

The All Saints Herald

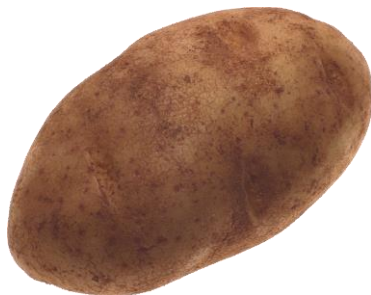
Written by the Children, for everyone.

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Welcome to the third edition of 'The All Saints Herald' – a newspaper written by the children of All Saints, for all. Over the next few pages, we aim to inform you of all the exciting clubs, trips, events and general 'goings on' around our wonderful school over the last half term.

Potato Competition

Our school has very kindly been gifted potatoes, growing bags and compost from Brimsmore Garden Centre. Mrs Roberts announced there would be a potato growing competition that each class would participate in. The prize-winning categories are: best looking, largest yield and most flavoursome. The potatoes were kept in brown bags or on windowsills so they can chit. After Easter, we will plant them, or some year groups might have done it by the end of the term. We might cook, fry or roast the potatoes at the end of the year. We could even make them into chips or a potato salad! The prize is yet to be decided...The teachers are going to get competitive!



ART EMMBASSADORS

The art ambassadors (Anna and Maddie – year 4; and Bodie and Florence – year 5) have organised an art competition for all years across the school to compete in. To enter, you must give £1 to Mrs O'Donnell and she will give you an entry slip in return. This is to prove that you have handed in your entry fee. There will be 3 categories – KS1, KS2, and adults (teachers and parents). A winner will be selected from each category and will be awarded with a mystery prize. Your piece of art should be based on 'your favourite place.' The art can be in any form or media. Here are a few ideas:

- Acrylics
- Watercolour
- Collage
- Coloured pencil
- Coloured pens
- Sketch
- Crayons

Digital art is also allowed. Entries close on the 18th of April, and money raised will go towards new art books for our school library.

World Book Day 2023

Battle of the books

To enter, the competitors needed to prepare a quick 1-minute speech for the book that they thought is the best! They battled other children to persuade the audience to vote for them and their book.

Children signed up in the library and chose a book and then prepared a presentation (no technology was allowed). When they were in the front of the group they went head-to-head with another competitor. The audience then asked questions within a 3 minutes time limit, and then voted for whoever had said the best speech. The winners went head-to-head to find out who the winner was. The overall winner was Daisy – Class 5. Congratulations!

The 100-word competition results

Entries had to be given in on 3rd of March (World Book Day). There were 2 categories, ks1 and ks2. The ks1 winner was: Rose – Class 2. The ks2 winner was: Millie – Class 5.

World Book Day maps

Each class made maps. Some classes made 3D; some did 2D. Year 6 used coffee stains and teared the edges to make the paper look old and authentic.

Costumes

On world book day everyone dressed up as a character from a book; some people bought their book to school.



Music Across the School

Music Concert

On Thursday 30th March, we will be having a music concert. With performers from children that have music lessons here and Year 4. We even have some volunteering compares who will be announcing the performers. The year 4's have been working very hard to learn the fife and are excited to get the chance to play at the concert.

Those who perform as individuals will be playing something that they have practiced hard for and chosen themselves. This will be a great opportunity for children in All Saints to show their grown-ups what they have been learning.

Composer of the Month

This half term, we have had lots of interesting composers and music. For March, we chose a unique composer – Hildegard von Bingen – who lived in a medieval period. She lived from 1098-1179.



Bingen was also known as Saint Hildegard and was a German Benedictine abbess, writer, composer and philosopher. She is considered to be the founder of scientific natural history in Germany. Her life was celebrated in the 2009 German film: Vision.

Here is a link to listen to some of her music.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v6gqFCYRQKVA&t=15s>

Sports

Football

Both the Year 4 and the Year 5/6 football teams have been to matches at Bucklers Mead Academy. Lots of matches were played against schools from the local area – we even came home with some big wins!

Netball

The Year 5 and 6 girls attended a netball tournament, at Westfield Academy, where they played school from all around Yeovil. The competition was fierce, but it was great fun.

Cross-Country

In cross-country we go to different places every time, the most recent competition we went to a very muddy Mudford Rec. Mr. Cashmore, a class 6 teacher, stated that the contestants pushed themselves to their physical limits all for the fun of it. The majority of children say that they very much enjoyed it and would definitely go next time, although it was quite tough and energy-consuming. At the end of the day, it was good exercise and immensely fun. Plus, you do get an awarding certificate and, if you manage to get 3rd 2nd or 1st you get medals.



ECO Warriors

Waste Free Wednesdays

From the 29th of March, the Eco Warriors are starting a new challenge across the school for everyone to conquer.

We would like every Wednesday, for our community, to be a waste free and healthy living day.

No wrappers. No plastic. Healthy snack.

For those with lunchboxes, we would like to encourage you to have plastic-free lunches with reusable pots and wrappings.

The Eco Warriors are worried that there is so much wasted food and wrappers that get thrown in the bins and that the snacks that people eat daily are high in sugar and aren't appropriate for eating at such times, like first break, 10:30 - 10:45.

LET'S GO ECO!

Many thanks, The eco team.



Respect Champions

- Interviews held with Year 5s

This year, 2023, Mrs Walmsley has introduced respect champions: two per class.

They represent each class for the entire week, before then selecting the next two children to wear these bright, bold orange lanyards.

Alongside these lanyards, they also hold the responsibility of giving out respect stickers to those who show respect here at All Saints.

These champions can lose their privilege to the lanyards and stickers, mind. If it ever happens, the teacher of that class will nominate somebody else to be in charge over being a respect champion.

Although this may seem like an extremely hard role to achieve, it is simple to earn the title of being a respect champion! All you really must do is be kind, be mindful of others and show love to those around you. Even if you are not the best at doing these suggestions, you may still have a chance to wear these orange-like necklaces for a week...

These champions also need to maintain the fact that they must remind others, who are not aware of what they are doing, to be respectful. One respect champion for Year 5 quoted: "I love being a respect champion! I can remind and award people that show kindness stickers as a sign of them being respectful!"

Reading Club

The children have continued to enjoy taking part in their 'Reading Club' with Mr. Wood. Each week, the children have had a 'focus phoneme' that we have practised as well as enjoying sharing their reading book with Mr. Wood to help them get lots of reading practice.

In recent weeks, the children have been thinking about the front covers of their books and have had a go at drawing some themselves - they have done a brilliant job with this!



One pupil said, "it's really fun being in the reading club because I get to practise reading more."

Another pupil reported, "It's good because we get to eat biscuits and read."

Mr. Wood is very proud of all of the children in reading club and is pleased to see how they continue to make good progress and are working hard to learn their sounds in phonics, too.

