



Reception News - September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to welcome you to Reception class and hope everyone had a wonderful summer! It was lovely to meet you all at the 'meet the teacher' sessions this week. The children have already started settling in really well and are enjoying exploring our learning environment. You will receive a letter like this at the start of each half term and it will contain all the information for what is happening in Reception.

This half term:

- Drop off will take place from the side car park area. The gate will open at **8:45am** where we will meet and greet each child. The gate will be closed at **8:55am** so we can begin our day promptly at **9:00am**.
- Collection at the end of the day will be from the classroom door via the decking area at **3:15pm**.
- We will soon be sending home a school issued water bottle with your child's name on it. This should be cleaned and returned each day.
- At All Saints in Reception, we are very fortunate to have Miss Zohhadi who works in Year 2 as a Forest School leader. This will begin **after half term** and we will be in contact with you regarding this in due course.
- We would like to ask for a voluntary contribution of **£5.00 per half term** for Arts and Crafts and various other creative activities. As mentioned, this is a voluntary contribution and would not affect your child's involvement in such activities. Please can this be paid via the school money app.
- **Our P.E day will be on a Monday.** Please send your child dressed in their P.E kit on Mondays only. Please ensure your child's kit (and all uniform) is fully labelled. (Please remember to pack a spare set of clothes). PE kit is: a plain yellow tshirt, plain green shorts, trainers. These are not branded items.
- Clubs - we have a few clubs offered for Reception children, please look at the club offerings on our school website, under the Parents tab and see Mrs Whitehead in the office if you'd like to start up as we still have a limited number of spaces left. Please note if your child is doing a club, they are asked to bring their P.E kit to school and we will get them changed on this day after school.
- We will be starting '**mystery reader**' on Fridays starting in a few weeks. Keep an eye out for a rota if you would like to come in and read a story to the class.

What we will be learning:

In EYFS at All Saints we follow themes which map out the skills needed to be taught throughout the year, but how we teach those skills will change year on year. As well as having a theme, we will also follow the children's interests. As the year progresses, we may slowly add more pre-planned inputs, particularly towards the end of the year, to prepare the children gently for their transition into Year 1.

- This term is all about settling in so we will be looking at school rules, routines, ourselves and our families, our new friends and who works in our school. We will also be learning about our local area and the church.
- **Phonics** - Here is an overview of the sounds we will be teaching this term using our Phonics scheme - Essential Letters and Sounds.

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Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
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- **Maths** - White Rose Maths
This term we will be matching objects to pairs, sorting natural objects, matching shapes, looking at odd ones out, sorting objects into hoops, comparing items, combining objects, exploring with balance scales, creating patterns, and using sound to create patterns and making repeating patterns with natural resources.
- **PE:** This term we will be developing special awareness and learning how to move in different ways.

Dates to remember

Please check the calendar on the website and the newsletter as events are added regularly.

- 17th September - Class Welcome Session 3:30-4pm (in Reception classroom)
- 14/21/28th September - Emotional Regulation workshops with Jess from MIND
- 15th September - Clubs begin
- 29th September - School Nurse bedwetting session for parents 9AM - small hall
- 9th October - Flu Vaccinations
- 26th - 30th October Half Term

Just a few reminders about procedures:

- We like to celebrate the children's independent achievements away from the setting, these are called 'Wow Moments'. For example: trying new food, getting themselves dressed or learning to ride a bike. If your child has one of these moments, please take a photo and upload it to Tapestry for us to see!
- Please ensure your child has a bag of spare clothes on their peg.
- Please ensure **all clothing is clearly labelled**.
- **HOMEWORK** - Please capture a picture of your child's family and send to us on Tapestry so we can talk about it with them ☺ - Within this please can you tell us the countries your child is from so we can discuss this too.

You will have regular opportunities to meet members of our team during the year to discuss your child. These will range from formal parents' evenings and day-to day liaison. You are welcome to make an appointment to talk about any other concerns you may have with us. If you require any additional information or have any queries/concerns please email us at teacher@allsaintscelebration.sch.uk. We hope you will have an enjoyable year with us and we look forward to working with you and your child.

Kind Regards,
Miss Lewis, Mrs Northen and Miss Finn.