

# NEWSLETTER

Regular news updates from All Saints School, Lessingham

# **KEY DIARY DATES**

Oct:

9th: Juniors' Parent /Carer

Cafe

10th: Child Development trip15th: Yr 9 Burnt Fen Alpaca trip

16th: Yr 10 & 11 Parents

**Evening** 

22nd: Upper Juniors trip to Norwich Aviation

Museum

22nd: Yr 7 Parent/Carer Café

\*\*\* 23rd—31st: 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

# MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

It's truly amazing how much is happening across our school right now.

As I walk through classrooms, corridors and playgrounds, I'm struck by the energy, enthusiasm and sheer joy of learning that fills every corner.

**Trips and Adventures** Our students have been out and about, exploring museums, places of worship, gymnastics facilities and an art gallery. These experiences are not only enriching their understanding of the world but also sparking curiosity and conversation back in the classroom.

Learning in Action Inside school, the quality of work being produced is outstanding. From creative writing to scientific investigations, writing and reading poetry to tying shoelaces, students are showing real pride in their learning. Engagement in lessons is high and it's a pleasure to see students asking thoughtful questions, collaborating with peers and pushing themselves to do their best.

A Warm Welcome We're delighted to welcome 11 new students to our school community this term. It's been wonderful to see how quickly they've settled in, making friends and joining in with enthusiasm. We know they'll thrive here, and we're so pleased to have them with us.

Behind the Scenes Heroes A huge thank-you to our incredible office staff and caretaker, who have been working tirelessly behind the scenes. The start of the school year is always a busy time, and their dedication, organisation and calm approach help keep everything running smoothly. We're lucky to have such a committed team.

All of this and only four weeks into term.

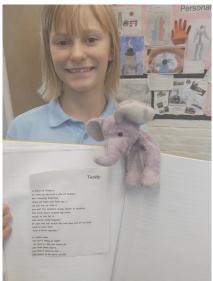
Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to sharing more of our journey with you in the weeks ahead. Please do get in touch if we can do anything to help; we are here to support you the best we possibly can.

# Welcome to the ASL family...

This week we welcome another new member of staff: Mr William Manning who joins us as a Teaching Assistant.

# Reminders—Please can you remember to:

- Name your child's uniform, initials are fine
- Check your child's planner every day
- Do not send any nuts into school as we do have a child with a severe allergy
- Check the school website regularly



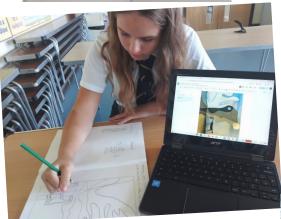
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# Year 9

Have been writing poetry inspired by their favourite toys.



Yr 9 have also been creating and performing melodies on the keyboards in music.



They have been recreating surrealist art



# **Humanities**

Year 8 spent some time looking at poetry in their recent Geography lesson. They studied a poem by Benjamin Zephaniah called 'The British'. They were able to discuss how he used 'ingredients' as a metaphor for people migrating into the UK.

We also read a lovely book called Kunkush which is now available in the library to be borrowed if they wish to read it again.





# All Saints School Digital Library

# ePlatform - All Saints School Digital Library

Students in KS3 & 4 (Year 7 to Year 11) have access to ePlatform, a digital library that provides <u>free access</u> to eBooks and Audiobooks.

With ePlatform, your young person has 24/7 access to eBooks and Audiobooks for free. This is a wonderful extension of our physical school library and allows titles to be checked out at home, over the weekend or during school breaks without worrying about losing books as they automatically return at the end of the loan period.

In school the students can access the platform on their school devices, at home the ePlatform app can be downloaded for free from the Apple Store, Google Play Store or visit eplatform.co.uk to begin (called 'ePlatform by Wheelers'). All students have been given a unique login to access the platform, this can be shared with parents if requested.

If you have any queries then please contact me via the school office.

Mrs Fuller



# Signing in to ePlatform Digital Libraries

Anywhere, Anytime









# Sign In

Sign in using the Username and Password that your school has provided you.

(Note: You may be directed to an external log in page like Microsoft, Google etc. Simply Sign in tog get started)



### Browse and Borrow

Search for specific titles or browse through collections.









# **GCSE Art**

Students enjoyed a trip to Sainsbury's Centre for Visual Arts.

We were able to look around the main and special exhibitions, as well as enjoy some of the sculptures outside. Students worked hard creating a series of observational drawings linked to our current project.

It is well worth a visit and you can visit for free or contribute what you can on a donation basis.



# PE

After the first PE house competitions (dodgeball) there was lots of examples of our All Saints school Vision. Each session had 30 plus students in attendance.

Smiles on faces, older students supporting younger students and despite being disappointed if on the losing side or happy with being on the winning side students showed sporting behaviour at the end. All students shook hands and congratulated opponents with a good game.

2 house points for participating and 3 for being on the winning team or going above and beyond by helping others.

# Real PE—Press Release

Specialist training provider real PE say ...

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"The high ambition and expectations teachers have for children at All Saints shines through and truly deserves recognition. The school is setting a fantastic example to other SEND schools and mainstream settings.

Please visit our website to read more: https:// www.allsaintslessingham.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/ Norfolk-SEND-School-Praised-for-Performance-in-PE.pdf





# **Personal Development**

Christopher In Yr 8 earned himself a Head Teacher Award by showing excellent group leadership and note taking in our Personal Development lesson on 'why is breakfast important?'





# Year 11

Have been researching Remembrance Day for their unit award and produced some excellent presentations and drawings.





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