

Saighton C.E. Primary School & Pre-School
Newsletter 6th November 2018
'Nurturing Children in a Christian Environment to
Achieve Excellence'



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Messages From The Head:

Staffing Updates

We have said farewell to our teaching assistant Mrs Kelley Barlow who has decided to embark on new opportunities. We wish her every happiness for the future and thank her on behalf of the School for her commitment over the last ten years.

We have also said a farewell (for now) to Mrs Amy Birtwistle who has gone on her maternity leave. Her baby is due in November and we'll update you on her news in due course. We are still recruiting for her maternity cover and will let you know who we appoint. In the interim, Miss Annie Thake from our Sunrise and Sunset Club will be covering temporarily.

The Seedlings

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Ms Tina Handley as our new Pre-School Leader of The Seedlings; she will join us from 14th November and we look forward to welcoming her to the team. Ms Handley is a very experienced early years practitioner and joins us from Huntington Under 5s where she has worked for the last nine years. Please note that between today and 14th November, Pre-School will be led by Mrs Daniela Pilliner from our school team. The children are all familiar with Mrs Pilliner and has been working closely with Miss Holding since September. Mr Chris Moss has moved on to new ventures and we wish him well for the future. We would also like to thank Miss Lucy Holding, who has covered in recent weeks and who will remain in the Pre-School this half term while we interview for a permanent Pre-School Assistant.

Cross Country 20th October

Ronnie, Martha and Ingrid represented Saighton at the cross country on Saturday at Ellesmere Port Sports Village, where they all ran with determination, in what was a challenging course. We had a smaller than usual team, so it was good to see past pupils, Henry and George also running, representing their new high schools in the Year 7 race. Thank you to Mrs Tait who accompanied the Saighton children.

Girls Football

Well done to our newly established girls' football team who recently played in their first tournament! They were undefeated against Saughall, Dodleston B, Barrow and Dodleston A. A later match followed against Kelsall where we suffered a first defeat but all played so well against this well-established team. Miss Webster

Year 5 and 6 Football

Our thanks to Mr Dutton, Mr Birtwistle and Mr Spindler who supported our footballers against Tushingham just before the break. The team played incredibly well and finished with a winning score of 10-1. Mr Crompton

Remembrance Visit to Beeston Castle

We will be observing a silence on Friday 9th November during the school day. We are planning to take all of our pupils by coach to Aldford Church to see the silhouettes and will then travel to Beeston Castle where we will observe our silence overlooking the Cheshire hills. Our pupils are also warmly invited on Sunday 11th November to attend one of the services being held at Waverton, Aldford, Bruera (10.15am) or the service and parade at Huntington. Pupils may like to wear School, Scout, Brownie or Rainbow uniforms to these services.

School Council

Well done to the following pupils who have been elected by their peers and teachers to represent them on the School Council: Theo, Rosabella, Kallen, Poppy B, Esme, Matilda, Milan and Alfie T.

Infant Choir

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Ledger will be running an Infant Choir from this week. The Choir will meet each Wednesday lunchtime 12.30-1pm. Please meet in Belgravia from this week if you would like to attend.

Dinner Menus Update

Please note the new price of a dinner is £2.30. Week 1 choices are now available until 9am Thursday.

Book Fair Reminder

A reminder that our book fair will be on each day after school next week. Competition entries are due in by Friday 9th.

Sunrise & Sunset

Our wraparound care is proving very popular with the children. After a full month we are just about breaking even. We would ask all parents to consider using it sometimes to try to ensure that this new provision remains viable. ***Child care vouchers can be used by registering with the School's unique reference. Call the Office if you would like additional information.***

Carols around the Christmas Tree

Please join members of the Saighton Community on Friday 14th December at The Village Hall from 6pm.

Achievers of the Week Commencing 15th October 2018

The Seedlings- Reggie
 Eaton- Zeewa
 Grosvenor-Alfie
 Westminster- Ralph
 Cavendish- Joseff
 Headteacher's Award- Freddie

Achievers of the Week Commencing 22nd October 2018

The Seedlings- Joseph
 Eaton- Beatrice
 Grosvenor- Alice
 Westminster- Seb
 Cavendish- All pupils for Blackpool visit
 Headteacher's Award- Izzy Hunter

Prayer 'The God of the Trees' Chosen By Alfie

I will remember the buds of spring
 When summertime leaves are green;
 I will remember their rippling shade
 When colours of autumn are seen;
 I will remember the red and the gold
 When wintertime branches are bare;
 I will give thanks to the God of the trees
 Whose love reaches everywhere.
 Amen

Dates for your Diary

9 th November	Remembrance Visit to Beeston Castle
12 th November	Visit from Exotic Zoo
w/c 12th November	Book Fair Week!
14 th November	Y6 Crucial Crew Morning (Back by Lunchtime)
15 th November	PTA 7.30pm Village Hall
16 th November	Non-Uniform Come As Your Duck Day for Children In Need!
19 th November	Flu Vaccinations (Rec to Year 5)
28 th November	Eaton & The Seedlings visit to Chester Zoo
30 th November	Christmas Jumper Day
7 th December	Safari Ranger Visit for Wholeschool
7 th December	Christmas Fair – Alford Village Hall
13 th December	Advance Notice- Drop and Collect at Aldford Village Hall. Sunrise & Sunset will run as normal with staff transporting.
13 th December	Christmas Performance 6pm Aldford Church

14 th December	Carols Around the Christmas Tree- Village Hall 6pm
19 th December	Pantomime Visit- Storyhouse
21 st December	End of Term Church Service Aldford 9am