

# St Saviours Newsletter Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018



As the leaves continue to fall, signs of winter are definitely on their way. I hope that you had a peaceful weekend and are set for another eventful week at St Saviour's. Firstly, thank you to all those parens/carers that attended the Parent Consultation evenings last week - if you were unable to attend please contact the school office to arrange a meeting/telephone conversation with your child's teacher. Feedback from the questionnaires collected continues to be very positive and any further ways to develop stronger communication links between school and home are welcomed.

Pupil Voice is very much an integral part of our school life. The new School Council representatives are in place and they meet with Mrs Joda on issues that they wish to improve within school, the local community and national issues. School Council will have an important part in our accreditation towards achieving Gold Healthy Schools and Gold Travel Award this academic year. Mrs Buckley also leads Learning Council which focuses on our pupils being involved in the curriculum and their thoughts on new ways to develop their understanding of the topics which we cover.

It was through this that we now have introduced cello lessons in Year 4 as some pupils felt that there was not enough opportunities to learn a musical instrument

If you would like further information you would be very welcome to come along to a meeting.

# What's on this week

- Year 2 will be visiting the Jewish museum
- Some of the year 5/6 students will be participating in Sports Hall Athletics competition
- Year 3 Willow will be starting their 2 week block of swimming at The Feel Good Center

### **Reminders**

Year 1 and 2 Nativity/Christingle is on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Free parking available at Walthamstow Leisure Centre



Christmas Fair is on 14<sup>th</sup> of December- a huge thank you to Walthamstow Leisure Centre (Kelmscott) who have lifted the parking charges on this day so we can have as many people as possible attending!



# Whole School Attendance and punctuality

The whole school attendance target is 96.5%. Last week the attendance was 96.29%. Keep it up!

Attendance Award for 100% Week ending 9th November 2018: Yr 4 Oak and 5 Elm

Line of the week: Yr 3 Oak and 1 Oak

Lateness Award for 100% being on time Week ending 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018: 4 Oak, 6 Birch, 5 Elm

Our assembly theme this week links with our school Christian value of:

**Truth** 

No legacy is so rich as honesty-William Shakespare

The next whole school Mass November 20<sup>th</sup> (9.30am)
Please join us in the school hall.

Have a great week.

God bless

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# A week in review

'Remembrance' is not a word that we use every day. We would tend to say we 'remember' something like a friend's birthday and we have things around us help us to remember people or places. Old toys or clothes remind us of who gave them to us, or why we liked them when we were younger. Photos remind us of a party, or maybe a holiday. But 'Remembrance' is bigger than that, 'Remembrance' is something that can be shared. That is why many people wear poppies at this time of year. The poppy is a sign of remembrance. It shows we have not forgotten what happened long ago, to people in our own and other people's families. As part of Remembrance Sunday the children took part in a minutes silence today and our thanks to Father Summers for leading us. Ours is not a silent world. There is noise all around us. So silence is special. Silence is good for remembering. It helps us to stop thinking about what is going on right now, or what we are going to do next. Silence gives us time to reflect. The children also had an opportunity to write prayers for our prayer tree on the top corridor. Thank you for those that supported the Poppy Appeal this year.

On Tuesday, three Year 6 children (and one in Year 5) were selected to represent St Saviour's at the National Young Mathematician of the Year award in Chingford. The children were asked to work as a team to complete a challenging Maths puzzle competing against three other schools. They had to use all of their logic skills to look at patterns in dice. The four children - Alice, Maxx, Jun and Anita - found it difficult but enjoyed the experience of looking at Maths in a different way was enjoyable. We will find out soon if we have made it through to round 2.



#### Change to school catering

Having worked with Olive Dining for the past 5 months, we have made the mutual decision to terminate the catering contract.

The school will be catered by Aspens from 26th

November. Aspens were a very close second during the tendering process which included a panel of children, parents and staff. Aspens are dedicating a Genesis Area Manager to oversee our catering services across the three schools as well as be a direct point of contact for parents. Aspens founding principles are:

- Great tasting food, prepared using local ingredients
- The belief that "one size does not fit all"
- People before Profit

We feel this ethos is in line with our own and look forward to working with them.

#### Hindu trip-Colenna Yr 3 Elm

On Friday, we went to the Hindu temple. We learnt lots of things about the different Gods. For example the Elephant God is called Ganish. We had a guided tour of the temple and were also shown some of the ways in which Hindus pray. We also found out about how Hindus celebrate Diwali. Our trip was very informative and we had lots of fun.

#### Fire Brigade visit

In Year 2, we really enjoyed learning about fire safety this week. We learnt how to prevent fires from happening and also if there was a fire how we could escape safely.

"I really enjoyed dressing up in a fireman's jacket and showing my class"- KJ
"I really enjoying learning about how we can save others. I also learnt that you can call 999 for the ambulance, police and fire brigade." -Brian



# **Key Dates for Autumn 2**

Saturday 10th November	Reception 2019 open session – 9.30am			
,	Saturday Plus School			
	Y6 Achievement			
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> November – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Y3 Willow Swimming 1.30-3.30 every afternoon			
Wednesday 14th November	Year 2 – Jewish Museum			
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Saturday Plus School			
	Y6 Achievement			
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Year 4 – River Boat trip			
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Saturday Plus School			
	Y6 Achievement			
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> November – Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3 Elm Swimming 1.30-3.30 every afternoon			
Thursday 29th November	Rec/Y6 Hearing and Vision Tests			
Saturday Ist December	Saturday Plus School			
	Y6 Achievement			
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Saturday Plus School			
	Y6 Achievement			
Tuesday II <sup>th</sup> December	Reception 2019 open session – IOAM			
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle/Nativity – school hall at 4pm			
Friday I4th December	Christmas Fair – School Hall			
Saturday 15th December	Saturday Plus School			
	Y6 Achievement			
Thursday 19th December	School closes at 2pm for Christmas Break			
	Children return on Tuesday 8th January			

# St Saviour's Term Dates 2018-2019

Autumn Term 2018 First Half (32 Days)

INSET – Monday 3rd September, Tuesday 4th September 2018

Start – Wednesday 5th September 2018

End – Thursday 18th October 2018

INSET – Friday 19th October 2018

Half Term: Monday 22nd October 2018 - Friday 26th October 2018

Second Half (39 Days)

Start – Monday 29th October 2018

End - Thursday 20th December 2018

Holidays: Friday 21st December 2018 to Friday 4th January 2018

# **Spring Term 2019**

First Half (29 Days)

INSET - Monday 7th January 2019

Start - Tuesday 8th January 2019

End - Friday 15th February 2019

Half Term: Monday 18th February 2019 - Friday 22nd February 2019

Second Half (30 Days)

Start - Monday 25th February 2019

End – Friday 5th April 2019

Holidays: Monday 8th April to Monday 22nd April 2019

### **Summer Term 2019**

First Half (23 Days)

Start - Tuesday 23rd April 2019

End - Friday 24th May 2019

Half Term: Monday 27th May 2019 - Friday 31st May 2019

Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2019

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 27th May 2019 (during Half Term)

Second Half (37 Days)

Start - Monday 3rd June 2019

End – Tuesday 23rd July 2019

This calendar gives a total of 195 (190 pupil days plus 4 inset days – Staff to work twilight sessions to make up 1 inset day).