about your child's progress, will show you examples of their work and will also share with you their next steps. These are short ten minute appointments and the teachers will aim to stick to the time slots, however please do be patient if these over run as I know the teachers are keen to share lots of information with parents. Please arrive at the school office for your appointment. Thank you in advance for attending the meetings and the teachers will look forward to seeing you there.

Pupil progress meeting dates:

- Monday 27th February- Upper Foundation Stage (Mrs Anderson, Mrs Wood-Stones and Miss Freear's)
- Tuesday 28th February- Mrs Bond's class (Year 1)
- Wednesday 1st March- Year 2 (Miss Gallagher, Miss Hargrave and Mrs Lewis)
- Wednesday 1st March in the morning (in Nursery) & Friday 3rd March (in main school) - Mr Price (Nursery)
- Tuesday 7th March- Mrs Cowling's and Miss Ackroyd's class (Year 1)

PE kits

All children in main school will need a PE kit, which is kept every day in school to get changed into on their allocated PE days. Our PE kit consists of a white plain t-shirt, navy shorts and black pumps. As the warmer weather hopefully arrives the children will begin to enjoy lots of PE sessions outdoors. Please can you provide your child with a pair of plain navy jogging bottoms and top. PE kits will be sent home at the end of each half term so these can be washed and checked. Please make sure all items are also clearly labelled with your child's full name. Thank you.

Reading

It has been a pleasure to listen to the children read across the school and to see how well they are progressing with their reading skills. Our Upper Foundation Stage and Year One children will bring home their Little Wandle Guided Practice book once they have read this a few times alongside an adult in school. This means the children are familiar with this book and should be able to talk about the meaning of any new vocabulary in the book. Please enjoy listening to your child read this book at home. I am also pleased to see many of our Year 2 children enjoying choosing a book to take home from our free reader selection. We ask that children read their school reading books to an adult at home every night. This does not always have to be the full book but could be just a couple of pages. Please write in your child's orange reading record when you have listened to your child at home. Children will also need to bring their bookbag into school every day. Thank you.

Strike action

I would like to inform you that the school will remain open for all children on Tuesday 28th February.

Dates for this half term:

- Thursday 2nd March- World Book Day. Children can come dressed up as a story/ book character. The World Book Day website has some great ideas and tips to help with dressing up costumes ([World Book Day Dress Up Ideas](#)).
- Thursday 2nd March- Miss Freear's class worship. 9am in the school hall. Parents welcome.
- Friday 3rd March- Class newsletters will be sent home.
- Monday 6th March- Meeting for Year 2 parents about the end of Year 2 expectations and the SATs at 5pm in the school hall.
- Tuesday 7th March- Normanton Fire Service are visiting the Upper Foundation Stage children
- Thursday 16th March- Year 2 visit to the Cathedral and Mosque.
- Friday 17th March- Mother's Day service in church at 9.15am. Led by Mrs Lewis' class. All parents welcome especially mums, grandmas, sisters and aunties.
- Monday 20th March- Miss Hargrave's class will be leading worship at 9am in the school hall.
- Wednesday 22nd March- Spring Hygge parent workshops (Further information to follow)
- Wednesday 29th March- Easter parade. (Further information to follow)
- Friday 31st March- Mrs Anderson's class will be leading the Easter service at 9.15am in church. Parents welcome.
- Friday 31st March- School closes for the Easter break at 2pm.

HLTAs

Finally, I would like to end on more good news. I am pleased to share with you that, after a lot of hard work, Mrs Scattergood and Miss Hotchkiss have gained their Higher-Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) status. This is wonderful news and I would like to congratulate them both on their achievement.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

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