



All Saints Church of England Primary School

Wigston Words

News for parents and carers

14th February 2020

Thank you

For all your support this half term! It has been a wonderfully busy one and one in which we have welcomed many new staff and said sad goodbyes to many old friends and staff. I am delighted to announce that at our Trust Review on Wednesday of this week, the Chair of the Trust and our Trust Leader deemed that we were making excellent progress towards achieving our goal of being the school of choice in Wigston. Children are working harder and are engaged in their learning and this is evident in progress and work in their books. Thank you for your support in this!

Have a wonderful half term,

Julie Wright

Head Teacher

Welcome to new staff!

Just before half term we interviewed for a replacement for Miss Glasse in our year 4 Class, Jeremiah. The successful candidate was Miss Faaiza Ukaye and we look forward to welcoming Miss Ukaye to our school after half term. Miss Ukaye has already been in for a visit on the last afternoon of half term to meet the children and she will be spending the first week back after half term getting to know the children and staff whilst the class continues to be covered by Mrs Chana. We would like to thank Mrs Chana for all her help in supporting class Jeremiah whilst we have been able to find a replacement for Miss Glasse and we thank you for your patience in this. We also wish Miss Chana well as she embarks on an exciting new role as Cover Supervisor at our school. In this role she will be covering the none contact days that our new appointments are entitled to as NQTs (Newly Qualified Teachers) and providing extra leadership support time for Miss Hartshorn and Mr Read

Uniform Bundles

We still have lots of uniform available and are making up some bundles (t-shirt, skirt/trousers, jumpers) which are available for those who are finding funds a bit tight at the moment. If you are interested, please have a quiet word at the School Office who will pass the details on to us.

Please continue to bring donations, especially of logo items and smaller sizes. We are also looking for donations of new underwear, especially smaller sizes.

Attendance Matters!

We are currently working hard to increase children's levels of attendance at school: if children are in school then they are learning and making progress. Good attendance and punctuality also set up great habits for later life, the transition to high school and the requirements of the world of work. To put it into context the national average attendance for primary schools is 97%. This week ours was 83%. This is a serious concern to us as a school and also to organisations such as Ofsted who treat this lack of attendance as a safeguarding matter, hence we make no excuses for chasing up attendance and lateness. This is us doing our job to keep your children safe and helping you to avoid prosecution and a hefty fine.

To encourage the children to help you get them to school **every day** and **on time** some of our year 6 children have come with a plan to reward the best class attendance every week. They have chosen a golden cup which will be our school attendance trophy and each week they will collect the attendance figures from the school office and announce the winning class. We did a dummy run this week and the winners were Class Jonah! Well done Class Jonah! This means this class get to keep the attendance cup in their classroom for a week AND have half an hour 'golden/choosing' time on a Friday afternoon which has proved popular with both children and staff!

This does not mean we expect children to come into school when they are ill!

We do however expect them to give school a try if they have a headache or a tummy ache. Rest assured that we will send for you if they are not managing the day. So let's make next half term the time when we ALL arrive **every day, on time and ready to learn!**

That's about all of our news for now. Have a wonderfully relaxing and safe half term break and we look forward to seeing you all back with us on time and looking smart in uniform on Monday 24th February 2020.

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<https://allsaintscofe.leics.sch.uk>