



Ysgol Yr Holl Saint All Saints' School

A Voluntary Aided Church in Wales School

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Dear parents and carers,

The weeks are certainly moving ahead quickly, it is very hard to believe we will soon be in May. We have a huge amount to fit into this term along with several Bank Holidays which seem to make the weeks pass even quicker. Details of the Food and Fun Programme have been shared on Class DoJo, please do register your child if you would like to take advantage of this free provision during the first three weeks of the Summer Holidays. On **Friday 5th May** there will be a special day of celebrations in school for the Coronation of King Charles. A special school dinner will be served, further details can be found on the poster within this Newsletter and the menu choice can be found on Parent Pay as usual. We look forward to taking our Year 6 pupils to London on Monday, there is a lot planned for the visit and we know they will have a great time. This visit means I will be off site until Thursday next week, so please do bear with us whilst the visit takes place. Mr Holmes will remain at school should you need to discuss any urgent matters. I hope you have a lovely weekend. Diolch, Mr Hatwood.



Attendance and Punctuality

All schools in Wrexham have now adopted the Local Authority Attendance Policy. The school adheres to this policy to promote attendance and punctuality at school. Where a certain number of sessions are missed, letters are sent to advise parents/carers of their child's attendance and to offer support. Should further sessions be missed, a meeting with the Local Authority Attendance Officer will be held to identify any further support that may be needed.

As previously noted, following the Easter Holidays, the school will no longer authorise any holidays during term time and any requests for holidays during term time will be recorded as an unauthorised school holiday. Where pupils have excellent attendance, this will not cause a concern. Holidays will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and I would like to thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.

School Meals

We continue to see a positive uptake of the **Universal Free School Meal** offer for pupils in Year 1 and 2. Thank you for your support in placing orders for school meals in advance of 8am on the day that the meal is taken.

It is possible to order up to two weeks in advance of pupils taking the meal, and it is also possible to order sandwich lunches should your child not wish to take a hot school meal. The menu is available on Parent Pay.

Where school meals are not pre-ordered, staff will be contacting parents and carers to advise that a packed lunch will need to be brought into school. Thank you for your support in helping our catering staff by pre-ordering.



TT Rockstars

We are so pleased to see such positive uptake of the TT Rockstars programme at home. As Mr Holmes shared on Class Dojo last week, we will be sharing a celebration of those accessing the programme the most over the past Well done week. to everyone who is logging regularly and on those practicing important skills at home.



Our Value of the Half Term is 'Service'

Active Wrexham - Football

Some of our Year 3 and 4 pupils enjoyed a trip to Collier's Park for a football event run by Active Wrexham. There will be information about opportunities for children to take part in local football events outside of school coming soon. Thank you to Mrs Shelmerdine for taking the pupils for such a great day!





THE KING'S CORONATION PARTY

Friday 5th May 2023

You are cordially invited to the royal celebrations Stay for our SPECIAL LUNCH and receive your very own Coronation CROWN!



Celebrating the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III and Queen Camilla



This is ou game.

Calling all 8-11 year-olds!

Dynamos Cricket is the next step for All Stars graduates or the perfect intro to the sport for those new to the game.

Get involved this summer for 8 weeks of skills, games of Countdown Cricket and fun with friends. Sign up today, at: dynamoscricket.co.uk



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Gresford Governors' Clubs & Playgroup

As all employers face rising costs due to inflation and also due to increases in the National Minimum Wage, sadly, our Wrap Around Care is no different. The Governing Body, who operate the Gresford Governors' Clubs and Playgroup, have worked to ensure childcare prices remain as low as possible whilst ensuring the long term viability of the provision. It has been decided by the Management Committee that sessional charges will be increased for sessions booked from the **Monday 22nd May 2023** as follows:

	Breakfast Club	Teatime Club - 4.30pm	Teatime Club - 5.00pm	Teatime Club - 5.30pm	Teatime Club - 5.45pm	Playgroup Plus	Playgroup AM	Playgroup All Day	Early Education Wrap Around
Current Charge	£3.50	£4.00	£6.50	£8.00	£9.00	£20.00	£10.00	£35.00	£25.00
New Charge	£3.50	£5.00	£7.50	£9.00	£10.00	£20.00	£11.00	£36.00	£26.00
Variance	£0	£1.00	£1.00	£1.00	£1.00	£O	£1.00	£1.00	£1.00

Thank you for your understanding in relation to these changes. Whilst we understand the significant pressures our families are facing at the moment, we must ensure the long term sustainability of the setting which will allow it to continue to operate into the future for our families.

Families who access the 30 Hour Childcare Offer will continue to have their costs absorbed, in the main, by the offer. If you don't already utilise 'Tax Free Childcare' it is well worth checking this out >> <u>https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare</u>

Please contact <u>childcare@allsaints-pri.Wrexham.sch.uk</u> or <u>playgroup@allsaints-pri.Wrexham.sch.uk</u> with any questions or queries.

Forest School – Year 5

Pupils in Year 5 commenced their Forest School sessions with Mr Gaz Holmes last week. They have all done a fantastic job and early feedback from the pupils has been extremely positive. During the sessions, pupils will develop a build a variety of skills including fire safety and lighting, tool work and den/shelter building. The sessions take place in very small groups to allow all pupils to benefit from the expertise of Gaz and to develop their skills and confidence when learning outdoors. Well done Year 5!





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Volume and Capacity

Pupils in Year 1 have been busy exploring volume and capacity in their new outdoor learning area this week. They explored varying containers and how much different containers can hold.



Inclusion - Scandinavia

We are delighted to share news of a **new international partnership** the school has formed with education providers from the Scandinavian region. Whilst plans are at an early stage, we are optimistic that we will be able to offer funded visits for some of our older pupils to schools in Europe in the next school year as part of an exchange programme. Mr Hatwood and Mr Szymura have been invited to visit several schools in Sweden as part of a professional learning opportunity from 15th – 19th May 2023 and look forward to sharing the excellent work of the school in supporting and promoting inclusion with colleagues from across the UK and Scandinavia.



Sports Day - 2023

We look forward to our annual sports day and want to share details of this with you as early as possible as we recognise many parents and carers with work commitments take leave to come and watch.

Sports Day will be on **Tuesday 27th June 2023** and will take place at the following times:

9.30 – 10.30 am – Nursery & Reception 11.00 – 12.00 noon – Year 1 & 2 1.00 – 2.00 pm – Year 3 & 4 2.00 – 3.00pm – Year 5 & 6



You are welcome to bring chairs to sit and enjoy the races, entrance will be through the gate onto the big field. There will be no afternoon Nursery on this date and all Nursery pupils are invited to attend school in the morning.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Sports Day this year and are hopeful for pleasant weather!

School Campus - Logistics

Could we please remind all parents and carers of the importance of parking responsibly, in respecting the accessible parking bays and the yellow zig zag areas around the school. Sadly, there are still pupils being let out of cars in the middle of the road on Clappers' Lane which puts them in danger of passing traffic. We continue to engage with the Police and Local Authority to help improve the safety of the roads and footways surrounding the school and thank you for doing your part in ensuring the area around school remains as safe as possible.

School Campus - Dogs

Could we remind all parents and carers that dogs are not permitted onto the school site at any time. (unless assistance dogs). Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.



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Religion, Values and Ethics – Year 4

As part of our RE lessons, we have been learning about the Jewish festival of Shabbat. The children have taken part in some elements of Shabbat today - the challah bread and 'wine' went down very well!



Eco Schools

We have been busy planting Bulrush plants in school as part of our work to support the environmental project on Gresford Lake. Our gardening area continues to grow and develop and we are excited to use our new allotments!



With respect, friendship and care, we learn here and succeed anywhere



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"let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven." Matthew 5:16

Gymnastics

We would like to extend a huge congratulations to Esme Roberts in Year 3 who will be representing Wales on 14th May at the Acro British Championships.

Esme trains very hard and puts a huge amount of effort into her gymnastics. We wish her the very best at the championships and look forward to her future successes!

Attendance and Punctuality

We continue to focus on improving attendance and punctuality at school, you can see how each class has been doing in the table below. Whole school attendance and punctuality have dipped a little this week, please do make every effort to ensure your child attends regularly and on time.







