# Newsletter





#### December 2019

Dear parents and carers,

I have been very proud of our children this term. They have worked so hard and genuinely tried hard to be the very best that they can be. It was a fitting end to a long term for the children as the choir literally shone at they represented our school at the Civic Carol Service this week.

I would like to thank everyone for their support this term and on behalf of everyone at All Saints I wish you all a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas. We look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 7th January.

Very best wishes,

Andy Mawdsley **Headteacher** 



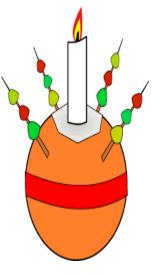


### **Christingle Service**

The children had a wonderful time making their Christingles in preparation for our service. Thank you to all those who were able to join us in school.

I would also like to thank the members of Christchurch for their kind donation of the oranges and also to St Barnabus Church Grange Park in Loughborough for the very kind donation of the sweets.

The children very much enjoyed learning all about the tradition and the meaning of all the parts of the Christingle.









### **Pantomime Fun**

This year all the children went to see Dick Whittington at the Century Theatre at Snibston.
Children and staff had a great time singing and shouting in traditional pantomime style. We were very lucky to be joined in school by the main characters before the children went to the theatre. They even performed a small part of the show for us and visited the classrooms to meet the children and answer questions.

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## Christmas Carol Service

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for our Key Stage 2 Carol Service. Our children performed superbly well; singing, telling jokes and retelling the Christmas story. Thank you to you all for actively taking part which included the teacher and parent wrapping challenge, eventually won by Miss Harcourt! A big thank you also to all our staff for the hard work and effort which has gone in to preparing for and organising all our Christmas performances this year.



### **All Saints Launches New Curriculum**

### - Journeys of Discovery

We will be officially launching our new curriculum in January. All Saints Journeys of Discovery will bring together all areas of the curriculum including English, geography, history, science, music, art, design and technology and computing to provide a stimulating, engaging learning experience for our children.

In the Spring Term the children in Year 5 and 6 will be learning all about beasts of all shapes and sizes, Year 3 and 4 will be learning all about the Romans and Celts as they step back in time and Year 1 and 2 will be studying their own history and what life was like for children in the past in the theme 'Memory Box'. Our youngest children in reception will continue to cover a range of learning which will continue to include Welly Wednesdays. They will have some exciting topic days when they look in depth at science, geography and history projects.



# Leicester Cathedral Advent Service



A small group of our Year 6 children alongside our Religious Education and Collective Worship leader, Mrs Faulconbridge were fortunate to have the opportunity to attend the Advent Service at Leicester Cathedral earlier this month. We are very grateful to Christchurch and the Alderman and Newton Foundation for kindly supporting us with transport to the Church which was shared with Whitwick St. John Primary School. Thank you also to Leicestershire Diocese for a wonderful service which our children very much enjoyed.



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### **All Saints General Election 2019**

To give our children the opportunity to be involved in the National General Election and to learn all about British values and our democratic process, we held our very own All Saints General Election. The children in Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed the process of agreeing policies and electing leaders and deputy leaders to represent our four parties: Vision, Tomorrow, Progress and Transform.

Following much debate, all our children voted and the winning party was Progress. Pictured below are our leaders and deputy leaders at the count in Westminster.





#### **Considerate Parking**

Thank you to all parents who park considerately and ensure that children are safely brought into school. A polite reminder however to all parents not to park in private residence parking spaces across the road from the school or in places which will restrict the movement of traffic before and after school. Thank you for your support.



#### **Parent and Grandparent Readers**

If any parents, carers or grandparents have any spare time in the afternoons and would be willing to come into school and listen to our children read, we would be most grateful. If you are able to can you please let the office know and we can make the appropriate arrangements. Thank you.



# Parent Teachers Association More Help Needed Please

A big thank you to the Parent Teachers Association for all their ongoing support. Recently they have organised the Christmas Fair, which raised £594.80 towards opportunities for our children in school. They paid for the Christmas crackers for our Christmas dinner and they continue to fund a wide range of opportunities that would not be possible without their support.

I would like to thank Miss Fraser and all those involved in the PTA for all their hard work and efforts on behalf of the children.

We do however need more volunteers to support with ideas and the running and organisation of events. If you are able to help out please let the office know or speak to Miss Fraser in Bears class. Thank you.



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### Saints Sport December 2019





### **Second Gold Sports Award for All Saints Primary**

For the second year in a row we were delighted to be awarded the School Games Gold Award at the North West Leicestershire Sports Awards.

We have received the award for outstanding commitment to Physical Education and School Sport. This is very much down to the hard work and commitment of Mr Barney, our sports coach, who works tirelessly to provide a wide range of opportunities for our children, making sure that everyone is involved and enjoys taking part in sport.





### Badminton team make the final four

Well done to all the children who took part in the Year 5 badminton competition at the Hermitage Leisure Centre. The children have loved taking part in badminton in school this term, which has very kindly been led by local badminton coach Carole Spencer. Both of our teams played confidently and very much enjoyed the competition, eventually reaching the semi-finals. Well done to everyone and thanks to Carole for her time and commitment.



### **Football team into Kirby Shield Quarter Finals**

Well done to our Year 5 and 6 football team who have now qualified for the guarter finals of the Kirby Shield; a competition for all schools in North West Leicestershire and one in which All Saints has historically enjoyed a good reputation for success.

In our final game of the group stages we worked had and played well to beat Packington 3 - 1 to ensure we progressed into the next round to be played in January. A great achievement which continues our unbeaten run in all football games this season.





