

# All Saints' CE Junior School Newsletter

December 2023

#### Dear Parents and Carers.

With today being the first day of Advent, rehearsals are well under way for the different performances taking place this Christmas. We thank you in advance for any help with costumes, learning lines or songs and for coming to celebrate in school or church. We look forward to seeing you on those occasions and at our Christmas Fayre, which will take place next Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank you to everyone who completed a parent questionnaire last month - you will find the outcomes attached to the email with this newsletter.

Kind regards Mrs Sutherland

Diary Dates				
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Am only	Year 5 Trip to The Lord Leycester	Please ensure children have suitable coats and shoes. They will be back in time for lunch.	
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<u>1.30pm</u>	Year 5 Christmas Performance	No tickets will be issued for year 5 plays	
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec		All Saints' Christmas Fair	All Welcome from 3.15pm.	
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.00pm	Year 3 Christmas Performance	Tickets will be issued W/C 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	5.30pm	Year 5 Christmas Performance	No tickets will be issued for year 5 plays	
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	5.30pm	Year 3 Christmas Performance	Tickets will be issued W/C 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10-11am	Year 4 to Coventry Cathedral Christingle Service	Please pay at <a href="https://www.eduspot.co.uk">www.eduspot.co.uk</a> by 6th Dec. Parents welcome to join us but must make own way there	
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	All Saints' Christmas Service at Church	All welcome	
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	5-6pm	Year 4 and year 6 Carol Concert	At All Saints' Church Tickets will be issued W/C 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec		Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day	Please order your child's lunch from the shop area at <a href="https://www.eduspot.co.uk">www.eduspot.co.uk</a> More info on Christmas Jumper day and how to donate is further on in newsletter	
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec		Break Up for Christmas Holiday		
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	INSET DAY	School closed to children		
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan		Children return to school		

Working Together, Valuing Everyone, Learning for Life' Luke 10:25-37; The Parable of the Good Samaritan

This parable underpins our ethos of love, respect, acceptance, religious tolerance, attitudes towards people who are 'different', compassion, consideration of what makes a 'neighbour' (including our global neighbours) and how we should we treat others.

#### PE kit - important update

On the days they have PE lessons, we would like children to continue coming to school wearing their jogging bottoms - black or grey (preferably dark/charcoal grey, in line with our uniform), but now wearing their polo shirt and school sweatshirt on top. Please feel free to send in an additional sweatshirt if they would like to change it for PE in the afternoon. Thank you for your support.

### Save the Children CHRISTMAS IIIMPER DAY

#### What is Christmas Jumper Day?

During December, thousands of people up and down the UK will start their day by pulling on a Christmas jumper for a great cause - to help create a brighter future for children. Our children will be learning about the work Save the Children do before our Christmas Jumper day on Wednesday 20th December. Your children can wear a festive knit and make a donation of £2, as suggested by the charity. By taking part, they will help solve some very serious problems, meaning that Save the Children can save even more children's lives around the world. You are able to donate with cash on the day or through our Just Giving Page at <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/page/all-saints-and-emscote-warwick-1700568881173">https://www.justgiving.com/page/all-saints-and-emscote-warwick-1700568881173</a>

You certainly don't need to splash out on a snazzy sweater to take part – you could get them to decorate an old or plain jumper with tinsel, baubles or homemade snowflakes to create unique crafty crackers. Or even simply wear something in a festive colour – eg red or green.

The main focus is on supporting this very worthy cause and for the children to remember that there are others who are less fortunate than themselves at this festive time of year.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December is our Christmas dinner day in school so children will really look festive for it. You can find out more information about the appeal on the website <a href="https://christmasjumperday.org">https://christmasjumperday.org</a>

#### **Christmas Lunch**

Even if your child has a school meal every day you must order separately for this day. Please book your child's Christmas lunch from the shop area of <a href="www.eduspot.co.uk">www.eduspot.co.uk</a> with your usual log on and password. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals then no payment is needed. <a href="Mo orders will be taken on the day">Mo orders will be taken on the day</a>. If you do not pre order a lunch for this day then you must send a packed lunch as no extra orders can be made on the day.

#### 'Tis the Season to be Jolly

Christmas plays start next week, we look forward to welcoming you in to school for the festive performances.

#### **End Dates for After School Clubs**

All Clubs will finish W/C 11<sup>th</sup> December except Yr 5/6 PG Sports Football Club (finishes on 19<sup>th</sup> Dec). No other clubs will take place W/C 18<sup>th</sup> December. A new form will be issued for clubs starting in January. The only club that will remain with the current children is choir, your child will need to sign up again if they wish to continue a club in January.

#### **Children in Need Donations**

Thank you for everyone who donated to our Children in Need fundraising and we raised £247 for this worthy cause!

#### **Latest Connect for Health Newsletter**

https://www.compass-uk.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/December-Newsletter.pdf

#### **Christmas at Coventry Cathedral**

As December fast approaches, Coventry Cathedral's full Advent and Christmas programme is now available. Follow the link below to see what they have on offer and have the opportunity to experience the special meaning of Christmas by joining in with the Christmas services, quiet candlelit times, music performances and carols.



https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/christmas

#### **Warwick School Christmas Holiday Action**

We wanted to let you know about some exciting **NEW** courses that we have just launched for our **12-14 year old age group.** 

The below courses have been added to our Christmas Holiday Action programme and have been specifically tailored for older children:

Date	Course	Times
Wed 3rd January	Lifesaving & First Aid	9.00am - 12.15pm
	Board Game Café	13.15pm - 16.30pm
Thurs 4th January	Animation	9.00am - 12.15pm
	Fun Sports	13.15pm - 16.30pm

**PLEASE NOTE**: Lunchtime supervision will be provided for any children booked onto both a morning and afternoon course.

All half-day courses are priced at £21.00

Please see below, for a summary of what each course involves:

#### Lifesaving and First Aid

Using the Warwick School Swimming pool, you can learn skills from the Rookie Lifeguard training scheme including rescue techniques and scenario-based exercises. Followed by basic first aid skills including CPR. Please note you MUST be a confident deep-water swimmer to take part in the lifesaving aspect of this session!

#### **Board Game Café**

Play an array of different board games, including award winners and fun easy-to-learn games. We will introduce each game together and develop tactics as we play, building to more competitive games once practice games have been completed. Think less Monopoly and Cluedo, more Ticket to Ride and Herd Mentality!

#### **Animation**

Learn how to create amazing stop-frame animations using the latest technology. Our highly experienced animator will show you how to create your assets, build a storyboard and then film your own animated movie scene! Students will be sent their final animation edits after the course, so they will have a record of it forever.

#### **Fun Sports**

An active and social afternoon based around different sports skills, with a blend of competition and friendly rivalry. We will play a range of games such as basketball and table tennis, with games and tasks designed based on group size and skill-levels so that everyone can get stuck in and be active.

To find out more, and to book yourself a place, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.warwickschool.org/christmas-activities-2023">https://www.warwickschool.org/christmas-activities-2023</a>





## For more details and to book online scan the code



