

Weekly Newsletter Tuesday 8th May 2018

Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

I hope that you had a good weekend and enjoyed the sunshine over the weekend. This half term is passing by so quickly and only three weeks left till the half term holidays. Hopefully - if the sunshine continues a reminder that your child will need to bring a sunhat and their water bottle to school. We are not able to apply any sun cream in school and so please ensure that this is applied before coming to school. If the temperature is too hot then we will keep the children in to protect them from the sun.

One thing to watch out for whilst in the garden and parks are caterpillars. The Forestry Commission has issued a warning after a toxic caterpillar outbreak in London over the past week. The outbreak has caused an increase in asthma attacks, vomiting and skin rashes. If you have any concerns regarding your child please seek advice from your GP as soon as possible.

One lovely piece of news over the weekend was the arrival of Miss McCormick's and Mr Farmer's baby boy Harrison on Saturday. Congratulations to both parents and Mr Farmer has reported that both mum and baby are doing well and coming home today. We look forward to seeing the new arrival. We have just received our invitation to the Mayor's Healthy Schools London Celebration on Thursday 28 June 2018 at City Hall. The event will feature stories from schools about how they are supporting the health and wellbeing of children and young people with a specific focus on Personal Social Health Education (PSHE). And also an opportunity for St Saviour's to receive our Silver Healthy Schools Awards in person. This will be displayed in the entrance hall in the near future.

<u>Y1 Visit to Transport Museum –</u>

Year 1 had a great trip to the London Transport Museum. This was postponed due to the snow and all the children were such a credit to St Saviour's in terms of their behaviour and attitude at the museum.

There are a number of events going on this week as usual and so please ensure your child is arriving to school on time and that any absence is reported to the school office before 9am.



Achievement School

Booster lessons for Year 6 pupils are continuing this week but there is no achievement school on Saturday 12th May. There has been a great attendance over the year and a special mention to whose whom have attended each Saturday. The pupils and staff celebrated on Saturday with pizza and a few prizes are ready to be given out! The Y6 SATS start next Monday and we wish all the pupils good luck. As in every year group, these pupils have been working really hard and the tests will be a positive reflection on the standards that we have at St Saviour's.

Monday 14 th May
Grammar Paper
Spelling Paper
Tuesday 15th May
Reading Paper
Wednesday 16th May
Arithmetic Paper
Reasoning Paper 1
Thursday 17th May
Reasoning Paper 1
Friday 18th May
Y6 Dance Workshop

Forest Schools

Pre-school and Reception are still having a great time every week with their Forest School lesson. The area at the back of the school is really developing and a huge thanks to Rachel Summers for setting this up at St Saviour's. Mrs Hanna has started a club after school for Y1 and Y2 pupils after school on a Friday. Some of the Y6 pupils had a special lunchtime today with Rachel as an introduction lesson. If you would like to come and visit and see the fantastic work please speak to the school office and this can be arranged. This is definitely an area of school that we intend to develop.

Year 3 and Y4 Bikeability

On Thursday and Friday this week 20 children from Y3 & Y4 will be improving their bike skills in the school playground. A reminder that the consent forms should have been completed and that your child's bike should be in a good condition.

Swimming – Y3 Oak

The children from Year 3 Birch have swimming lessons on a Tuesday. This term the lessons are for one hour each week and so we are hoping that this intense water experience will encourage more pupils to learn to swim much quicker. We are fortunate in Waltham Forest that open swimming times are free for children – so please take advantage to take your child along to one of the pools locally.

School nurse drop-in

- 14th May: 3-4pm
- 5th June: 3-4pm
- 3rd July: 3-4pm

Please let the school office know if you have any concerns or drop in on the day.

School Trips/Workshops

Please remember to check your parentpay accounts or collect a bar code from the school office as there are a number of school trips and workshops coming up over the next few weeks. All of these have been arranged to consolidate the learning that we do in school and the children really benefit from the experience.

- Dance assembly (9.05am) followed by Y6 Dance Workshop in school hall – Friday 18th May
- International Family Friday 18th May (see attached information)
- Y6 Circus skills workshop Monday 21st May
- Y5/6 Tour de Waltham Forest cycling workshop – Tuesday
 22nd May
- Y5 trip to Natural History Museum – Wednesday 23rd May
- Y3 trip to British Museum Thursday 24th May
- Y4 Pentecost Mass in school hall – Thursday 24th May (2.30pm)
- Y4 Viking Workshop in school hall Friday 25th May

Assembly week commencing 07.05.18

Our assembly theme links with our school Christian value of: Truth

Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

1 John 3:18

As always parents/carers are very welcome to join us for any of our assemblies.

London Mayor's History Day -

Launched by Historic England, the first ever London History Day was held last year on Wednesday 31st May (to coincide with the date that Big Ben started keeping time for the first time). The rationale was to provide a chance to celebrate our city's unique history and heritage: its historic buildings, sites, communities and heroes.

This year's London History Schools Day is on Friday 25 May 2018 and will be bigger and better than last year, with even more schools – including St Saviour's and St Mary's - celebrating our city's unique history and heritage.

A reminder for pupils' at St Saviour's that they are very welcome to dress up on Friday 25th May to celebrate:

- Year 1 The Romans
- Year 2 The Anglo-Saxons
- Year 3 The Tudors
- Year 4 The Vikings
- Year 5 Evacuees and wartime London
- Year 6 The Suffragettes

On Thursday 31 May 2018, more than 70 of London's museums, galleries and cultural spaces will open their doors to reveal special behind the scenes tours, rarely seen exhibits and one off events, celebrating the capital's unique identity. 2018 is the year of courage, with many special events for London History Day touching on the pioneering spirit, heroism, initiative and kindness layered in our history.

To find out what is happening use the link:

https://historicengland.org.uk/getinvolved/visit/london-history-day/ and find somewhere new to visit during the half term holidays.

Whole School Attendance and punctuality

The whole school attendance target is 96.5%.

From September 2017 to last week, attendance remains just short of that target at 95.57%

Attendance and Punctuality

Last week, punctuality fell below our expected standards and there were over 28 late marks across the school.

Being punctual is an important life skill and being late can become a habit. The start of each school day is so important for your child and even five minutes lateness every day across a week can have a detrimental effect on your child's learning.

Across a school year:

5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost! 10 minutes late = 6 days lost! 15 minutes late = 9 days lost! 20 minutes late = 12 days lost!, and 30 minutes late = 18 days lost!

We know that every minute counts so please try to arrive on time every day.

Attendance Award for 100% week ending 4th May 2018:

Reception Elm Year 4 Elm Year 6 Willow

Lateness Award for 100% being on time week ending 4th May 2018:

Year 6 Elm

Parent Workshops and Information Sessions

These are held on a weekly basis and an opportunity for you to come and find out how different aspects of the curriculum are taught but also to provide advice in how you can help your child further their studies at home. This year these have not been attended by as many parents as we want like and I would welcome any feedback on how this could be improved.

For your diary the following sessions have been arranged:

- Tuesday 8th May Spirituality
- Tuesday 15th May Philosophy for Children (P4C)
- Tuesday 22nd May Special Educational Needs and Disabilities
- Tuesday 5th June Creative Curriculum

Whole School Writing Focus

One of the key priorities this year is to continuing raising the standards in writing across the whole school. In order to do this there will be a whole school writing focus each week – with prizes awarded to individuals in each class. We hope that you will help support your child with this as to become a good writer they need to be able to talk through their ides.

The focus for this week will be to contribute towards a new Prayer Book that we can collate together all of the children's writing and then share the prayers during assemblies.

Closing date for this will be on Monday 14th May and the work can be presented any way that the children want to (hand written, word processed, decorated, and so on) ... the aim is to further develop your child's writing skills.

Work can be handed into the school office or to your child's teacher. Please make sure name and class are clearly labelled. Happy writing!

Congratulations to these children

Headteacher's Table:

KS1 (Afternoon Tea): Year 1 Oak: Noah Year 1 Birch: Evan Year 2 Elm: Ricyfa Year 2 Willow: Mariam

KS2(Head's Table)

Year 3 Oak: Kanz Year 3 Birch: Joel Year 4 Elm: Narcis Year 4 Willow: Mya Year 5 Oak: Gosia Year 5 Birch: Adwoa Year 6 Elm: Lorenzo Year 6 Willow: Sekou

Well done!!!

Have a blessed week.

KJMurden Kerry Munden Headteacher

Kate Dingle Deputy Head

Key dates and times for the Summer Term 2018	
7 th May 2018	BANK HOLIDAY
8 th May 2018	Spirituality Parent Workshop
14th May 2018	KS2 SATS week
21st May 2018	KSI SATS week
21st May 2018	SEND Parent Workshop
4 th June 2018	KS2 Science Sampling Wokshop
4 th June 2018	Creative Curriculam Parent Workshop
8 th June 2018	Year 2 The Natural History Museum – Rocks and Soils
11 th June 2018	Year 6 School Journey
11 th June 2018	Phonics Testing
15 th June 2018	Mini Tour de WF
20 th June 2018	RSE Parent Workshop
10 th July 2018 – 12 th July 2018	Sports Day
20 th July 2018	School finishes at 2pm

Term Dates 2018

Summer Term 2018 – First Half (30 Days)

Start – Monday 16th April 2018

End – Friday 25th May 2018

Half Term: Monday 28th May 2018 – Friday 1st June 2018

Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 7th May 2018

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 28th May 2018 (during Half Term)

Second Half (35 Days)

Start – Monday 4th June 2018

End – Friday 20th July 2018

This calendar gives a total of 195 days (190 pupil days plus 5 inset days).