



**ALL SAINTS BENHILTON C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents,

We are fast approaching the end of the school year with all the changes it brings. The children will be meeting their new teachers and visiting their new classrooms on the afternoon of Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July and I will shortly be able to confirm the staffing structure for September. Our year 6 children are preparing to move on to their High Schools but before they go they will be leading the Key Stage 2 end of year production (Cinderella Rockerfeller), with performances on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 7:00pm and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 2:00pm and 7:00pm. All Key Stage 2 pupils are involved in all performances with Years 3,4 & 5 providing the supporting choir. We will shortly send home a letter with full details.

Our year 6 pupils are reaching the end of their time in primary education and I wish them all the very best of times in their new schools and I would like to thank them for all they have given to All Saints Benhilton. I am sure they will do very well in their new settings.

**Hats and Water Bottles:** Now that summer is here, could you please make sure that children come to school with a full water bottle and a sun hat. Please remember that children are only allowed water in their water bottles. Juice and squash are not permitted.

**Before and After School:** The field is very tempting after school, I know, but please do not allow children to play on the large apparatus after school as there is no supervision.

It is good to see so many of our younger children gaining independence in the mornings. If you haven't already, please try saying goodbye at the gate and allowing your child to come to the playground to play with their friends before school. There are four members of staff on duty in the mornings so the children are well supervised.

**Reports:** The end of year Records of Achievement will be going out to all parents on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July. There will also be a reply slip for your comments and to confirm that you have received the report. Please return this to your class teacher. Those parents wishing to discuss any aspect of the report can make an appointment to see their class teacher after school on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July.

**Parking .... again!!!** Every time I write a newsletter, it seems to contain a paragraph on parking. I am still very concerned about the safety of our children and I am now also concerned about the good relations we have with our neighbours. In the last few weeks I have dealt with ..... cars parked illegally on yellow lines, cars parked on private property, parents refusing to move from private property when requested to by our neighbours, a car reversing across the pavement and a car crossing the pavement next to the Junior gate! I would like to thank the parents who report these incidents to me so that I can speak to those concerned and I shall continue to do so. It would be of great benefit if lots more parents would "park and stride", keeping the roads next to school free of cars. Mrs Ferns and the ECO Council are monitoring, each week, the numbers of children walking to school and they have also been working at raising awareness as to how we can be good neighbours. Please support the children in this by giving more consideration as to how and where you park.

**ASBSA News**

Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Please come and help take down the old shed and erect the new one.	
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	ASBSA has a stall at the Sutton Green Fayre	T
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	ASBSA Golf Day at Tyrrells Wood (details available from the office	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> September
	ASBSA Summer Picnic	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September ASBSA

Annual General Meeting – all parents are invited.

**A very BIG thank you:** I would like to thank everyone who has worked hard for the school this year and supported us in so many different ways. I wish you all a happy holiday and look forward to seeing the children back at school in September.

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**Parent Questionnaire:** The results of the parent questionnaire received by the deadline were as follows.

		Strongly agree	agree	disagree	Strongly disagree	No reply
1	My child feels safe at this school.	66%	33%			
2	My child is making good progress at this school.	50%	50%			
3	This school meets my child's particular needs.	46%	54%			
4	This school ensures my child is well looked after.	46%	54%			
5	This school has a clear Christian ethos.	73%	27%			
6	The school develops Christian Values in my child.	63%	37%			
7	This school helps my child to develop an understanding of and a respect for other faiths and cultures.	43%	43%			14%
8	My child is taught well at this school.	50%	46%			4%
9	This school helps my child to develop skills in communication, reading, writing and mathematics.	54%	40%	3%		3%
10	There is a good standard of behaviour at this school.	43%	43%			14%
11	My child's lessons are not disrupted by bad behaviour.	43%	40%	7%		10%
12	This school deals with any cases of bullying effectively. (Bullying includes persistent name-calling, cyber, racist and homophobic bullying).	27%	46%			27%
13	This school helps me to support my child's learning.	53%	43%			4%
14	This school responds well to my concerns.	43%	50%			7%
15	This school keeps me well informed.	43%	50%	7%		
16	I would recommend this school to another parent.	93%		0		7%

As well as many positive comments, there were a few adverse ones regarding communication between school and home and we are working hard to improve this. I know that there have been some activities taking place with short notice and that was an error on our part, for which I apologise. Please do come and see me if you feel that communication does not improve.

After carrying out the analysis of the questionnaires I received a few very concerning comments that I could not account for and so I would like to invite anyone who wishes to discuss a particular issue to come and see me. The only way I can improve any aspect of school life is to know about it; so do please come and speak to me.

Diary dates	Event
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Meeting for parents of children starting school and nursery in September
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> June	District Sports
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 2 visit to The Golden Hinde
Sat. 5 <sup>th</sup> July	ASBSA Shed
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Larch Class visit to Southwark Cathedral
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> July	3:30pm Guitar concert for the pupils of Hedi Pinkerfeld
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> July	9:10am Year 2 worship – Year 2 parents invited
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Records of Achievement out today
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Children visit their new classroom and class teacher.
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 visit to Sutton Life Centre
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Optional parent/ teacher meetings for Records of Achievement
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> July	New nursery and reception children visits
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> July	7:00pm Key Stage 2 present Cinderella Rockerfeller
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> July	2:00pm and 7:00pm Key Stage 2 present Cinderella Rockerfeller
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> July	9:10am Holly Class Worship – Holly parents invited
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 Bakery event – Year 1 parents invited (details to follow)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Ash and Elm Class Treasure Hunt – parents invited (details to follow)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	2:30pm Sayers Croft meeting for children currently in Maple Class
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Party
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of term 1:15pm End of Year service 2:15pm School Closes
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> September	School Closed for In-service Training
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Pupils in Y1 – Y6 return to school

With all good wishes, Ros Sutton Headteacher



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