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KEY DIARY DATES

6.3.25	Eucharist Assembly
17 & 18.3.25	Parent Consultations
26.3.25	Y5 & Y6 The Oaks Residential Trip
4.4.25	Last day of Spring Term 2
23.4.25	Children return for Summer Term 1
18.6.25	Reception Pupil Vision Screening



As we continue to support our students in achieving their full potential, it's important to remember that proper nutrition plays a key role in their well-being and academic success. A healthy, balanced diet helps students focus, stay energized, and perform their best throughout the school day.

We encourage all parents and guardians to provide nutritious snacks and packed lunches for their children. Here are a few simple tips to help create meals that are both delicious and nourishing:

1. Include a variety of food groups: A balanced meal should contain a mix of protein, whole grains, fruits, vegetables, and dairy. Think of including a lean protein (like turkey or beans), whole grain bread or crackers, a colorful selection of veggies or fruits, and a serving of dairy such as yogurt or cheese.

2. Keep it colourful: Bright, fresh produce not only looks appealing but provides essential vitamins and minerals. Include a rainbow of fruits and veggies in your child's lunchbox—carrot sticks, apple slices, cucumber, and berries are all great options!

3. Avoid processed foods and sugary snacks: While they might be convenient, processed snacks like chips and sugary granola bars offer little nutritional value and can lead to energy crashes later in the day. Instead, try homemade treats like whole grain muffins, fresh fruit, or a handful of nuts.

4. Hydrate wisely: Water is always the best choice for hydration, but you can also add a splash of natural flavour with fruit-infused water. Encourage your child to drink water throughout the day.

6. Consider special dietary needs: We have a number of children with special dietary requirements, including intolerances and allergies. We are a nut free school, so do please ensure food staffs provided from home do not contain traces of nuts.

We understand that busy mornings can make preparing lunches and snacks challenging, but taking a few extra minutes to pack a healthy meal is an investment in your child's health and academic success. Together, we can help our children develop healthy eating habits that will benefit them now and in the future!

Thank you for your continued support in promoting healthy eating at school. Let's work together to give our students the fuel they need to thrive!



EUCHARIST SERVICE

We are delighted to invite you to our upcoming Eucharist Service in the school hall on Thursday, 6th March at 9:15 am.



Parents are warmly welcome to wait in the school hall right after dropping their children off. To make the morning even more enjoyable, tea and biscuits will be provided! It will be a wonderful opportunity to catch up with other parents before we begin the service together.

We look forward to having you join us for this special occasion as we come together in prayer and reflection.

Please arrive a little before the service starts to ensure a prompt beginning. We hope to see you there!

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MEET THE SCHOOL TRUSTEES

We are keen to ensure parents and cares are kept up to date with developments and introduce you to all of the school's Trustee members. This week is the turn of Foundation Trustee, **Rev. Andrew Smith**.

'Andrew has been Team Rector of March (St John, St Mary, St Peter, and St Wendreda) since 2015, and supports all four primary schools in March. As All Sains is an Inter-Church Academy the Rector is a Governor. Andrew has been a school governor of various schools since 1987 and seen lots of changes but remains most concerned that we find and celebrate children and the things they are good at and that can become life-long interests and enthusiasms.'

VOLUNTEER



We're looking for a few helping hands to make this school year even better for our students! Whether you can spare an hour or two each week or lend a hand for special events, we'd love your support.

There are plenty of opportunities to get involved – from helping out in the classroom, assisting with field trips, to joining our school events committee. Your involvement makes a big difference, and it's a great way to connect with our school community.

Please note: All parent volunteers will need to complete a DBS check before getting involved. If you're interested or have any questions, please contact the school office at office@allsaints.cambs.sch.uk, and we'll guide you through the process.

We look forward to working together to create amazing experiences for our pupils!



Weekly musical theatre classes for Age 4-11years

Mondays-
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DEVELOPING SKILLS IN ASSESSING PUPIL NEED

The appointment of Mrs Johnson as the school's Interim Deputy Headteacher and Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCo) this term has seen the school make great strides in fulfilling its vision as a wholly inclusive school in which all children, irrespective of any specific barriers to learning they may have, thrive and make academic progress.

Already close links have been established with the Local Authority SEND team and staff have recently received training in a range of tools to help identify possible barriers to learning, which in turn can inform staff as to how best to support children's specific needs. These include:

YARC: This assessment assesses early reading and comprehension. It can help unpick where the barriers to learning are coming from. Early reading is used up to age 7.

PhAB: This looks at phonics and working memory.

Sandwell: Assesses math and breaks it down into the different learning areas. This can really pinpoint the difficulties and allows for clear planning and next steps to be put in place.

British Vocabulary Scale: Assesses receptive language.

TOaD: Assesses concentration and ability to follow instructions.

Do please speak with your child's class teacher if you have any concerns regarding your child's progress. We are here to help!



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