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Normanton All Saints CE (A) Infant School

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'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

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, I hope you have had time to relax, unwind and spend some quality time as a family this half term. As we start this term the reminders of the change in season are all around us with blossom on the trees, plants and flowers springing into life all around us and the hope of lighter nights and warmer temperatures. We are already looking forward to celebrating Easter with our annual parade on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March and, of course, all the fun that goes with it! Please encourage your child to take part by creating one (or more) of the following options in preparation over the next few weeks...there are chocolate prizes to be won! All children are invited to decorate an Easter bonnet, hat or tie. They could also create an Easter egg, or an Easter garden showing the Easter story (please see the Bible your child was given for some great ideas), a garden including spring flowers and bunnies or let their imagination run wild! In addition, some Easter quiz and colouring sheets will be sent home which your child can complete and return for the chance of winning a prize. We hope you enjoy this chance to be creative and work alongside your child.

#### Attendance

Congratulations to the Elephants class who were our half term winners with the highest attendance of 97.93%! They all thoroughly enjoyed their ice-cream party reward, well done! A huge well done to the 141 children who had 100% attendance last half term- we hope you all enjoyed receiving your celebratory postcard. Well done to Michal C who won our Movie Night reward box to enjoy with his family, and Elsie D who won our half termly Cinema Voucher to enjoy in the holidays too.

#### Lunchtime supervisor role

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. We are looking to bring onto the current team a positive and proactive individual who loves to interact with children and lead play activities. This role also involves supporting children within the dining room setting. If you think this could be you or you know someone who may be perfect for the role, please request an application form from the school office or Mrs Huskins, our school business manager at [sbm@allsaints-normanton.wakefield.sch.uk](mailto:sbm@allsaints-normanton.wakefield.sch.uk). The closing date for applications will be Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February at noon, interviews will be held the week commencing the 26<sup>th</sup> February for those shortlisted.

#### Twitter

Just a reminder about our school Twitter page. To access the school Twitter page all you need to do is download the Twitter app, register, search @NormantonAS and request to follow us. This is a great way to keep informed about what is happening in school.

#### World Book Day

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March we will once again be participating in World Book Day. To celebrate World Book Day we are inviting all children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. If you google 'world book day simple costume ideas' there are many simple suggestions that you can rustle up at home, please don't feel the need to spend money buying one. Here are some top tips:



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- Start with things you might already have - tracksuits, t-shirts (inside out to make them plain) and pyjamas make a good base for a costume.
- Keep it simple with a character who wears everyday clothes, by focussing on a prop, face paint or by using a badge instead.
- Stick to everyday clothes and add small details to focus on key elements of the character - hats, ears, sticking things on t-shirts etc

Mrs Burton's class will be starting the day's celebrations by leading worship and we will also be enjoying a world book day themed lunch organised by Mrs Beaumont. Keep your eyes peeled on our Twitter page @NormantonAS for some photographs of us celebrating our love of reading. As part of the celebrations we will be asking for a voluntary silver coin donation which we will be donated to The Literacy Trust. This will be used to provide book tokens and brand new books to children across the UK and Ireland who otherwise may not have a book of their own. We would also like to give children in school the opportunity to choose a pre-loved book to keep from school. Children will be able to visit our stall throughout the day and choose a book to bring home to enjoy and keep- please don't confuse this with their individual reading books which are returned to school daily. We are excited for our new Reading Ambassadors to help lead the celebrations on the day!

### Dates for your diary

For your future reference, here are a few additional dates for your diary.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March will be the date of our Easter Parade.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March we break up early at 2pm for the Easter holiday and return to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April.

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May we break up at 3.15pm and return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July we break up at 2pm for the Summer holiday, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July school is closed to pupils for INSET.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss L Hargrave  
Acting Headteacher



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