



# ALL SAINTS CONNECT



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## YEAR 4 DISCOVER THE WONDERS OF ANCIENT EGYPT

## KEY DIARY DATES

On Tuesday, our Year 4 pupils set off on a fascinating trip to the Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge, where they explored the remarkable Egyptian collection. From shimmering ancient jewellery to curious shabti figures, the children were captivated at every turn.

Among the highlights was the awe-inspiring sarcophagus lid of Ramesses III (pictured), a mummified kitten, and even a real mummified person — which certainly sparked plenty of questions and wide eyes!

The visit left quite an impression, with one child declaring the museum “one of the coolest places ever” — and we’re inclined to agree. If you haven’t yet been, the Fitzwilliam Museum is well worth a visit, and best of all, entry is free.

Date	Information
23.6.2025	March Library Visit - Summer Reading Challenge Launch
23.6.2025	Speak Out, Stay Safe Workshops
3.7.2025	Sports Day
11.7.2025	Little Saints Pre-School Open Morning
21.7.2025	Year 6 Leavers Party
23.7.25	Last School Day of Academic Year
3.9.2025	Children Return for 2025-26 Academic Year



## CRICKET SUCCESS AT MARCH TOWN FESTIVAL

On Thursday, a group of talented cricketers from Years 4, 5 and 6 headed to March Town Cricket Club to represent All Saints in the March Cricket Tournament. Competing in both the girls’ competition and the open category, our pupils showed real skill, teamwork and resilience throughout the day.

The girls’ team did us proud, finishing second out of three in a closely contested series of matches. Meanwhile, our open team held their own in a tough group, securing a respectable mid-table finish out of ten schools. Both teams displayed great sportsmanship and enthusiasm, and it was clear they were enjoying themselves from start to finish.

A big thank you to Mr Hull for organising the teams and supporting them on the day — a brilliant opportunity for our pupils to take part in competitive sport and represent the school with pride.

Well done to everyone involved!

**SUN SAFETY**

- ✓ KEEP WELL HYDRATED**  
Water bottles should be in school every day. Water stations are provided around the academy for children to refill them.
- ✓ APPLY SUNSCREEN**  
Please apply a long lasting sun protection lotion in the morning before school.
- ✓ SUN HATS**  
Remember to bring sun hats to school every day during summer months.
- ✓ SEEK SHADE**  
Children will be encouraged to access shaded areas of our playground during their lunch hour.

**CHANCE TO SHINE**  
Spreading the power of cricket

**MARCH TOWN CRICKET CLUB**

# A POSITIVE STEP FORWARD IN PUPIL ATTENDANCE

We're delighted to share that pupil attendance has noticeably improved this week compared to last, with six of our seven year groups exceeding their year-to-date averages—well done to everyone!

## This week's figures:

- Overall attendance: 94.61%
- Authorised absence: 2.11%
- Unauthorised absence: 3.28%
- Total minutes late (whole school): 998

## ATTENDANCE Matters

## How We Compare Nationally

This puts us well ahead of current national averages in English primary schools. For the week commencing 19 May 2025, the Department for Education reported an overall attendance rate of 91.6% across all school types, with primary schools typically sitting slightly higher than secondary school.

Looking at the academic year so far (to 23 May 2025), the average attendance in state-funded schools is around 93.3% [explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk](https://www.explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk). Again, this includes primary settings, whose rates tend to be marginally better than the all-school average.

So, being at 94.6% this week is genuinely impressive—it places us well above both weekly and year-to-date national benchmarks.

## Why Every Day (and Minute) Matters

Attendance isn't just about being present—it's about building daily routines, friendships, self-confidence, and resilience. Comparisons show that schools falling behind the national average by just a couple of percentage points can lose weeks of instruction per child across the year.

Let's also remember that lateness still affects learning and routines. Reducing those 998 minutes of delays will give every child a stronger start to their day.

## What's Next?

Thank you to all our families and pupils for your effort—these numbers show real commitment. It's clear that most year groups are thriving, and collectively we're surpassing national expectations.

Next steps? Let's build on this momentum by striving for even better punctuality and consistency. Every extra day in school means more chances to learn, connect and grow.

Year Group	Attendance This Week	Attendance This Year
Rec	93.7%	90.7%
1	96.1%	95.1%
2	96.0%	93.9%
3	94.2%	93.0%
4	95.2%	92.5%
5	91.3%	95.2%
6	96.0%	94.0%



School success starts with attendance



For children aged 2 years to school age

## All Saints Preschool

# Open Morning

**9:15-10:15am**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July**



All Saints Preschool warmly invites you to our open morning for children aged from 2 years to school age. Meet the early years staffing team, with a tour of the school. Please telephone the school office to book a place or email [tpooley@allsaints.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:tpooley@allsaints.cambs.sch.uk)

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## 2025-26 TERM DATES

As we begin looking ahead to the next academic year, we'd like to remind families to take a moment to familiarise themselves with the 2025-26 term dates, now published on our website.

It's really important that pupils are in school every day during term time so they don't miss out on valuable learning. We ask that all holidays are booked during school holidays, and where possible, routine medical or dental appointments are arranged outside of school hours.

We absolutely understand that emergencies and the odd unavoidable appointment can crop up, but regular attendance makes a huge difference to your child's confidence, progress and sense of belonging in school.

Thank you for your support in helping us give every pupil the best chance to thrive.

For easy access, term dates for 2025-26 can be found by clicking on the image below.

September 2025	October 2025	November 2025	December 2025
January 2026	February 2026	March 2026	April 2026
May 2026	June 2026	July 2026	INSET DAYS
			<p>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 25</p> <p>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 25</p>