



# NEWSLETTER

Regular news updates from All Saints School, Lessingham

## KEY DIARY DATES

**28th January:** Year 8 HPV Immunisation

**29th January:** Scholastic Book Fair

**3rd February:** Order Year 11 hoodies

**7th February:** Year 11 reports home

**11th February:** KS4 Parent's evening

**17th-21st February:** Half Term

**12th March:** Options go to Year 9s

**16th-20th March:** Information Advice & Guidance Week

**19th March:** Option forms to be handed in

**26th March:** Spring Fayre

**27th March—17th April:** Easter Holidays

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## ATTENDANCE WATCH

Norfolk's attendance figure is 96%.

Our current figure is...**89.16%**

Our classes of the week with **100%** attendance are Yr 3/4, 9B and Yr 10

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

As a family we have been discussing what exciting things the new decade might bring us and reflecting on times gone by. My daughter asked me about some of my earliest memories as a child; I remember struggling to ride my bike without my stabilisers and my Dad sitting me down and telling me to keep trying, don't give up and if I try my best that is all I can ask of myself.

This message has stayed with me and is the essence of how I live my life today. In assembly last week, I explored the same message with the students and we discussed 'personal bests' from the work we do in school, how we interact with others, our behaviour in school, in the community, in the taxi and at home. I did explain to them that what is my best will be different to other people's best, and that we will know ourselves if we have given our best to all that we do. It has been wonderful to have students show me their personal best work, only a small proportion of which is shown in this newsletter and we will share more in coming newsletters.

Staff are also considering the same principle this term in regards to the curriculum; as a team we are reflecting upon what we are teaching, how we teach and how we ensure that we can get personal bests from all of our students. We will share with you more detail regarding the curriculum being taught over the coming newsletters.

## Achievements in school

**Year 11, we are super proud of your conduct and effort during mock week.**

Well done to all students who have made a good start to the new term. A special mention should also go to Caitlin C, Alesha and Aiden in year 9 who have had an exemplary week in school.

## Attendance

Research has shown there is a strong link between levels of attendance at school and levels of achievement. Children with high levels of attendance tend to gain better results in tests and examinations than children with lower attendance levels. We are committed to improving the achievement of all our students and, as part of that commitment, are seeking to improve levels of attendance.

Our target for attendance is 96%, which is in line with County guidelines. If a student falls below this, parents will be contacted by letter to make them aware and we ask that you take the necessary steps to ensure attendance improves. If it falls below 90% we will ask for an informal meeting to address any issues that might be negatively impacting on attendance.

If a child's attendance is at 90%, this is the equivalent of missing half a day of school each week. If a child's attendance is at 80% this is the equivalent of missing one day of school a week.

We are committed to support parents and carers in a non-judgemental way to ensure good attendance. Therefore, if you are experiencing difficulties in ensuring your child attends school regularly, please contact us as soon as problems arise so we are able to help you quickly and effectively.

## Achievements out of school



A busy five days at the Dunlop British Junior Open 2020 Squash tournament in Birmingham where Jasmine (Yr 9) was invited to play. Wonderful to see young players competing from all around the world. Jasmine's first game in the Girls Under 15s was against one of Egypt's top junior players, A formidable match to start the tournament with and although Jasmine won points the eventual outcome was perhaps predictable. However, from adversity has come a new international friendship.

## Year 9 College Assessment

This week year 9 students completed an assessment for Victoria Sponge cake. They looked and smelt amazing and we hope you enjoyed them. Well done Yr 9, you all worked really hard.



## Reminders

Please.....

If you are ordering school uniform, send payment with the form.

Due to safeguarding, mobile phones must be handed in to the school office at the beginning of the day. Do not send phones with your child unless absolutely necessary.

Ensure your child has a coat each day and that all items are named.

All students should have a named water bottle in school.

Our new website is up and running. Please take a look <http://www.allsaintslessingham.co.uk/>

Please follow us on twitter and share our tweets <https://twitter.com/ASLessingham>

## Junior Gnome Activity





## Personal Best Work

### Nuclear Power Station disasters

As of 2014, there have been more than 100 serious nuclear accidents and incidents from the use of nuclear power. Fifty-seven accidents have occurred since the Chernobyl disaster, and about 60% of all nuclear-related accidents have occurred in the USA.

Outstanding homework Caitlin.  
Next time more context and pictures please.



Caitlin—Yr9

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 History

Serious nuclear power plant accidents include the nuclear disaster (2017) and a disaster in (1986). The three mile island accident in (1979) and the SL-1 accident (1961). Nuclear power accidents can loss of life and large cost in remediation work.

The nuclear disaster is a series of equipment failures, malfunctions and releases of radioactive materials at the nuclear power plant following the earthquake on March 11<sup>th</sup> 2011. The plant has six separate nuclear reactors by the Electric Power company (TEPCO). The accident is the second biggest nuclear accident after the 1986 disasters but more complex as all reactors are involved.

The Chernobyl nuclear disaster is considered to have been the worst power plant accident in history and is one of two only classified as a level 7 event on the International nuclear event scales. (The other being the disaster in 2011).

An outstanding piece of homework Lulu - thank you.

Make it clear the names of the disasters.

Lulu—Yr 9

Fractions and percentages

1% =  $\frac{1}{100}$

7% =  $\frac{7}{100} = \frac{7}{10}$

10% =  $\frac{10}{100} = \frac{1}{10}$

50% =  $\frac{50}{100} = \frac{1}{2}$

56% =  $\frac{56}{100} = \frac{14}{25}$

50% =  $\frac{1}{2}$

25% =  $\frac{1}{4}$

75% =  $\frac{3}{4}$

Key points

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①  $\frac{5}{100} = 5\%$  ✓

② 70% drive  
30% don't drive ✓

③  $\frac{12}{100} = 12\%$  ✓

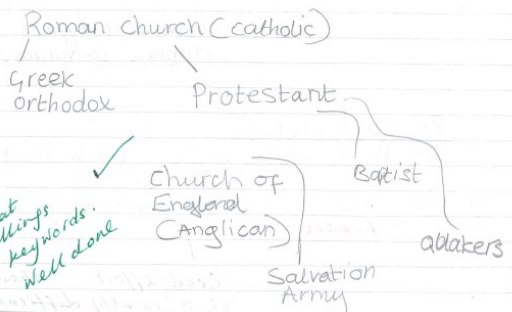
Luke—Yr 10

④

a)  $\frac{37}{100}$  ✓

b) 37% ✓

6<sup>th</sup> November 2021 Different churches.



Salvation Army

Baptist They have 7000 thousand churches around Britain.

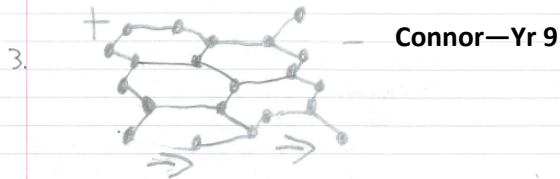
- looking after the very poor people
- helping the homeless
- Reuniting families.
- working in the prisons.
- helping people with learning difficulties.
- care for the elderly

Roman Catholic church.

- very old churches.
- Building look different.
- Dignity Big windows.

You were paying really good attention.  
Well done!

Grace—Yr 7



4. Is graphite used to reduce the friction between two surfaces that are rubbing together because graphite is a soft material that slips to touch.

5. Graphite can conduct electricity but diamond can't because graphite is a good conductor of thermal energy because more energy is transferred to the delocalised electrons.

Excellent notes again Connor,  
— very clear and detailed with accurate diagrams.

Please try to learn the difference between Ionic and Covalent bonding.

### More Personal Best Work

17.1.20

1 weather ✓

2 accept ✓

3 allow ✓

4 except ✓

5 allow ✓

6 accept ✓

7 whether x  $\frac{9}{10}$

8 effect ✓

9 whose ✓

10 who's ✓

Rebecca—Yr 4

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019

### Pollination and seed transfer

Pollination occurs when a Pollen grain from one flower gets to the ~~style~~ stigma of a different flower. A tube grows down the style into the ovary and then the Pollen joins with the ovule to form a seed.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019

### Variation

A species is a group of living things with similar features. Members of the same species can breed together to produce fertile offspring.

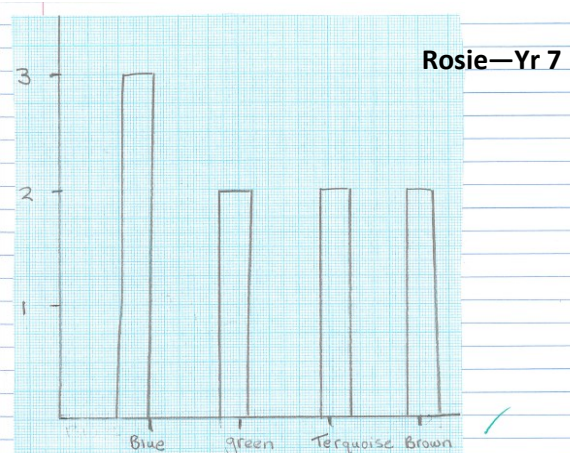
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019

| Name   | Eye colour  | Hair colour      | Hair length    | Shoe Size |
|--------|-------------|------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Jessie | Turquoise   | brown            | 5 center mated | 3½        |
| Grace  | blue        | strawberry blond | long hair      | 6½        |
| Hollie | dark green  | brown            | 4-6 center med | 6½        |
| Rosie  | light green | light brown      | shortest       | 2         |
| Haley  | brown       | mid brown        | short          | 4         |
| Taylor | Turquoise   | Dark brown       | short          | 4         |
| Paige  | blue        | blond            | long           | 4         |
| Leland | blue        | fair             | short          | 4         |
| Zak    | brown       | Mid brown        | short          | 10        |

Jessica—Yr 7

Very good data collection.



The most popular Eye colour is blue and the least popular Eye colour is green Turquoise and brown!

Excellent work Rosie  
— clear presentation and all completed  
— 1 House point