



St Saviour's

Church of England Primary School

AUTUMN 1, 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,

HARVEST SERVICE

On Thursday, we attended a Harvest service at St Saviour's Church. It was wonderful to gather together for the first time this autumn term and think about what we are thankful for. Thank you for all of your generous donations which will be gratefully received from members of the community who are in need.



Y1 POSTAL MUSEUM

Year 1 had a brilliant time at the Postal Museum this week! The children completed lots of maths postal challenges where they sorted the parcels by shape and weight and then delivered them to the correct addresses using their knowledge of odd and even numbers and their 2 times table. They also had lots of fun in the role play area where the children could dress up as post people and create their own narratives. They organised the letters and parcels at the sorting office, weighed and stamped the post at the Post office and then delivered them to the different houses. The children also went on an exciting train ride to discover the role the trains had over the years in delivering post. All Year 1 students wowed us with their role model behaviour in representing St Saviour's whilst on the trip and they demonstrated wonderful teamwork throughout the day!

BOOK FAIR

I am pleased to say that the Scholastic Book Fair will be returning next week on 11th October and will be with us until Wednesday 18th October so please come along to see what books will be on the shelves this year!

I would like to end with a quote from Maya Angelou which reminds us to encourage, inspire and support others: **'When you get, give. When you learn, teach.'** - **Maya Angelou**

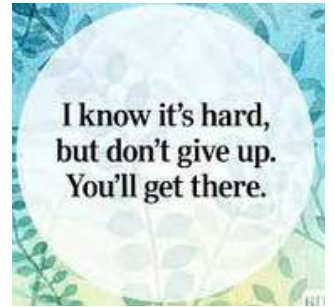


Yours faithfully,
Miss Cherry



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in collective worship, our theme was 'encouragement'. We looked at why it is important to give encouragement to others and that it is equally important to receive encouragement. We discussed the story of Barnabas who was known as the 'son of encouragement' because he was constantly encouraging those around him. As the apostles worked to spread the good news and grow the church, Barnabas played a large role in encouraging and connecting people. He put his reputation on the line to encourage the apostles to accept Paul after his conversion. This story links closely to our school vision as our Bible verse "Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think" is taken from the story of Paul's conversion.



What can we do to show encouragement?

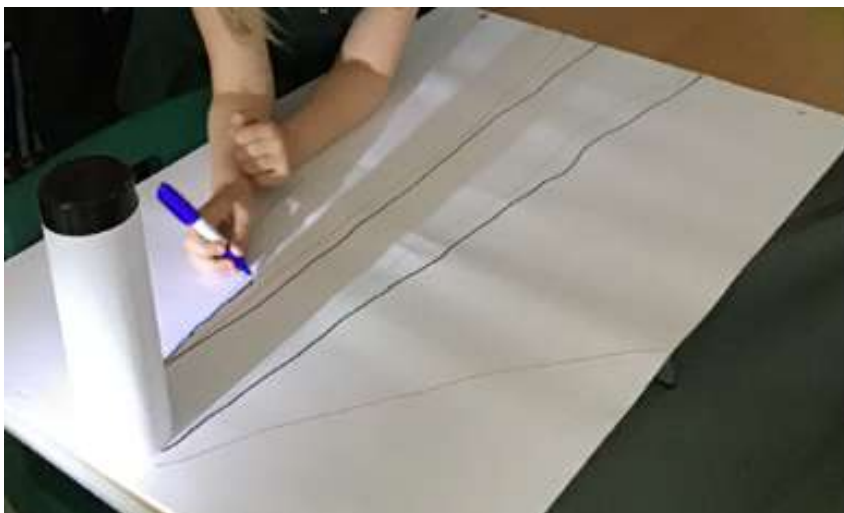
God teaches us to be encouraging to all those around us, as well as surrounding ourselves with people, who will encourage us. We should always be looking for ways we can bless someone with our words or actions because there is great power in encouraging each other.

Y3 CLASS CORNER

In Year 3, we have been very busy exploring the Ancient Greek civilisation and discovering where light comes from and how it travels.

This week we had to debate whether the World we live in today has been influenced by the Ancient Greeks and we all agreed that there are many ideas and inventions that were originally from that time in history, such as 'Democracy' and 'The Olympics'. We were also able to say what was different. As an example, only rich free men could vote in City-states but today, anyone over 18 has the right to vote in most countries. Did you know that it was the Greek philosopher, Aristotle, who said that the world was not flat? We have become mini-encyclopaedias about our topic so please come and ask us for more information!

In Science, we have also discovered that light travels from natural and artificial sources in straight lines and that a shadow is cast if an object prevents light travelling through it. We tested if the shadow will change if the light comes from different directions or if it was closer/further to the object. Do you know how you can make a shadow bigger?



We have been fascinated with the Greek Myths that we have read in Literacy and are now writing a report about the mythical beasts and Greek heroes that we have encountered in our reading and writing journeys. How amazing are we!



VALUES CARD COLLECTORS

A huge 'well done' to Maya in Y4 who has already collected 10 values cards. What a superstar!



COUNCILLORS' CORNER



Learning Council met to discuss their role for the term and how they would be supporting learning throughout the school. This week, Learning Council introduced a 'word of the day' to support each class with their vocabulary. They also discussed the importance of a tidy learning environment and worked hard to organise the library area for their peers. Each week, the children will come up with different ways to support learning.



Eco Council will be meeting to discuss their role in spreading awareness about environmental issues and how they can do their best to lead change this term. They will choose a topic to focus on and will deliver an assembly to promote their ideas. They will come up with an action plan, focussing on how they will nurture the environment around them.



School Council spent some time speaking to their peers and finding out how the children felt about some important questions such as, 'What do you enjoy about school?' The children will be discussing key questions relating to pupil voice and will be acting upon the answers as the term progresses.



Worship Council worked hard to prepare for our Harvest Festival service at church this week by reminding their peers about harvest donations and writing prayers for the service. They did a fantastic job of supporting other classes in church to make sure the service ran smoothly. This term, Worship Council will continue to focus on writing and delivering prayers in assembly as well as ensuring reflection areas in the school are organised and engaging.



Sports Council have had a very exciting start including introducing a gymnast named Steve Frew during an inspirational assembly. They also introduced 'The Weekly Mile' at lunchtimes, encouraging pupils to stay fit and run laps around the field. The children will continue to come up with fun ways for the pupils to keep fit throughout the term.

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.



ST SAVIOUR'S SPEECH COMPETITION

TOPIC: Where do you 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.**

STARS OF THE WEEK!



Year 1: Safwan & Jonah



Year 2: Elliott & Eliana



Year 3: Nyiarah & Celeste



Year 4: Ry'Annah & Maya



Year 5: Daniel & Kiara



Year 6: Sabrina & Jasine



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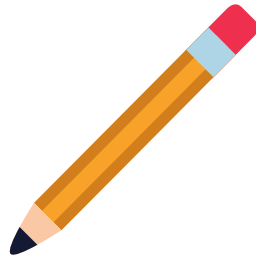


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PRESENTATION AWARD WINNERS



Y1: Soraya & Isaac



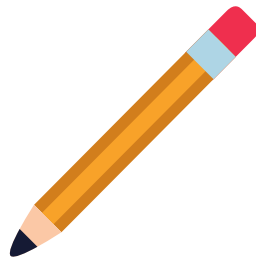
Y2: Elodie



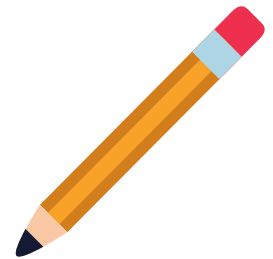
Y3: Shiloh & Chekinah



Y4: Markus & Yan



Y5: Ingrid & Lemeha



Y6: Aaisha & Matthew

PROGRESS CUP WINNERS

A huge well done to **Reuben & Shadee** who are this week's Progress Cup winners!



KS1 Progress Cup

Reuben Year 2



KS2 Progress Cup

Shadee Year 5



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ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



Well done to **Year 1 Jane Goodall** with **100%**
&
Year 4 Copernicus with **100%**
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.

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.

OCTOBER 2023

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
						1
2	3	4 Year 1 trip to The Postal Museum 	5 Harvest Festival Service 	6  Year 2 DA Forest School Session	7	8
9	10 Big Live Assembly Black History Month 	11 Book Fair 	12 Book Fair 	13 Book Fair  Year 3 RP Forest School Session	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 3 AE Forest School Session 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					

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	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	14	15	16 Mr Bubbleworks Y1 - Y6 STEM Week	17 Year 5 MC Forest School Session  Children in Need - Wear something Spotty 	18	19
20 Odd Socks Day! 	21	22  School Nurse Drop in 9.30 - 10.30	23	24  Year 5 SH Forest School Session	25	26
27	28	29	30			



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).