



# St Saviour's

Church of England Primary School

## AUTUMN 2 WEEK 5

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reached December, the temperatures dropped and we even had a flurry of snow at lunchtime today! Please can I remind you to send children into school with a school jumper or school cardigan and a coat to keep them warm at breaktimes. As always, please ensure that they are labelled so they can be easily returned if they go missing!

### CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

On Thursday 7th December, we will be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day to raise awareness and money for Save the Children. We invite all children to swap out their school shirt for a festive jumper or t-shirt to support children facing serious issues like war, hunger and poverty.



**Save the Children**



### COMMUNITY KITCHEN

A huge 'thank you' for your continued generous contributions of non-perishable food items to our donation station in the school foyer. Can I please remind you that while we donate these items to local food banks and initiatives in Waltham Forest, they are also for anyone in our school community. Please help yourself to any items that you and your family may need.



### DONATIONS

With the winter months setting in, we know there are families who will struggle to keep warm and dry. Therefore, we would like to call a voluntary clothing amnesty where we ask parents and carers to donate specific adult and children's clothing items that are in good condition to those families in need. We are not asking anyone to buy new items and of course, there is no obligation at all to donate. However, if you can, then that would be enormously appreciated.

**There is a particular need for the below items:**

- woolly hats
- scarves
- umbrellas
- winter coats
- jumpers
- baby/children's clothes
- shoes
- pushchairs
- scooters
- activity books

**Please bring all donations to the office on Friday 8th December**, where they will be separated into categories. As always, many thanks for your continued support of the school and its outreach work.

I would like to end with a quote which links to our school value of respect and the importance of valuing everyone:  
**"I speak to everyone in the same way, whether he is the garbage man or the president of the university." – Albert Einstein**

Yours faithfully,  
Miss Cherry



# COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in collective worship our theme was 'respect'. We looked at why it is important to show respect to others.

We looked at the Bible verse "I brought them into a fertile land, to respect and enjoy its harvests and its other good things. But instead they disrespected the land and defiled the country I had given them." Jeremiah 2:7 .

This reminded us that we need to respect our environment and the world.

We looked at the Bible story 'Daniel and the Lions Den' as this showed us that Daniel was always very respectful to the King, even though he didn't agree with him all the time!

However, he was also respectful to God and would not compromise his beliefs. We should always respect people who are in charge, but Christians believe that we should respect God and the earth (environment) as well.

**If we disagree, how should we go about this?**

**It is ok to disagree, as long as we disagree well! This means with respect and acceptance of others.**

**How can we disagree in a respectful way?**

**How can we make sure we show respect to others?**



**self-respect**



**respecting others**



**respecting the environment**

# VALUES CARD AWARD



Well done to Ry'Annah and Milo who have been consistently showing our school values.

Keep it up!

# STARS OF THE WEEK!



**Year Rec: Felix & Barnaby**



**Year 1: Aiden & Lily**



**Year 2: Thea & Eartha**



**Year 3: Rudy & Kimaya**



**Year 4: Amelia & Ismahil**



**Year 5: Shadee & Kiara**



**Year 6: Evaya & Edith**



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# PROGRESS CUP WINNERS

A huge well done to **Ilinca, Rafferty & Carnes** who are this week's Progress Cup winners!



**EYFS Progress  
Winner  
Ilinca**



**KS1 Progress  
Winner  
Rafferty**



**KS2 Progress  
Winner  
Carnes**

# ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



Well done to  
**Y2 Emmeline Pankhurst - 98:16%**  
&  
**Y3 Albert Einstein - 100%**  
who have won the  
attendance mascots this week.

# LUNCHTIME AWARDS



**Zulfikar Y6**



**Deandre Y6**



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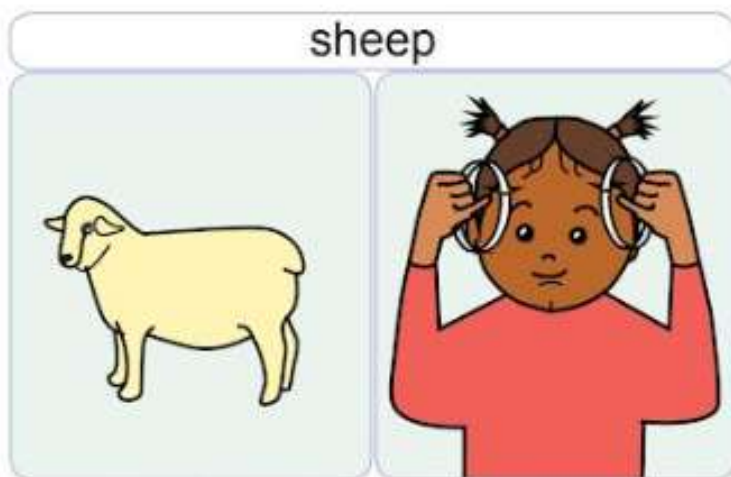


# COUNCILLORS' CORNER

## LEARNING COUNCIL

Learning Council members have been actively discussing topics in their meetings and how they can enhance the learning here at St Saviour's. Knowing the importance of communication, they have decided that they would like to teach and share British Sign Language signs with the school community each week.

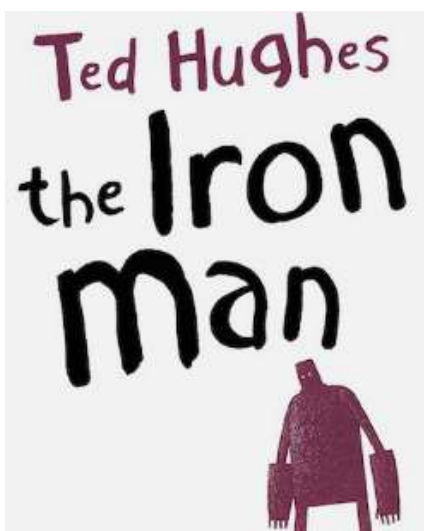
They have started with animals and will be linking this to the Nativity to give context and engage. Council members will visit classrooms to teach their peers.



Little finger make several small forward circles at the sides of the head.

This week's sign is 'sheep'.

**Can you remember the signs we have already learned?**



## YEAR 3 CLASS CORNER

This week, Year 3 has been learning how to write an encyclopaedia entry about Iron Men. We have written about their appearance, eating habits and given our readers instructions about what they must do, should they ever bump into one. In our Topic lessons we have been exploring Greece and looking at all of the beautiful landmarks that tourists visit each year. We were excited to research the traditional food eaten in Greece and were amazed to find out that one traditional dish is octopus!



For Young Transformers this term, we are thinking about the strand of caring. We are going to make donations to the local hotel that is currently housing a number of children. We are passionate about showing our care for others and have asked the children there to write a wish list. Their wish list tags will be hung in our Office entrance, where anyone can take a completed tag and make a donation. We hope that you will share with us a desire to show others that we care about them and to offer a gift of kindness over the holiday seasons. We really appreciate your help in any way that you can.



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# Christmas Fayve

**FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER**

**FROM 3:30PM**

**CALL FOR DONATIONS**

TOMBOLA PRIZES

- GOOD USED TOYS
- BOOKS
- DRESS UP CLOTHES

Any contribution appreciated!  
Drop at school reception before  
Wed. 13th December

# ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

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.

Please can I also remind parents and carers that electric scooters should not be used on or near the school site. They should not be used on a public road or in spaces that are set aside for use by pedestrians, cyclists; this includes on the pavement and in cycle lanes.

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# 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.

## NOVEMBER 2023

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
30	31	1 Science Dome Rec - Year 2 	2 Science Dome Year 3 - Year 6 	3  Year 4 COP Forest School Session Black History Month Event 	4	5
6	7 Parents' Evenings 	8 Parents' Evenings 	9  Flu Immunisation Rec - Year 6	10  Year 4 MA Forest School Session	11	12
13  Odd Socks Day!	14 Author Visit Nicholas Kasparis	15 Road Safety Workshop KS2	16 Mr Bubbleworks Y1 - Y6 STEM Week	17  Year 5 MC Forest School Session Children in Need - Wear something Spotty 	18	19
20	21	22  School Nurse Drop in 9.30 - 10.30	23	24  Year 5 SH Forest School Session	25	26
27	28	29	30			

## DECEMBER 2023

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2	3
4	5 Christmas Panto Rec - Y6 	6 Falconry Rec - Year 6 	7 Christmas Jumper Day  Flu Immunisation Rec - Y6 	8 Y6 Height & Weight Check	9	10
11	12	13 Christingle Service 	14	15 Star of the Term Awards  Christmas Fair 3.30 onwards 	16	17
18	19 Christmas Dinner - Please book on Parent Pay Reception & Year 1 Nativity Play 	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Christmas Holiday - 21st December - 5th January						
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# Term Dates

## 2023- 2024



### Autumn Term 2023

#### **First Half (35 Days)**

**INSET – Monday 4<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Start – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**End – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

**Half Term: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

#### **Second Half (38 Days)**

**Start – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

**End – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

**Holidays: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023 to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

### Spring Term 2024

#### **First Half (25 Days)**

**INSET – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**Start – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**End - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**Half Term: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

#### **Second Half (29 Days)**

**Start - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**End – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**Holidays: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

### Summer Term 2024

#### **First Half (29 Days)**

**Start – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**End - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Half Term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024**

**Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024 (during Half Term)**

#### **Second Half (38 Days)**

**Start - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024**

**End – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> 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).**