



All Saints
Catholic Primary School

News

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new year of 2024 at All Saints.

Firstly, staff are very grateful for any gifts that they received before Christmas – it was very kind and much appreciated. Thank you.

Secondly, everyone wishes all our pupils, families and friends a happy and peaceful New Year.

Let's hope it is a year when the children can make great strides in both their formation and their education.

Exciting News

We are excited to share a wonderful opportunity that has come our way. The British Council has invited our school to help launch their new partnership scheme with Ukraine. As part of this initiative, we will have a very special online "Reading for Pleasure" lesson with our partner school in Ukraine. We will also be joined by authors Michael Morpugo and Frank Cottrell-Boyce.

Reminder for parents applying for Reception places for September 2025

The closing date for applications for Reception 2025 via Liverpool City Council is 15th JANUARY 2025, you must also complete a school supplementary form and provide proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptism Certificate.

Are you experiencing damp and mould in your home?
Would you like to learn how to make your home more energy efficient?
Then come along to Anfield Children Centre on Monday 13th January at 1pm to 2:30pm to learn more.

Uniform Guidelines:

False Nails:

While we understand that students enjoy expressing themselves, false nails are not part of our school uniform. They can be a distraction and may pose safety concerns during physical activities and playtime.

Colourful Hair Braids:

Similarly, colourful hair braids, while fun and creative, are not permitted as part of the school uniform. We encourage hairstyles that are neat and in natural hair colours.

Branded Clothing on PE Day:

On PE days, children should wear their designated PE kit. During colder weather, they may need a base layer or an extra sweatshirt. However, branded clothing, such as tops, shorts, and trainers with visible logos, is not allowed. This policy helps foster a sense of community among the children and alleviates financial pressure on parents.

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a focused and respectful learning environment. If you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.



Our News

If you have any news that you would like to share with us for our newsletter, please send a photo or a brief outline to s.mctigue@allsaintsanfield.co.uk - we would love to share it!



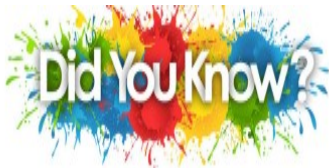
Attendance and Punctuality

It is important that your child is on time for school each day, so that they can benefit from a full day's education.

A reminder that holidays during school time are not authorised whatever the circumstances and a local authority fine will be issued. If you do take your child on holiday, please inform us before you go as it could become a safeguarding issue if we cannot contact you.

Please report any absences before 9.00am via Seesaw or telephone call. If you have any difficulties getting your child to school and especially around lateness please contact Mrs Kelly.

If you are taking your child out of school during the school day, you must show a letter/email/appointment card. Please do your best to make appointments outside of school hours.



If your child is **30 minutes** late every day they miss **2 and a half hours** a week. That works out at **4 days** a term and **12 days** a year!

If your child is between 5 and 16 years old and is a registered pupil at school, it is your legal responsibility to make sure they attend regularly.

If your child misses **1 day of school** a week they miss **7 and a half weeks** a year. This is more than half a term of learning!

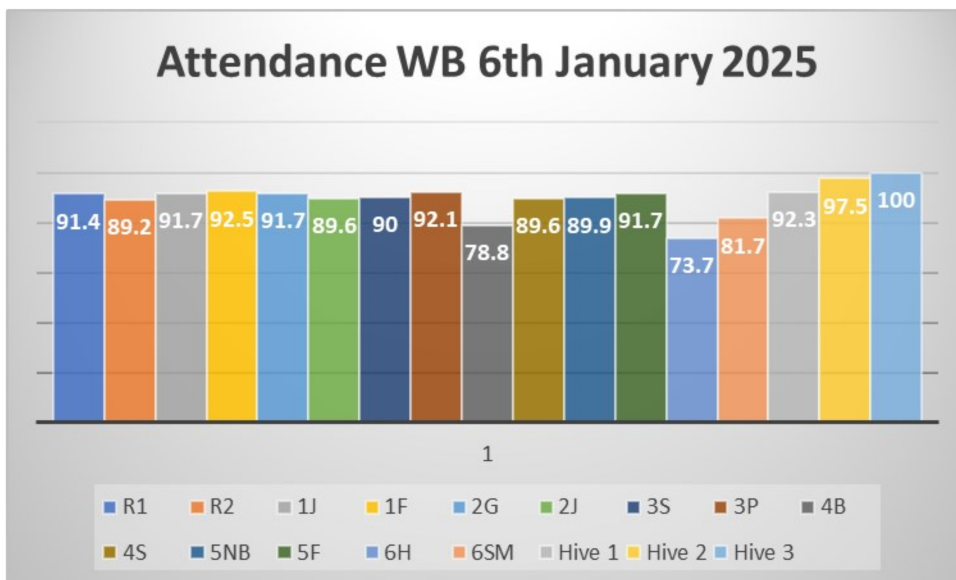
Absence Reporting - Seesaw

When reporting an absence please make sure you select both the 'Absence Reporting' and 'School Office' options as well as your class teacher.

This will ensure the right staff are receiving the information needed and you are not being contacted unnecessarily.

If you are sharing information regarding collection of a child or appointments they may have, please make sure you select the 'School Office' option as well as your class teacher.

Thank you!



Prayer and Liturgy

The Baptism of the Lord

Today we hear about Jesus' Baptism and about something very special that happened after it. He was filled with the Holy Spirit. Let's think some more about the Holy Spirit today.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

People's hopes began to rise, and they began to wonder whether John perhaps might be the Messiah. So John said to all of them, "I baptize you with water, but someone is coming who is much greater than I am. I am not good enough even to untie his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

After all the people had been baptized, Jesus also was baptized. While he was praying, heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit came down upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my own dear Son. I am pleased with you."

We hear about how John the Baptist was baptising people with water. Can you remember what he says? He says that someone is coming who is more powerful than he is. Who do you think that person is? John says he is not good enough to untie the strap of Jesus' sandals. What do you think John means by this?

John does not feel that he is important enough to help Jesus. But, Jesus asks to be baptised by John. What do you think this shows us about Jesus?

All of us are important in our own special way, and we are all important enough to serve Jesus. Jesus welcomes us all and sees that we all have special gifts and talents to share.

What happens after Jesus is baptised? Jesus prays, and while he is praying, the Holy Spirit comes down like a dove. Then a voice comes from heaven. Whose voice do you think this is? What does God say? ("You are my own dear Son. I am pleased with you")

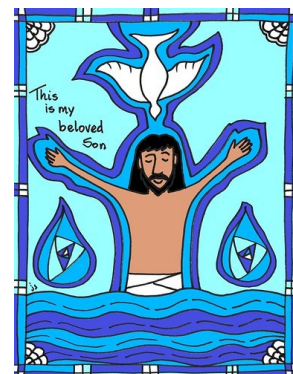
Jesus is the Son of God and he is filled with the Holy Spirit. We are all God's children and we are also filled with the Holy Spirit at our baptism. What difference do you think being filled with the Holy Spirit makes?

The Holy Spirit can help to make us brave and to bring us joy. Just as we can tell that a tree is good because of the fruit that grows on it, we can tell if the Holy Spirit is working in us by the way that we act and how we treat other people. For instance, we can share what we have with others who do not have enough. We can be kind to others. We can try to make our world a fairer and better place for all people to live in.

Some fruits of the Spirit are love, peace, kindness and generosity. How do you think you can be kind, loving and generous to others? How can you bring peace?

We are all God's children no matter where in the world we live, no matter where we come from or what we look like, whether we are rich or poor. We are all members of the same global family. And so we try to be loving, kind, generous and bring peace to all people. In this way, we hope that others will be able to see the fruits of the Holy Spirit and our baptism in all that we do. How will you show the Holy Spirit working in you in this coming week?

God of all,
as we gather at your table,
we give thanks for your love.
Fill us with your Holy Spirit
and help us to show your love to others
in all that we do.
Amen.





Stars of The Week

Lottie - 3's Room - for always being helpful and kind
Ayda - 3's Room - for brilliant work recognising her shapes

Zach - R1 - for a tremendous effort during our phonics lessons
Rourke - R1 - for showing curiosity when learning about the season of winter
Harper - R2 - for amazing behaviour and listening all week!
Freddie - R2 - for amazing work in phonics and great listening!

Jessica - 1F - for helping all her classmates
Dennis - 1F - for trying hard with his reading
Zosha - 1J - for showing a resilient attitude
Zofia - 1J - for trying hard with her handwriting



Amanda - 2G - for following our school rules
Nico - 2G - for showing great resilience



Elliott - 5F - for excellent effort this week especially in Maths

Malachi - 6H - for his outstanding attitude this week
Lottie - 6H - for gaining confidence in maths this week

Shain - Butterfly Class - for having a fabulous attitude in class
Billie-Mae - Firefly Class - for settling into her new class

