

NEWSLETTER

Regular news updates from All Saints School, Lessingham

KEY DIARY DATES

Sept:

24th: Juniors trip to Time &

Tide and Bure Castle

29th: Gymnastics trip to North

Walsham

30th: GCSE Art trip to Sainsbury

Centre

Oct:

2nd: Juniors' trip to Mosque

and Cathedral

9th: Juniors' Parent /Carer Cafe

10th: Child Development trip

16th: Yr 10 & 11 Parents Evening

22nd: Upper Juniors trip to

Norwich Aviation Museum

22nd: Yr 7 Parent/Carer Café

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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

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Welcome Back!

Welcome to all our students and families and a **special warm welcome** to those who are new to our school community. It has been fantastic to see how quickly all of our students have settled back into school life.

We know that getting back into a routine after the holidays can be challenging and that tiredness is often a factor as our bodies and brains readjust. Please be reassured this is completely normal and things usually settle down in the first few weeks.

If you have any concerns, **please don't hesitate to talk to us**. We're here to help and by working together, we can ensure every young person feels supported, safe and ready to thrive.

Attendance Matters

Good attendance is essential to your child's success at school. Every day counts and we all play a part in helping students be in school, on time and ready to learn.

What YOU must do:

- Call the school before 9:00am on each day your child is absent.
- **Inform us in advance of any medical appointments**—we may need to see appointment cards or letters as evidence.
- Let the taxi company know if your child is not attending school
- When in doubt, send them in. We will always call you if we feel they should go home.
- Have a backup plan in case your child misses their usual transport could a family member, friend or neighbour help?
- Talk to us early if you or your child are experiencing difficulties with attendance — we're here to help, not to judge.

What WE will do:

- Monitor attendance daily and look for patterns or concerns.
- **Phone home** to discuss your child's attendance with you.
- **Invite you in for a meeting** if attendance becomes a concern.
- **Carry out a welfare home visit** if we cannot establish a reason for absence or have not seen your young person.

Let's work together to ensure every student has the best opportunity to succeed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please get in touch with us.

Welcome to the ASL family...

This term we welcome 2 new members of staff:

Mrs Rosie Cowell and Miss Emily Hawes who both join as Teaching Assistants.

Calendar dates 2025-2026

Please visit the website to see calendar dates for this academic year:

https://www.allsaintslessingham.co.uk/calendar-dates/

Upper Juniors

On a nature walk, the Upper Juniors collected autumn objects to support our writing for poetic imagery.

We also practised crossing the road.









We have been learning about food labelling and healthy choices.







Lower Juniors were very busy last week, already showing great attitude towards learning, beautiful handwriting and amazing behaviour!

In Science, they were investigating how viscous (thick) different liquids can be.

In Maths, group A were using base ten to identify tens and ones (some even did hundreds).

The personal development session was all about First Aid and in social skills they were learning about sharing, joining in and negotiating. (Mr Sabine was definitely in his element there!)









The Upper Juniors and Lower Juniors

Enjoyed preparing and eating a picnic together during transition day. We also walked to Lessingham church to identify key items found in a Christian church.





ASDAN

At All Saints School we are pleased to offer a range of ASDAN Short Courses. These include: History, Geography, Animal Care, Roadwise, Foodwise, Hair and Beauty, Personal Finance and Independent Living.

We also offer the Accelerating English course which supports development of the key skills that enable our learners to access GCSE English.

Students begin their chosen course in year 10 and are able work at their own pace. This gives some students the opportunity to complete more than one Short Course in years 10 and 11. The Short Courses are portfolio based and consist of challenges which gain credits towards the final certificate.



Year 8

Using fine motor skills during Intervention time.







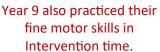
Year 9

Had a brilliant first catering session at East Coast College making pizza from scratch.



Have being using different methods to create 6 digit numbers.













Year 7

Have been trialling a new programme that develops strategies for managing emotional regulation. Here are some photos of them trying out different facial expressions!











Construction

Well done to all of our students for completing their amazing projects at the end of the Summer term.



Drama

The Yr 10 GCSE Drama class has made an excellent start to the course, and this week have been exploring Traverse staging, using a scene from J.B. Priestley's play 'An Inspector Calls'.

They came up against a number of challenges but worked through them with maturity and enthusiasm.





Huge congratulations to our class of 2025 who achieved fabulous results in their exams. We are so proud of you all!



Year 11 Post-16 Applications

At All Saints, we encourage all post-16 applications to be submitted via the 'Help You Choose' platform. This allows us to track each student's application progress and provide the best possible support.

All Year 11 students have already created their accounts in school, and we'll continue to work closely with both students and families to ensure everyone submits their first-choice application by December.

Our impartial Careers Advisor, Kelly Lee, will be back in school on **6th October** to support any students who would like help completing their application. You can contact her directly via email klee@beacon-east.co.uk

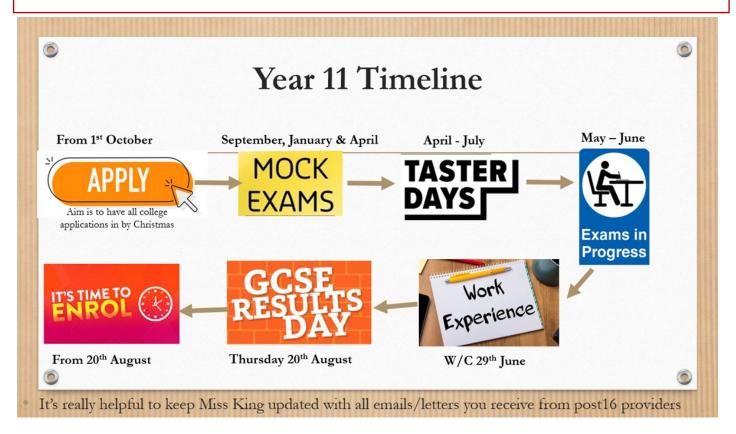
A few key reminders:

- 'Help You Choose' opens for online applications on 1st October.
- Students can (and should!) apply for more than one course it's always wise to have a Plan B.

There's no need to worry – we'll support you every step of the way.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Miss King, Mr Morton, Mrs Urry & Kelly Lee All Saints Careers Team



Let's take advantage of what's on offer with this online work experience



Students in Years 9–11: Unsure About Your Future Career? Explore Your Options with CareerDays.co.uk!

CareerDays.co.uk offers *live, 1-day online Career Days* to help you discover a wide range of exciting professions — including:

- * Medicine | * Law | * Veterinary | * Engineering | * Psychology | * Business | * Architecture | * Computer Science |
- * Performing Arts | * Midwifery ... and many more!

What to Expect:

- * Morning Sessions Explore what each career is really like and learn how to apply to university.
- * Afternoon Sessions Take part in hands-on virtual work experience activities and a live Q&A with professionals in the field
- * Certificate of Participation Receive a personalised certificate to boost your CV.
- * **CV-Ready** Record your participation as virtual work experience.
- * On-Demand Access Can't make it live? No problem all sessions are available to watch at your convenience.

Book your place today at CareerDays.co.uk

Take the first step toward your future career — get inspired, get informed, and get ahead!

Autumn 2025 dates:

October

- Sat 4 Oct Midwifery
- Sat 11 Oct Law
- Sat 18 Oct Medicine
- Sun 19 Oct Dentistry
- Sun 26 Oct Performing Arts

November

- Sat 1 Nov Psychology
- Sat 8 Nov Architecture
- Sat 15 Nov Vet
- Sat 29 Nov Engineering

December

- Sat 6 Dec Computer Science
- Sat 13 Dec Business

<u>Times:</u> Sessions typically run 11:00–16:00 (UK); a few subjects vary slightly—please see the event page for details Info & booking: <u>www.CareerDays.co.uk</u>

Reading Reward Scheme

At All Saints School we promote 'Reading for Pleasure' This means;

- Reading what you want to read, based on own interests and preferences.
- Reading without worrying about being graded or judged.
- Having someone read to you whatever your age.



There is a credit system working towards Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Awards.

- 30 Credits = a bronze star pin badge, certificate & £5
- 60 Credits = a silver star pin badge, certificate & £5
- 100 Credits = a gold star pin badge, certificate & £10
- 150 Credits = a platinum star pin badge, certificate & £10

Every time you read to an adult you can earn a credit, make sure that your planner is signed/initialled by an adult. Bring your planner to the library weekly so Mrs Fuller can log your credits.

If you read a whole book you can do one of the following to receive your credits;

A book review, a drawing related to the book, a character study, a letter to the author or come and talk to me about your book in the library.

A trip will be organised termly for those who have earned the monetary reward.

Truck Convoy

A convoy of 80+ trucks takes to the road every year to give disadvantaged and disabled children a special day out.

It was fabulous to see Mollie and Isaac taking part in this event.









Food Standards Agency (FSA)

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) issued a warning earlier this summer about the dangers of ice slush drinks ('slushies') containing glycerol.



The FSA advises that children under the age of 7 should not drink ice slush drinks containing glycerol at all and that children aged 7-10 should drink no more than one 350ml slush drink with glycerol a day.

You can access further <u>resources and posters</u> provided by the FSA.







has achieved the Gold School Games Mark award for their commitment, engagement in the School Games for 2024/25.















Flourish Awards 2025

We are delighted to have received this distinguished award in the 'learning category' in recognition of the outstanding contribution to helping children and young people in Norfolk to flourish.

School Games

For the 3rd academic year in a row All Saints are awarded the national School Games Mark Gold Award recognising our PE and School Sport Offer. Well done to all students, staff and teachers on this achievement.





Congratulations to Tilly for receiving a coaches development award for her volunteer coaching at her basketball club with younger players.

Tilly also gained her Silver Award recently at St John's - she's now over half way to getting her Grand Prior Award which is the highest award they give!