



All Saints CE Primary School

Friday News



Friday 23rd March 2018

Executive Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Porter

Chair of Governors: Mrs Jean Smith

COMING UP	
Monday 26 th March	PTFA Easter Egg Hunt
Thursday 29 th March	Easter Service 2.15pm
Thursday 29 th March	Last day of term
Tuesday 17 th April	Children return to school

A message from Miss Porter & Mr Giffard:

Despite the forecast, we didn't really believe the snow last weekend would come! It's great for the children as we see it so infrequently but I'm sure the adults would much rather have had sunshine. Given the slightly shorter week, the children have worked hard to make up for the day missed on Monday and have shown great determination in their learning this week whilst also working hard to begin practising for the Easter Service. We hope you will be able to join us and look forward to seeing you in Church next Thursday afternoon. Congratulations to the children that took part in the Devon Cross Country Finals at Paignton yesterday and thank you to the parents that kindly transported and supported the team for the day.

Given the wintry conditions we had less than a week ago, it seems strange to be saying don't forget to put the clocks forward this weekend to mark the start of British Summertime!

With best wishes,

Miss Porter & Mr Giffard

Values & Learning Behaviour Certificates

Congratulations to the following children who have received certificates this week:

Values Certificates:

Sammy Corrin – courage – for showing courage in his independent learning, **Freya Binion** – trust – for being teachers assistant and for helping others, **Oli Gabb** – courage – by being courageous before and after the Devon Cross Country finals, **Stephanie-Rose Hibbs** – friendship – by always being helpful and holding the doors open for everyone after playtime.

Learning Behaviour Certificates:

Eva Apsey – independence – for showing independence by using the computers to practice her phonics, **Zachary McGahey** – reflectiveness – by using his knowledge well in assessments, **Lola Martin** – resilience – for trying in every cross country this season, even though she didn't really want to, **Lucas McGahey** – independence – for independence in his learning.



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THE CHILDREN'S WEEK

Class 1 - This week in class 1 the children have learnt about St Patrick's Day. They wrote a sentence about cheeky leprechaun's, cut out and placed pictures of shamrocks in size order and also had a lot of fun mixing paint to make different shades of green.

Class 2 – It totally threw me missing Monday with the snow and we have been playing catch-up ever since. The children have taken the end of term assessments in their stride and all performed brilliantly and with great confidence. We have also managed to fit in more work on Traction Man, some partitioning for addition in maths and writing some lovely acrostic poems in RE, along with retelling the Easter Story. I think the highlight has been science and exploring our senses of taste and smell.

The children tasted lemons, watercress, dark chocolate (90%), crisps, fudge and jelly beans to test if they could distinguish salt, sweet, sour and bitter tastes. They also had containers with mystery things to sniff and guess what the smell was; some of the guesses were hilarious.

The contents were mints leaves, marmite, honey, vinegar, oranges and stilton cheese.

Class 3 – Another shorter week – what weather! In between swimming, painting and using clay and cotton ear buds to create 3d flowers we have looked at and discussed the Easter story before writing the Easter story in our own words and we have completed lots of end of term English and Maths assessments. I have been really impressed by the mature way all the children have completed their assessments, their willingness to give things a go and with all the marbles they have earned, there's not many more left before we can celebrate with another marble treat!

Class 4 – This week in class 4 we have had our end of term comprehension and maths assessments. In maths we have been focusing on word problems and in English we have been planning and writing a television news report which we will film next week. We have also made or Easter symbols for the church service.

Devon Cross Country Finals – Paignton

Our mighty Year 3 / 4 runners travelled all the way to Paignton on Thursday to take part in the Devon Finals. Qualifying for this event was a massive achievement in its self. As a 'village school' we had already punched above our weight by winning the local competition at Colyton Grammar and the regional competition at Bickton College and now we were competing against the best 16 primary schools in Devon. Our team of 6 had trained hard; on my way home I've seen George running the country lanes and Oli even beat chicken pox to make the start line. Before the race, the children had fun trying out fencing, rugby, football and different athletic events, including sprinting with a parachute attached to their backs. We walked the 1 mile, muddy course prior to the race and discussed tactics. As these were the 'finest' runners in Devon it was a fast pace, this didn't faze the children who gave everything and made all of the supporting parents proud. 96 children took part and the first four children home from each school had their finishing positions totalled, the lower the score the better.

Alec Hurst finished an amazing 8th; Ruben Baulch finished a great 14th; George Manning a strong 43rd; Alex Dixon a determined 63rd; Ollie Loukes a muddy 66th and Oli Gabb a gut busting 75th

Overall the team finished 7th out of the 16 schools there, 7th in Devon – amazing.

Thank you as well to Mr Gabb, Mr Loukes and Mr Manning, Mrs Hurst and Mrs Dixon who helped drive the children all the way to Paignton and supported them throughout the day.

Stockland Cross country

On Wednesday it was the final cross country of the season. What a difference a few days and weeks make, the previous race was cancelled due to heavy snow but conditions could not have been more perfect this week for running, sunshine and a warm 9 degrees centigrade. For the 1st time under the new transport rules, we shared a coach with St Marys, this resulted in a longer day but I was amazed by the fantastic behaviour of the children on the coach and at Stockland, I, unlike other teachers, did not have to remind any All Saints child about proper behaviour – they were all brilliant. For the first time this season I was able to field a full strength squad in each age category. We had some great final results, Alec Hurst finished 3rd in the race and 2nd overall for the season.

Ruben Baulch finished 3rd overall for the season and for the first time in my 10 years at All Saints we won a team event, the Year 3 / 4 boys won their age category, congratulations to Alec, Ruben, Alex Dixon, Alex Burrough and Oli Gabb who have all ran and supported over the season.



Reading Challenge

Can you read a traditional story – why not find out about your parent's favourite book as a child and talk to them about it.

The **MORE** that you **READ**,
the more **THINGS** you will **KNOW**.
The **MORE** you **LEARN**,
the more **PLACES** you'll **GO!**
~ Dr. Seuss

Thank you for your continued support,
The All Saints Staff Team

Community Events & Notices

DM Coaching - Easter Holiday Football Camps

Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th & Thursday 12th April. 8.15am - 9am Drop off. Football camp 9am - 3.30pm. Movie Club (Film) 3.30 - 5.15pm. Children 5-13 years old welcome. Price £12-15 per day. 3 day special £30. Contact Dan Murnane 07845 498057 for more details or dmcoaching@hotmail.co.uk

Kilmington Village Hall - Quiz Night - Friday 23rd March - 7pm for a 7.30pm start

Tickets £10 in advance, £11 on the night includes supper. Teams of 4-6, licensed bar, raffle. Tickets available from Flamingo Pool Axminster 01297 35800 or Jane Broom 01297 34427.

EXETER ACES CYCLE SPEEDWAY - SATURDAY 24TH MARCH - FLOODLIGHT SWITCH ON EVENING - CANCELLED.

Unfortunately, due to the recent bad weather, and especially the snow on Sunday, the track has been inspected and is deemed too dangerous for racers to ride on. The track will not dry out for Saturday, and if we were to go ahead this would possibly invalidate the insurance if riders were to get injured. Please accept the Aces & my apologies for the short notice, but I'm sure you understand the situation. When a new date has been decided, we will let you know.

Forest School Activity Days

The days are led by a Level 3 qualified Forest School Practitioner.
Where: East Devon Riding Academy, Branscombe, near Sidmouth
When: Various dates in the school holidays
Who for: Children aged 6-12, parents are not required to stay.

Jack and the Beanstalk - a giant Easter open-air family panto - tickets from £6 - 12th - 14th April 2018

Connaught Gardens, Sidmouth. cityoflighttheatre.co.uk Tel: 01395 516441. Evenings 7pm, Sat: 2pm & 7pm.

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