

# NEWSLETTER

Regular news updates from All Saints School, Lessingham

#### **KEY DIARY DATES**

9th July: End of term

3rd & 4th September: staff training
7th September: Students back in school
22nd September: KS2 Parents' evening
6th October: KS3 Parents' evening
14th-16th October:

- Residential : years 7, 8, 9 & 10
- Juniors: activity days
- Year 11: focussed exam period
   20th October: House rewards day
   22nd-30th October (incl): Half term week

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#### Numbers to contact for help

Miss Paffett: 07733 417296 Ms Dangerfield: 07552 710316

Norfolk children's support line: Text 07480 635060 or call 0344 800 8029

Childline online or by phone:

Anytime: 0800 1111

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

#### What an amazing year!

As my first year of headship comes to an end, it's time for me look back and reflect on the past 12 months. Of course I want to say a massive thank you to all of my wonderful staff for their hard work, commitment and endless contributions to the school. Of course I want to say a huge thank you to all of the students for being so brave and kind and hardworking through these unprecedented times; but I also want to say a massive thank you to all of you. As parents and carers it has been a phenomenally difficult time for you all. As a parent who is also trying to home school and work I know just how tough it is. Take a few moments as you read this to say well done to yourselves and think about just one precious moment that you wouldn't have had if it hadn't been for a global pandemic. There have been many good things that have come from these times and I do hope as individuals we hold onto these positives.

This year, we have made impressive progress in lots of areas. There is still plenty to do next year and I know that by working in partnership with our parents and carers we will continue to go from strength to strength. I have said before that we don't always get it right, but we do try to do everything we can to make the experiences that our young people have in and out of school the best we can. That's why the questionnaires that we are currently doing with the students and yourselves are so important; we want to see what else we can do to support you and how we make the transition back into school in September as easy as we can for you all.

Yesterday I took some time to read the latest government guidance around what September will look like. We already have most things in place and therefore we can easily continue with my original plan of a three week phased return and then everyone returned into the class bubbles. We already have some good systems in place around the taxi drop off and pick up, staggered breaks and lunches and cleaning surfaces and handwashing etc.

But before we think too much about next year we still have lots to do next week. Please do join us for the end of year service on Thursday at 1.45pm, where we will celebrate the achievements of all our students this year and will say goodbye and good luck to our Year 11's. The details of how to log in are in this newsletter and will be sent home during the week.

As I said, it's been an amazing year, probably one of the busiest of my career, but without a shadow of a doubt one of the best!

Thank you everyone and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

## **End of Year Service and Prize Giving**



Dear Students, Parents, Carers and Colleagues,

Please join us for our End of Year Service and Prize Giving on Thursday  $9^{\text{th}}$  July at 1:45pm.

When you go into your Teams, click accept and the invitation will automatically save on your Teams calendar which you will need to go to on the day to join the service.

Please could I ask when you join, to put yourselves onto mute and to turn your cameras off, in order for Ms Dangerfield not to receive feedback.

It is recommended for you to go via Google Chrome instead of Internet Explorer or via the Microsoft Teams App.

We look forward to seeing you all.

Best wishes, Miss King



# **Form Tutors for September**

Juniors: Mr Slater and Miss Czubaj

Year 7: Mrs Gatfield Year 8: Mr Morton Year 9: Miss Martin

Year 10A: Mrs Paterson and Mrs Hampton

Year 10B: Mrs Abigail and Mr Pinsent

Year 11: Mr Knights

We also welcome Emma Pratt as Welfare/Teaching Assistant. Emma will primarily support the needs of an individual student.

#### **MyMaths**

Years 8, 9 and 10 received a letter this week regarding MyMaths. This will be available through the summer break to help students get ready for September. It is an excellent resource to also support their maths learning at home.

#### **Reading through the Summer holidays**

Reading is a life-long skill. Please encourage your children to read, read, read as much as possible to keep learning going over the break, whether it is a magazine, a book or a favourite comic.

GCSE Results Day
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020
9.30am - 11.30am



Dear Students,

Here are a couple of reminders about Results Day, especially if you will not be here to pick up your results in person.

You will be able to collect your results from the hall from 9:30-11:30am. To adhere to the social distancing rules, can I ask that you enter from the front door and exit via the hall doors onto the back playing area.

If someone else is coming to pick up your results or you know that you're unable to make results day and would like your results e-mailed to you, then please complete the 'Candidate Permission Form' and send back to me before Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July. This has been e-mailed to your school e-mail accounts.

Any results not collected on the day will be posted by 1<sup>st</sup> class post that night to the last address we have on record. If you have moved or are moving, please make sure we have the correct address.

Have a lovely summer and enjoy the break – you all deserve it! I will be here, along with other staff, on Results Day to celebrate and to help with any last-minute queries regarding college places.

Best wishes, Miss King



### **Headteacher Awards**

Almost every student has received a Headteacher award during lockdown which demonstrates what amazing young people they are.

Our students have completed amazing school work and great projects. They have mastered new skills, learned to be resilient and we are proud of each and every one of them.



#### Message from Chair of the Advisory Board

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.

I think these words of Charles Dickens, written over 160 years ago, accurately reflect how the last few months have felt for all of us. We have seen, on a daily basis, the best of humankind in the worst of times. No more so than in our schools and in the staff who work in them.

As a Board we are immensely proud of the staff and pupils of All Saints. The wonderful staff team have worked hard to ensure that the school has remained open and that all pupils have been able to access education in some form.

Our pupils, in turn, have embraced this and continued their coursework and exam study thanks to the resources provided weekly by the staff. The staff have also been available to provide telephone and video support to pupils and parents as needed. We would like to say a huge thank you to every member of the school team.

This academic year has been a baptism of fire for our Headteacher!

The role of headship in 'the best of times' is daunting and exhausting, but in the last few months Mrs Dangerfield has shown herself to be a dedicated, hardworking problem solving and completely committed Headteacher, who has ensured that staff and pupils have been safe, happy and settled and that the school has been able to provide the high quality education of which we are all so proud. Mrs Dangerfield's commitment to the school has been outstanding and we are indebted to her for her leadership this year.

I would also like to thank the directors for their continued support. Although often behind the scenes, Mrs Gardiner and Mrs Smith ensure that the staff and pupils have everything they need to access the curriculum and go above and beyond to ensure that pupils and staff are happy and safe.

The Advisory Board has also had to learn new skills and adapt to a new normal. Zoom conference calling has become our means of holding meetings and interviewing staff as we have continued to offer our advice and support to the school's leadership team. All Saints is a wonderful school and we are delighted to be a small part of it.

On behalf of the Board may I wish you a safe and happy summer and let us hope that in September we begin to move from the season of darkness to the season of light, to quote Mr Dickens again!

Best wishes
Dr Corallie Murray
Chair of the Advisory Board

Thomas & Fraser (juniors) enjoying a game of chess



Emerson's book review



Daisy-Mae with her Roman soldier's shield



Elisa's creative
Art work





thew to Train Your Viking by Toothkess the Dragon: Translated from the Dragonese by Cressida Cowell.

What was your favourite part of

- What was your favourite part of
the book? Why?
My favourite fart of the
book was when Toothless
ate all the glow worms.
The reason I loved this part
Is because after he ate the
glow Worms, everyone could
see them at hight in his tumn

2 birth Character did you find most interesting? Cory?

The character most interesting was Tooth less. I liked him because when he was in the boat, all the fish were a thaced to him. About a thousand fish swam abound the boat and some jumped into the boot.



Charlie, yr 10 outside the Royal Hotel in Great Yarmouth. Charles Dickens stayed there whilst writing 'David Copperfield' in 1849. Charlie was researching the life of Dickens prior to studying 'A Christmas Carol' for GCSE English Literature.

> Rosie from yr 7 baked a cake at home



Students have prepared and cooked lots of wonderful creations during lockdown, with many learning new skills, under the

watchful eye of Mrs Senior.

They have done an amazing job and should be very proud of themselves.



Boyd, one of our new juniors in September



Leland, yr 7



Gemma helping Rebecca weighing ingredients



Thomas, yr 6



Anst A Market

Gemma, yr 9



Rebecca from juniors



Year 7 have been incredibly busy and have produced some outstanding work

#### Paige



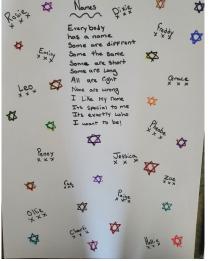


#### Rosie









# Jessica's sunshine Tree

There was a rope swing, we did mend.

Ages and Ages we played in the sun;

We were happy, we had so Much Fun.

He laghed and smiled all day long,

at one point we even sang a song.

We ate an apple it dribbled dawn our chin,

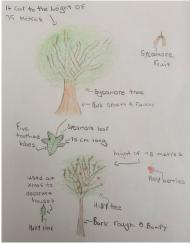
it was Really Juicey, it hade us grin.

We wipped off the Juice,

and played duck duck goose.

The alarm Went off on our phone,

So it ment it was time to go home.





Jessica



