



# All Saints' News

## Our 'Shine' Moment...



Calderdale's RE consultant, Ian Ross, wrote in his report (Summer 2018): "All classes receive quality RE through a dedicated team of teachers. The Diocesan Syllabus and Understanding Christianity resources have been thoughtfully and carefully introduced over the past year with teachers planning effectively both from the core curriculum but also digging deeper for greater depth in key year groups."

On Friday 16th November, we are hosting a non-uniform day for Children in Need. A donation of £1 would be warmly received by the charity. Children are encouraged to wear something spotty on the day, too, e.g. socks/tie/headband/face paint/jumper/t shirt. Thank you.



## Elland Cluster

You may or may not be aware that All Saints' is part of the Elland Cluster of Schools. With 12 schools in the Cluster, we work in close collaboration to best support the children we serve within the shared locality to promote the best possible outcomes for all these children.

I am delighted to announce that I will be taking on the role of Lead Headteacher for the Cluster, and will be continuing and progressing the fantastic work already in place. It truly is a fantastic Cluster that works well to support one another and each school's priorities.

I am excited about the new opportunities this will bring for us all at All Saints' (adults and children alike) and the new partnerships it will create. I will keep you all up-to-date with the Cluster programme, actions and successes during the Spring and Summer terms.

# Anti-Bullying Week 2018

This week is national anti-bullying week. Each class has been completing different work on anti-bullying and how to deal with any potential incidences in life. They have studied bullying in all forms and made links to the school's half termly value: **respect**.

## Feeling blue?

I would like to thank Jack B (Year 6, Deputy Head Boy) for sharing some of his fantastic ways that we can best support children who maybe experience loneliness—particularly at playtimes. Jack, along with members of our Support, Help and Nurture teams, have decided that they would like to 'employ' buddies and use a bench in the playground as a 'buddy bench'. This will be enforced from Monday.

Furthermore, Jack has been working hard to make blue cotton bracelets, which will be sold for **50p** from **Monday** (Jack will come around classes each day). Our SHINE team, along with myself and my Leadership Team, agree that this is a superb way to show that we stand together against bullying and have a zero-tolerance approach. I am incredibly proud of the ideas coming from our youngsters in school—thank you. Your voice matters to us.

For further support around bullying, please visit these sites for useful resources at home:

**BullyingUK**

**Antibullying Alliance**

**Ditch the Label**

**DerbyshireSchoolsNet**

# Communication

If you haven't already done so, please download the school's mobile app. Over this next half term we will be increasing our use of the app to ensure you receive up-to-date notices and information.

Thank you to those families who have 'had their say' and completed our Ofsted Parent View survey. If you haven't had time to complete one yet, please do so by following this link or accessing the link via the school website:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>

I hope you managed to read an email I sent to you before the holidays regarding some information about our '**Big Build**' week. We hope you can join us at some point to help create a class masterpiece!



Please support our Big Build projects by helping your child's class collect unwanted resources and materials - you'll receive further information from your child's class teacher this week.

# It's a Boy!

Congratulations to Miss Broadbent and her partner Tristan on the birth of their baby boy. Theo, was born on Friday 9th November. Both mother and baby are doing well. We can't wait to meet the new addition to the All Saints' family!



## Goodbye, Mrs Woodhouse

I am saddened to confirm that due to personal circumstances, Mrs Woodhouse has resigned from her post and will not be returning to work at our school.

Mrs Woodhouse's career at All Saints' stems over 4 years and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank her for her dedication, energy and commitment to the school; she'll be sorely missed. She offered the school numerous qualities and skills and always supported our drive for excellence across the curriculum. She successfully ran our nurture facility, so much so, I'm pleased to report that she increased the confidence and happiness of all the pupils she engaged with.

On behalf of myself, the governors, staff, pupils and their families, I would like to convey our best wishes to her in her future endeavours and sincerely hope that she returns to see us all regularly and brighten the school with her beaming smile, as she always did.

Miss Hanson will be returning to school to continue the fantastic work in our Nurture facility. Miss Hanson is currently studying a Masters degree in Education Psychology to then hopefully pursue her PHD! All of our children have already formed strong relationships with Miss Hanson when she worked at the school early this year.

## Halifax Hockey Club – Junior Hockey Opportunity



Dear parent(s)/children

Would you like to try a fast, skilful and exciting game. If yes, why not come along and have a go at one of our coaching sessions with a view to attending regular weekly sessions.

If you are in year 1, 2 or 3 – Thursdays from 6-6.45

If you are in year 4, 5 or 6 – Thursdays from 6-7.15

Just let me know that you would like to have a go via email or text with your name and a contact number. I will then let you know when you can have the try out. You will not need any equipment as this will be provided, just come along with suitable sports clothing for games on an outside AstroTurf. We are based at Park Lane Academy, Park Lane Siddal, HX3 9LG. Hope to see you soon.

Paul Graham. [paulmgram@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:paulmgram@hotmail.co.uk). 07918622160

# Feeling Festive...

## It's competition time again!

It's time to roll up your sleeves and be as creative as possible for this year's **Christmas tree decoration competition!**

**That's right...it's back!**

If your child would like to make a decoration for the school's Christmas tree, then we would love for them to get involved!

To enter, the cost is just **£2** per decoration. A KS1 and a KS2 prize will be awarded.

Competition deadline: **Monday 29th November 2018.**

It is important that your decoration can be easily identified by your child. The 2 lucky winners will be announced during the Christmas Fayre. Good luck!

## Christmas tree,

## oh Christmas tree...



# Non-Uniform Day!

On **Wednesday 28th November** it is non-uniform day! Please provide a donation of either chocolates or a bottle to support the stalls at this year's **Christmas Fayre on Friday 7th December (3:30-5pm).**



## Christmas Shop!

*On Friday 14th December, your child will have the opportunity to purchase a token gift /gifts for loved ones from our Christmas shop. More information to follow. Please keep up-to-date with the PTA's events via their Facebook page.*

# Winter Wiggle!



On **Friday 30th November** the PTA is hosting the Winter Wiggle discos! This provides your child with the perfect opportunity to embrace the excitement of Christmas, get dressed up in their party-best and have fun with their peers to kick start the festive season!

R/KS1 disco: 6-7pm (**£3** per ticket- this also includes light refreshments: drink, crisps, sweets)

KS2 disco: 7:15 - 8:15pm (**£2** per ticket. Children can bring along some money to spend in the school's tuck shop).

Money for tickets to be exchanged on entry into the disco, via the main school office. At the end of the disco, children will be collected via the Y6 exit near the main school gates.



# Christmas Eve Box Appeal

## MOTHERSHARE



Christmas is a time that children look forward to the most. Yet many children in need will not receive gifts.

Mothershare is a voluntary organisation set up to support vulnerable families in Halifax. Supplying those in need with the essentials to care for their children and families, Mothershare is collecting Christmas Eve Boxes to bring a little festive joy to girls and boys in Halifax.

We are asking our All Saints' family to get involved and bring joy to those in our community.

Can you help in donating gifts such as Christmas themed books, small toys, soft toys, colouring books, crayons, sweet treats, hot chocolate sachets and nightwear?

Or why not make up your own shoe box filled with everything for the perfect Christmas Eve treat?

Perhaps you might want to write a Christmas card/message for the child?

We ask that you please wrap your item(s) in Christmas paper and clearly label the gender and age (2-11) on the front. Donations to please be handed in to the office by the end of November.

Thank you so much for your support. Let's spread the festive joy!

Kind regards,

The PTA/Friends of All Saints' Committee and All Saints' School



Our first priority is that ALL children and adults feel safe and happy in our school

## Keeping Our Children Safe

If you have any concerns or worries about the safety or well-being of a child, do not hesitate to contact Mr Sharp,

Mrs Dumbreck, Miss Greenwood or Mr Stuttard on 01422 367140 or email: [head@allsaints.calderdale.sch.uk](mailto:head@allsaints.calderdale.sch.uk).

If you do not feel safe or you are worried about someone else, you must speak to an adult you trust



Mr Sharp, Mrs Dumbreck, Miss Greenwood and Mr Stuttard are responsible for safeguarding in school. Please speak to them if you have any worries or concerns.



Mr M R Sharp  
Headteacher



Mrs N Dumbreck  
Deputy Headteacher



Miss C Greenwood  
Assistant Headteacher (KS2)  
Year 4 teacher



Mr J Stuttard  
Assistant Headteacher (EYF5/KS1)  
SENCo  
Reception teacher