

KEY DIARY DATES

October

5th: Individual and Sibling photographs
7th: HPV vaccinations—yr 8
11th-15th: Yr 11 mock week (1)
13th: Flu vaccinations
20th: House rewards day
21st-29th: Half term

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Numbers to contact for help

Ms Dangerfield: 07879 875925 Miss Paffett: 07733 417296 Norfolk children's support line: Text 07480 635060 or call 0344 800 8029

Farewell

We say goodbye and thank you to Mrs Spooner. We wish her well for the future.

Issue 1 – 17th September 2021 **NEWSLETTER**

Regular news updates from All Saints School, Lessingham

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

What a fantastic start to the term, everyone settled, working hard and showing the care and support that makes All Saints School such a wonderful place.

On our noticeboard by the office, it says:

When you

Enter this

Loving school

Consider yourself

One of the special

Members of this

Extraordinary family

Our new staff have commented on how welcoming everyone has been. Like with any family there are good times and not so good times, but we are always there for each other. As always please do get in touch if we can help in any way

Covid-19 Outbreak Management Plan

Our outbreak management plan describes how we will operate if there was a Covid-19 outbreak in school and when it may be necessary to implement additional measures to help manage the outbreak within our setting.

The measures contained in this plan state the actions we will consider to be implemented in response to the situation and in conjunction with the support and recommendations of other government agencies. When the school reaches its threshold, we will review and implement temporary measures.

Attendance restrictions will only be implemented as a last resort.

Our new COVID-19 Educational Settings Risk Assessment is now available to view on the school website. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this document:

https://www.allsaintslessingham.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/COVID19 -Educational-Settings-Risk-Assessment-September-2021.pdf

Reminders:

Uniform—Students change to winter uniform after October half term. Please visit the website to check you have everything your child needs. We also have some 2nd hand items, particularly smaller sized jumpers. Let us know if these would be useful even as spares - £1 per item.

Medication—All medication must come to the office with a completed form: https://www.allsaintslessingham.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Parental-Agreement-for-Adminstering-Medication-2015.pdf

PE Uniform—Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform for PE—all items are in stock: https://www.allsaintslessingham.co.uk/parents/uniform/

Message from the SENDCo:

We are in the process of organising and scheduling the EHCP reviews for the year. Meetings will continue to be conducted virtually on Zoom. You will be sent a link for the meeting a couple of weeks in advance and, in theory, if the technology isn't misbehaving, you should be able to click the link and it will take you through to the meeting!

Please can you complete the Parent/Carer's Wishes and Feelings document when it is sent out to you, and return it to school a few days before the meeting. We will also send out Child Views and Wishes but if you would prefer school staff to complete this with your child then please just let us know. It is very useful to have these views and wishes before the meeting so the time during the meeting can be spent discussing concerns and developing plans for moving forward.

I look forward to "seeing" you again during the forthcoming year.

Jo Paffett Deputy Head/SENDCo

Careers

Our careers adviser Ellen Alexander will be with us every 2-3 weeks, starting 17th September supporting years 9-11.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself.

My name is Ellen Alexander and I am a Level 6 qualified Careers Guidance Adviser.

I have many years' experience in supporting students with planning their next steps, be it college, sixth form or apprenticeships and have worked with a number of specialist schools and other providers in supporting young people with additional needs.

Some Year 11 students have already seen me to discuss their Post-16 plans and I have offered follow-up appointments with them, should they want support with the application process.

If you would like to discuss your son or daughter's next steps after All Saints School, do contact me at ealexander@beacon-east.co.uk copying in Miss King kking@allsaintslessingham.co.uk

Ellen Alexander,

Careers Adviser



Edfords Care Farm

Edfords Care Farm offers green space therapy for a wide variety of people looking to spend some time getting involved in traditional farming techniques while learning a host of new skills.

Edfords is fortunate enough to have some funded sessions available for schools and community groups, these are funded through DEFRA and are designed to engage people with farming and food as well as farming with nature.

Over the coming weeks, our plan is to take all students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10 to visit the farm and the Edford staff look forward to sharing their knowledge and passion with our students and staff.

If you do not wish for your child to take part in this vist, please email the office to let us know.

https://www.edfordscarefarm.co.uk/about-us/

Year 7 are studying "the instruments of the orchestra" this half term in music.

They tried out a violin, double bass and a harp.







Year 9 have been learning about the history of the pen and the written word. They have enjoyed trying out lots of different types of historic pens - including goose and seagull feathers. Leland brought in a huge blue quill and ink and Jessica brought in a book of calligraphy and we experimented with how to write our names with a quill and ink. To avoid making a mess we substituted the ink for paint! How does sound travel?





