



St Saviour's

Church of England Primary School

AUTUMN 1, WEEK 2

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

RECEPTION TRANSITION

This week, we welcomed all of our Reception children into their classes as they took part in their transition into primary school. I was treated to a visit from some of the children as they walked around the school, familiarising themselves with key areas. In class, the children were so engrossed in their activities that they did not notice me pop in to see how they were getting on!



Y6 RESIDENTIAL

Y6 have had a busy first full week as they headed off to Gilwell Park on Wednesday for their residential. Three days of team building and activities that challenged them physically and mentally, the children conquered fears, developed friendships and found skills they didn't know that they had! A big 'thank you' to the staff that volunteered their time to make it a success.

MEET THE TEACHER COFFEE MORNINGS

As the children settle into a new academic year, we look forward to inviting parents and carers into school in the week beginning 25th September 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



JEANS FOR GENES

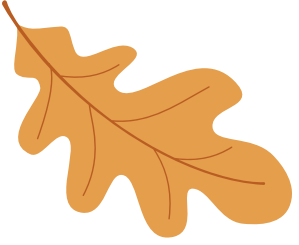
On Friday 22nd September, we will be taking part in 'Jeans for Genes' day where the children can come to school in jeans instead of their school trousers or skirts. We will have buckets on the school gates for any voluntary donations that you are able to offer.

As we begin a new term, I would like to thank parents and carers for your ongoing support. I look forward to sharing and celebrating the achievements and transformational growth of your children throughout this academic year in line with St Saviour's school vision:

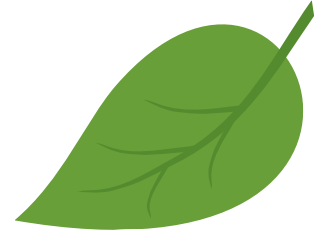
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Yours faithfully,
Miss Cherry

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



Y6 RESIDENTIAL GILWELL PARK 2023



STARS OF THE WEEK!

The teachers could not choose this week as all of the class settled so well back into school for the start of term. A huge 'well done' to all classes for being superstars this week. I am delighted to say that from Friday 22nd September, we will be inviting parents of stars to attend our celebration assemblies. After teachers have selected their stars, we will be making telephone calls to those parents on the Wednesday to invite you to the Friday assembly.



Reception Martin Luther King
Reception Helen Keller



Y1 Jane Goodall
Y1 Amelia Earhart



Y2 Emmeline Pankhurst
Y2 David Attenborough



Y3 Rosa Parks
Y3 Albert Einstein



Y4 Maya Angelou
Y4 Nicholas Copernicus



Y5 Stephen Hawking
Y5 Marie Curie



Y6 Anne Frank
Y6 Stevie Wonder



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ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



Well done to **Year 1 Jane Goodall**, **Year 2 Emmeline Pankhurst** & **Year 3 Albert Einstein** who have won the attendance mascots this week with 100% attendance.

What an incredible start to the term!

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 begin again from Monday 25th September. Information will be sent out next week with details of the clubs to choose from and how to sign up.

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.

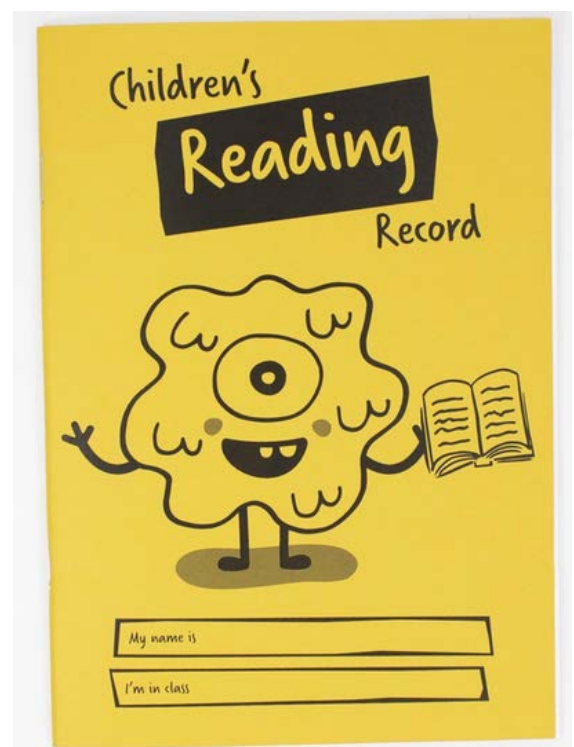


READING RECORDS

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 Athlete Event Whole School 	26	27 School Nurse Drop In 9.30-10.30 	28	29	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).