



St Saviour's

Church of England Primary School

AUTUMN 1, WEEK 3

Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way that you think
– Romans 12:2 NLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

Y4 SWIMMING LESSONS

Year 4 have been visiting Feel Good Centre for swimming lessons over the last two weeks. Each afternoon, they have worked with instructors to develop their swimming skills including floating, swimming strokes, breathing underwater and water safety. Y4 teachers have been incredibly impressed with the progress made by the children – well done!



FIRE SAFETY WORKSHOP

This week, Y2 and Y5 have been visited by the Fire Brigade for fire safety workshops where they were taught what to do in an emergency if there is a fire and how to call 999. The children explored common fire hazards and the importance of never playing with matches and lighters. They also discussed the role of smoke alarms and how they keep homes safe from fire.

JEANS FOR GENES

On Friday 22nd September, we took part in 'Jeans for Genes' day where the children came to school in jeans instead of their school trousers or skirts. The children explored the difference between 'jeans' and 'genes' and how people's lives can be affected by genetic conditions. We discussed the importance of raising awareness to support and also to educate more people on genetic conditions which are often very rare. Thank you for your kind donations to support this UK charity. We raised **£143** which will be donated to support the work of the charity this year.



FOREST SCHOOL

I am delighted to say that all classes will be working alongside a trained Forest School leader this term. Reception and Y1 will continue to have weekly sessions but Y2 – Y6 will also take part in a full afternoon of activities this term. I look forward to sharing photographs of the children in future newsletters and will share the dates of each year group so that the children have a Forest School kit on that day.

MEET THE TEACHER COFFEE MORNINGS

As the children settle into a new academic year, we look forward to inviting parents and carers into school this week for our 'Meet the Teacher' coffee mornings. It is an opportunity to meet your child's home class teacher and year group team. In addition to meeting the team, it will be an opportunity to learn more about what your children will be learning this term.

Tuesday 26th September 9am-9:20am	Year 1 and Year 2
Wednesday 27th September 9am-9:20am	Year 3 and Year 4
Thursday 28th September 9am-9:20am	Year 5 and Year 6



Linking to our Collective Worship this week, I would like to end with a quote which speaks of the importance of caring for those in need:
'Speak up for people who cannot speak for themselves. Protect the right of all who are helpless.' – Proverbs 31:8

Yours faithfully,
Miss Cherry

FAITH. FORGIVENESS. TRUTH. LOVE. RESPECT. TENACITY. SERENITY

SPEECH COMPETITION

At St Saviour's we are passionate about offering a space for children to be young transformers; transforming themselves and others around them. We know that 'little' voices matter and so we are excited to run a speech competition open to all children who are passionate about making change and want to persuade others and have impact.

It is a great opportunity to develop oracy skills, confidence and build self esteem whilst speaking out and up for others. In class, teachers will share the competition with their classes and offer support where needed along the way. It is optional to take part but we would love for many children to be inspired to take part.



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SPEECH COMPETITION

TOPIC: Where do want to see change?

Two categories: KS1 and KS2
Speeches must be between 2 and 3 minutes.
Memorise as much as possible - use cue cards if needed.
Pick a topic that you are passionate about.

Speak up, be heard and change the world!

Round One
Week of 30th October
Class speeches delivered and class winners chosen.

Round Two
Week of 6th November
Year group winner chosen

Round Three
Week of 13th November
School winner chosen

Make a difference.
Your voice matters.
Transform yourself and others.



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in collective worship we reflected on our school value of caring and why this is an important value to show in our words and actions.

We discussed the story of the Good Samaritan, considered questions linked to the events and explored why this story is important to us today.



Why do you think the other people did not stop to help the man in need?

Why should we care and look out for those in need?

How can we help those in need today?

The bible says that we should give our worries to God, because He cares for us. If God cares for us so much, we should follow his example and also care for those around us.

God help us to be caring. Help us to fix our eyes on you and not ourselves. Help us to reach out to those in need and speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves.

Y1 CLASS CORNER

This week we have had a very exciting week in Year 1! We have been learning all about toys from the past and toys from the present. We have been learning about toys that children would have been playing with in the Victorian era and comparing them to the toys we play with today.

Our book this term is called Old Bear, and we have been learning all about the adventures of the toys in the story. We have had lots of discussions about the characters in the story and what might happen next.



In Science, we have been looking at materials and their properties. Old Bear has given Year 1 a challenge to build him a house. We have been exploring the properties of materials to decide which material would be suitable for him to use.

We have also been very active this week exploring nature at Forest School and creating dance routines in PE.

STARS OF THE WEEK!

This week, we welcomed parents and carers to join us in our Friday assembly to celebrate the successes of their children who have been chosen as Stars of the Week. It was wonderful to share this moment with you.



Year 1: Iyanu & Maxwell



Year 2: Nia & Yadiel



Year 4: Mamudou & Olivier



Year 3: Brooklyn & Eliab



Year 5: Elsa & Zimra



Year 6: Marta & Jeannette



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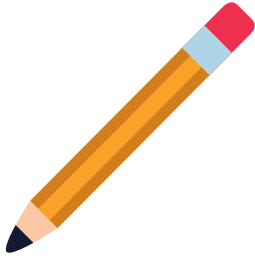
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COUNCILLORS' CORNER

This week, we elected our new representatives for 2023–2024 for each of our councils. Well done to all children who completed application forms and I look forward to seeing the impact that the new councillors make at St Saviour's this school year.



PRESENTATION AWARD WINNERS



Y1: **Marios & Gabriel**



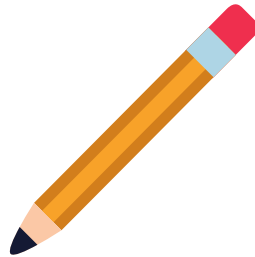
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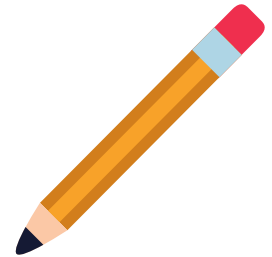
Y3: **Edgar & Ezra**



Y4: **Elsie & Elisabeth**



Y5: **Milan & Daniel**



Y6: **Nina & Charlie**

PROGRESS CUP WINNERS

A huge well done to **Ezrah** who is this week's Progress Cup winner!



KS2 Progress Cup
Ezrah Year 3



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ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



Well done to **Year 2 Emmeline Pankhurst** with 99.03% & **Year 6 Anne Frank** with 98.15% who have won the attendance mascots this week.

The expected attendance level at St Saviour's is 97% and holidays during term time will not be authorised. All appointments, other than emergency ones, need to be booked outside of school hours. Other than in an emergency, a letter or appointment card must be presented at the Main Office ahead of the appointment for the school to be able to authorise the absence.

We have a 'Soft Start' for Y1 - Y6 where the school is open from 8:40am for children to arrive at school and settle ready for the start of the school day. Remember your child must be in school by 8:55am to avoid a late mark.

If your child is going to be absent due to illness, please call or leave a detailed message for the office team, including the reason your child is off sick.

SCHOOL DISMISSAL

To keep children safe when you collect your child at the end of the day or after clubs, can I please ask they you keep them close and not let them run ahead or walk far behind you.



If you have arranged for your child to be collected by another parent, friend or relative, please ensure that you have informed the school office so that the class teacher can be made aware and can safely dismiss your child. Please be patient if the teacher needs to check arrangements - the safety of your children is of the most importance.



BIKES AND SCOOTERS



Please can I remind parents that bikes and scooters should not be left overnight on the school grounds. Any bikes or scooters left will have to be removed from the racks to minimise risk of theft by leaving them visible overnight. If you are unable to take your child's bike or scooter home on the same day, please inform the school office to see if an arrangement can be made.



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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After School Clubs will start on Monday 25th September. Please ensure that you have made payment to secure your child's place.

We try and offer a range of clubs for children to engage in and are always looking for new ideas. If you know any individuals or groups who would be interested in running clubs, please get in contact with the school office. We are particularly interested in music, language and dance and drama specialists to enable us to expand our offer.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We like to see all of our children wearing the correct uniform; it helps them to be proud of their school and creates a sense of identity and belonging. Please ensure that your child has the correct school uniform and PE kit and that all items are clearly labelled with their full name. Footwear includes plain black school shoes (no trainers) and black plimsolls or plain black trainers for PE lessons.

Can I please remind you not to send your child to school with a large rucksack as we do not have the space to store them in the classrooms. Our school book bags are the perfect size for reading books, reading records, a break time snack and a water bottle.

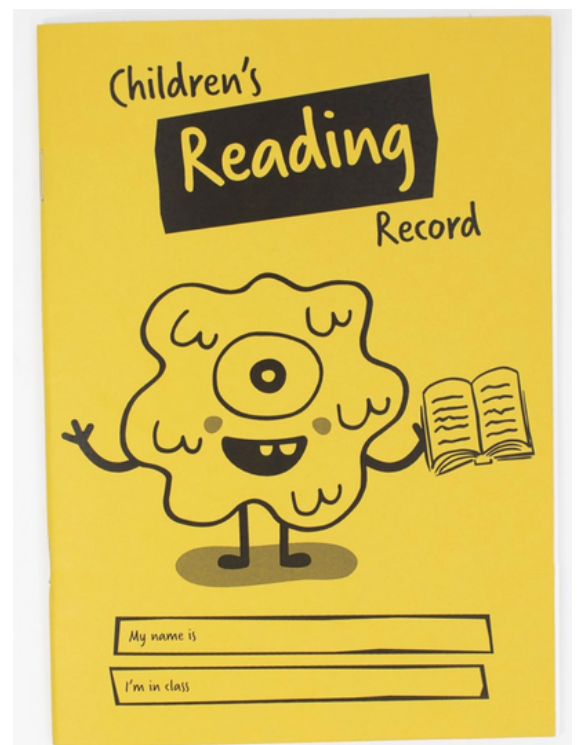


READING RECORDS

Your child has been given a new yellow reading record and a banded reading book for them to take home.

To encourage a love for reading and to support the development and consolidation of their reading skills, we ask that you read with your child or listen to your child read everyday. This can be for just 10 or 15 minutes and recorded in their reading log.

Any other books that the children read for pleasure can also be recorded in their log and will be celebrated by their class teacher.



SCHOOL EVENTS CALENDAR

Please find attached a calendar of events for the first half term. This calendar will be updated as additional events or trips are booked and will be shared here alongside exciting news each week.

SEPTEMBER 2023						
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Back to School Autumn 1 	8	9	10
			Reception Parties 			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Y6 Residential						
Y4 Swimming Lessons						
18	19	20 Fire Safety Workshop Y2 & Y5 	21	22 Wear Jeans for Genes Day 	23	24
Y4 Swimming Lessons						
25	26 Coffee Morning Y1 and Y2 9:00-9:20 	27 School Nurse Drop In 9:30-10:30 Coffee Morning Y3 and Y4 9:00-9:20 	28 Coffee Morning Y5 and Y6 9:00-9:20 	29 Athlete Event Whole School 	30	

OCTOBER 2023						
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Year 1 trip to The Postal Museum 				
9	10 Big Live Assembly Black History Month 	11 Book Fair 	12 Book Fair 	13 Book Fair 	14	15
16 Book Fair 	17 Book Fair  Individual Photographs 	18 Book Fair  Year 3 trip to Legoland 	19 Year 4 trip to Legoland 	20 Year 5 trip to London Eye & River Cruise 	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Half Term - 23rd - 27th October						
30 Back to school Autumn 2 	31					



Term Dates 2023– 2024



Autumn Term 2023

First Half (35 Days)

INSET – Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th September 2023

Start – Thursday 7th September 2023

End – Friday 20th October 2023

Half Term: Monday 23rd October 2023- Friday 27th October 2023

Second Half (38 Days)

Start – Monday 30th October 2023

End – Wednesday 20th December 2023

Holidays: Thursday 21st December 2023 to Friday 5th January 2024

Spring Term 2024

First Half (25 Days)

INSET – Monday 8th January 2024

Start – Tuesday 9th January 2024

End - Friday 9th February 2024

Half Term: Monday 12th February 2024 – Friday 16th February 2024

Second Half (29 Days)

Start - Monday 19th February 2024

End – Thursday 28th March 2024

Holidays: Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April 2024

Summer Term 2024

First Half (29 Days)

Start – Monday 15th April 2024

End - Friday 24th May 2024

Half Term: Monday 27th May 2024 - Friday 31st May 2024

Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2024

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 27th May 2024 (during Half Term)

Second Half (38 Days)

Start - Monday 3rd June 2024

End – Wednesday 24th July 2024

This calendar gives a total of 194 (190 pupil days plus 4 inset days – Staff to work twilight sessions to make up 1 inset day).