

All Saints' Newsletter – 4th October 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank to everyone who was able to join us for our Parent Information Evenings earlier in the term, it was lovely to welcome everyone into school and see the children so enthusiastic and proud to show off their work and classrooms.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

The School Council are delighted to announce that their MacMillan Coffee Afternoon has raised an enormous £378.20!! It was wonderful to see so many parents, grandparents and friends supporting them on the afternoon! Everyone has been so generous with their time and donations and we are sending a huge thank you to everyone for helping to make the afternoon such a success. We are incredibly proud of the contribution the School Council are making. For anyone who would still like to donate the link on Arbor is still open.



PTA

The NEON disco on Friday 6th October is fast approaching! We are looking forward to a great night of dancing and activities. Tickets can be purchased on the evening.

Languages Day

Thank you to all parents who were able to give up their time to visit school and classes to share their knowledge of different languages this week – a full report of the day and events will be in the next newsletter.

Disabled Parking bays

A polite reminder that the Disabled Parking bays should only be used where children or families have a disability and are not general parking bays. We have several families in school who need these and have recently been unable to park safely. Please park considerately and remember that some disabilities and access needs may not always be visible.

School, Food, Sports and RE Councils

Our councils have been selected for this academic year – mostly via class votes. They provide a great opportunity for children to get involved in the decision-making process at school, to give direct chances for pupils to have their voice heard and for individuals to take on roles of responsibility and to represent their peers. Well done to all those involved this year (and with apologies to those absent for this photoshoot!)



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School Council (led by Mrs Fox)



RE Council (led by Mrs Simmonds)





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Sports Council (led by Mr Pickering)



Food Council (led by Mrs McCluskey)





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Headteacher Awards

Our Headteachers Awards continue to be a real celebration of the children and how well they embody the values we hold as a school. It is a delight to be able to award them each week and hear the wonderful comments from the teachers - we are all very proud of them!

KS1



KS2





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News from EYFS

In reception we have been very busy. We are learning to write our names each day and practising the correct letter formation.

In our outdoors area we have set up a brilliant police station as a role play area. It has been lots of fun. We are dressing up as police officers and wearing police clothes. It has been a very busy time chasing all the suspects in our class and sending them to jail!



Thank you to all the parents who attended the phonics and reading presentation that we delivered last Wednesday evening. If you were unable to attend, we will put the presentation on to the website.



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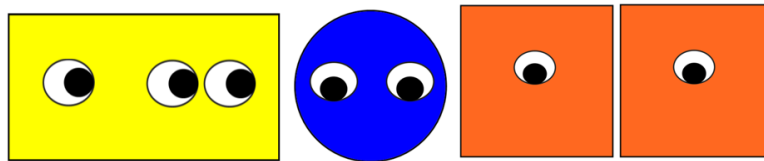
News from KS1 and KS2



Focus on Music!

There has been some wonderful music playing out across school over the first few weeks of term. The children have been focussing on **SHAPE RHYTHMS** in their curriculum lessons, whilst many have also been involved in music in other settings around school too. Even the teachers have got involved via some very fun and interactive staff development sessions!

A shape rhythm...



Translated into musical notation...



Bradford Music Service lessons, our school choir and performers in Collective Worship are all up and running...





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Year 1 have been investing the difference between beat and rhythm, using the 'My Turn, Your Turn' technique with clapping and body percussion.



Year 2 have been applying their beat and rhythm knowledge to their song practice.



Year 3 have been having fun following, and creating, rhythms using their beaters.





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Year 4 have been drumming on the chairs!



Year 5 have been experimenting with their 'Bamboo Tamboos' – working in three groups to create pieces that combine different elements of pitch and rhythm.



And finally, our Year 6 children have been trying to follow, and create, 'cup' routines!





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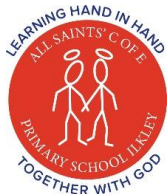
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Extra-Curricular Events: Quicksticks Hockey

The first event of the Ilkley Grammar School Primary Sports League (PSL) is up and running, with a weekly 'Quicksticks' hockey coaching session taking place for some of our Year 4 and 5 children. Taking place on the AstroTurf pitches at Ben Rhydding Sports Club, the group are being given expert tuition for a few weeks before learning more of the finer aspects of gameplay through mini-tournament matches. At the time of writing, there are 3 places available should your (Y4/5) child wish to join in the fun until half-term!



For the Autumn 2 and Spring terms, the PSL will focus on football for Y5 and Y6. Watch out for details coming soon as we get our squads together (there will be separate events for boys and girls).



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Cross Country races start on Saturday 7th October with the Westville House event at Ilkley Rugby Club. If not already done so, please contact our school office if your child is interested in taking part (all year groups!).

Diary Dates

There are a few additions to the diary dates for the year so please look out for those highlighted. We will continue to update them when further events are finalised.

Best wishes,
Helen Dunn

DIARY DATES

| DIARY DATES | Date |
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| PTA Neon Disco | 6.10.23 |
| Cross Country Westville House, Ilkley Rugby Club | 7.10.23 |
| Year 1 Parent lunches | 9.10.23- 19.10.23 |
| Cross Country, Addingham (KS2 only) | 14.10.23 |
| Year 5 Harvest Festival Performance | 17.10.23 |
| Parent Consultation Evening | 31.10.23 |
| Parent Consultation Evening | 2.11.23 |
| Year 2 Parent Lunches | 13.11.23 -24.11.23 |
| Reception Stay and Play | 13.11.23 |
| 3S Class Collective Worship and class visit | 14.11.23 |
| Reception Stay and Play | 15.11.23 |
| Reception Stay and Play | 17.11.23 |
| Children in Need Day | 17.11.23 |
| Cross Country, Ghyll Royd | 18.11.23 |
| 3W Class Collective Worship and class visit | 21.11.23 |
| Reception Nativity | 5.12.23 |
| PTA Christmas Fair | 9.12.23 |
| Carol Service Year 3 and Year 4, All Saints' Church | 12.12.23 |
| Year 1 + 2 Carols and Mince Pies, All Saints' Church | 13.12.23 |
| 4PH Class Collective Worship and class visit | 9.01.24 |
| Year 3 Parent lunches | 15.01.24-26.01.24 |
| 4H Class collective worship and class visit | 16.01.24 |
| 5C Class collective worship and class visit | 30.01.24 |
| 5Q Class collective worship and class visit | 6.02.24 |
| Year 1 St Valentine's Performance | 9.02.24 |



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| Cross Country, Ben Rhydding | 3.02.24 |
| Parent Consultation Evening | 20.02.24 |
| Parent Consultation Evening | 22.02.24 |
| 6J Class collective worship and class visit | 27.02.24 |
| Cross Country, All Saints' (Ilkley Lido) | 2.03.24 |
| Year 4 Parent lunches | 4.03.24 -15.03.24 |
| 6B Class collective worship and class visit | 12.03.24 |
| Drama group performance | 15.03.24 |
| Reception Spring Show | 22.03.24 |
| 2F Class collective worship and class visit | 16.04.24 |
| Year 5 parent lunches | 22.04.24-3.05.24 |
| 2BD Class collective worship and class visit | 23.04.24 |
| Year 2 May performance - Pentecost | 3.05.24 |
| 1M Class collective worship and class visit | 7.05.24 |
| KS2 SATS | 13.05.24-16.05.24 |
| 1MS Class collective worship and class visit | 21.05.24 |
| Year 6 Residential | 10.06.24 -14.06.24 |
| Year 6 and Reception parent lunches | 17.06.24-28.06.24 |
| Year 6 Leavers' Service | 18.07.24 |
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