

All Saints CE First School

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Welcome Back

It has been really lovely to welcome all the children back to school. They have all returned and/or started well and have settled quickly into their new classes. The staff have all been very impressed.

Staffing Update

Mrs Brookes is continuing with her treatment and has completed the chemotherapy part of this and has started radiotherapy. She remains in good spirits and is looking forward to the end of this part of her treatment. She will therefore not be able to return to school this term but is hopeful that she can after Christmas if all continues to go as well as expected. I am sure all families will continue to wish her all the best going forward as we do in school. We are really pleased that Mrs Poole will remain with us until Mrs Brookes is well enough to return.

Over the holidays they have been some further updates to the staff team.

Mrs Snee, the headteacher of Hutchinson Memorial CE First School in Checkley has resigned from her post and the Uttoxeter Learning Trust have placed Mrs Cairns as the permanent Executive Headteacher over this school as well. In order for this to be sustainable moving forward, the Trust have advertised and recruited two Deputy Headteachers so there is a team of three senior leads across the three schools. Mrs Manning and Mrs Harris have been appointed to these roles and you will start to see them in

Autumn Term Dates

Wednesday 11th September – Jordan visit

Thursday 19th September – Rev Joe visit

Friday 20th September – Flu Vaccines

Monday 23rd September – Open the Book Visit

**Thursday 26th January – Cross Country Competition
a@ TAHS 4 – 5pm**

**Monday 30th September – Full Governing Board
Meeting @ 6pm**

**Thursday 3rd October – Harvest Festival In All Saints
Church 1.30pm**

Monday 7th October – Open the Book visit

Monday 17th October – Rev Joe visit

**Friday 25th October – Courage Service in All Saints
Church @ 1.30pm all welcome**

Friday 25th October – End of Half Term

Monday 4th November – School Re-opens

MORE DATES TO FOLLOW NEXT TIME

school. Mrs Manning has a responsibility for teaching and learning and the curriculum and Mrs Harris for pastoral side and Special Educational Needs. This means that there will be a senior member of the staff on site in each school for the majority of each week.

I am sure you will all welcome both Mrs Manning and Mrs Harris to our school community.

PE days

Please could the children continue to wear their PE kits on PE days which are as follows:

Butterflies and Caterpillars – Wednesday
Bumblebees – Tuesday and Friday
Dragonflies – Tuesday and Friday

Sport's Competitions

We are committed to ensure the children in school have a wide range of extra- curricular activities. The children in Dragonflies will be invited to take part in the Trust's sporting calendar. The first one will be a cross country competition on Thursday 26th September from 4 – 5pm at Thomas Alleyne's High School. So start practicing!

Mini Mindfulness

We are delighted that Mrs Rushton-Plant from Mini-Mindfulness will visit school each fortnight to work with the children on mindfulness activities. Mini Mindfulness sessions encourage positive mindfulness and mindset 'superpowers' to feel more love, happiness, resilience, internal calm, focus and confidence. These can help to reduce stress and anxiety.