

# Newsletter 4 (2021-22)

October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021

Dear Parents,

We held our first whole school assembly **INSIDE** today! It was absolutely wonderful to see everyone together after such a long time!

One thing became immediately obvious is that some children had never been in this type of assembly before. They managed very well and everyone should be praised for their enthusiastic reaction towards the Thought of the Week which has been **The First will be Last** – ask the children how horrible I was!

## The Great Flood – Latest News

We have now become accustomed to the effects of The Great Flood. The Reception class looks almost back to normal but still doesn't have a vinyl floor and wall coverings. The Nursery basement continues to be a problem as there is underground water present which has not evaporated despite our best efforts. All the affected areas need extensive work but we are carrying on in true St. Saviour's style.

Our surveyor has put together a plan of works and this has gone out to tender; the first contractor visited today. Whilst we had hoped work would begin earlier, we have to be realistic and come to terms with the fact that work will not begin until after half term at the earliest. The silver lining is that all repairs will be covered by insurance!

The Nursery are using the Home Corner and their ground floor area. The basement is now being used to store resources used by Nursery and Reception. These have, until today, been housed in a large gazebo in the KS1 playground so thank you to Mr. Higgins and Year Six for helping with the move today.

## Secondary Transfer Meetings for Year Six Parents

If you haven't made an appointment to see me to discuss secondary transfer options, please do so as soon as possible as times are booking up really quickly. You should also make an appointment to see Father Bradley if you are applying for Church school.

## The New School Council

The first meeting of the School Council was held yesterday with Miss Weekes arranging the proceedings. Each class voted for their representatives and understand that they are only allowed one vote each. The new Reps are: **Year Two: Hayden and Adhiraj, Year Three: Nika and Stefanos, Year Four: Lacey and Kleanthis, Year Five: Salome, Archie and Ben, Year Six: Hugo, Anna and Alfred. Congratulations everyone on your election!**

## After School Clubs – Are Amazing!

All Clubs held their first session this week and both adults and children were beaming from ear to ear – we all had such fun! There are still a limited number of places in some clubs so if you are interested please e-mail Mrs. Pearman on [mpearman@stsavioursprimary.co.uk](mailto:mpearman@stsavioursprimary.co.uk)

## A Message from the School Office

- If you need to cancel Wrap Around because your child is in an After School Club, please give 2 weeks' notice to Miss Simmons.
- If your child is ill, absent or has an appointment, please tell the office and not the class teachers.

**The School Photographer was not able to visit as planned on Wednesday as she was sick. We have rescheduled the photo shoot for this coming Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October from 9:00 a.m.**

### **Reception and Year Six Buddies are Back!!**

I am delighted to announce that the Year Six and Reception Buddies have bonded! I have attached a copy of the Buddy List for your information. Year Six and Reception children should come to the gate closest to the playground on Monday.

Year Five have kindly agreed to help Year One by being their Buddies until Easter. The final pairings have not been decided yet but Year Five and Year One should enter the building by the front door from Monday. A separate message on ParentMail gives you more details.

### **PTA News**

The PJ/Onesie day was a huge success and much fun was had by all. Thank you to everyone who paid via ParentMail – this is such a good method for payment.

The brand new 100 Club Listed is going well on ParentMail. £100 per randomly allotted number with the first draw on 15<sup>th</sup> October. Chance win £250 or £150 every month! We have already allocated 24 numbers so please check out ParentMail to purchase the chance to win big!

Making Gift Aid Happen - We will shortly be sending Gift Aid forms to everyone to ask them to sign up for Gift Aid. Without having to pay any extra money, we can claim back 25% of any donation you give to school from the Tax Office,

### **The Book Club Visit**

Miss Granite is making sure your orders are in by this afternoon. The books should arrive in school shortly.

### **Buster's Weekend Friend – Lochie Year Four**

Lochie has shown a lot of resilience and determination in class. Despite having an injured arm and having to wear a cast, he has produced some outstanding pieces of work. Lochie always tries his hardest in each and every class.

### **Teacher Angel – Mrs. Pearman**

The children feel that Mrs. Pearman is really helpful and very organised. She always tries her best to help the school and has been especially helpful this week with organising the After School Clubs. She has worked hard to make sure that everyone had a fair chance of having a club to go to.

**Friday TryDay:** Today, we tried Dandelion and Burdock drink. This is a very traditional recipe and tastes like a combination of flavours including fruit and liquorice. I bought it from Tesco for 50p a bottle – many of the children may ask you to buy it for them!

### **Stars of the Week**

**Nursery:** Oki is the Star of the Week. We love having you in our class! You are always so happy and enthusiastic and so much fun. You really enjoy everything at school and you are a great friend to every in Nursery. Thank you for being so wonderful!

**Reception:** Our star of the week in reception this week is Charlie Perowne for always having a go at trying new things. Charlie always explores all the activities and works well during our carpet sessions. Well done!

**Year One:** Rosie is the Star of the Week. She's shown great maturity and leadership this week. She showed other children that they will be okay even if they are feeling a little bit sad.

**Year Two:** Logan, congratulations on being Star of the Week. You have completed exceptional work in English this week. I am so proud of how much your writing has improved over the last few weeks. Keep up the great work!

**Year Three:** Nathalie has had a brilliant week. She has been so kind and helpful to other children. She displayed excellent team work skills in our maths presentations. We will miss her so much when she leaves next week!

**Year Four:** Alex is our star of the week! You have tried your hardest in every single lesson and always show great kindness and help your friends whenever they need it.

**Year Five:** Edward has had another brilliant week. He has continued to work hard and his contributions during classroom discussion times are often thoughtful, insightful and interesting. We are going to miss him when he leaves St Saviour's next week. Well done and good luck in your new school.

**Year Six:** Lucas has had a fantastic week. He is always extremely polite and listens carefully in class. His Maths, in particular, this week has been very impressive and he consistently tries his best. Well done.

### New Children Joining our school and finding friends

Thank you to Senna in Year Three for helping Luxi feel very welcome to Year Three and to Miss Hadera helping Ebenezer in Year Three as she speaks Tigrinya. Miss Hadera, Senna and Luxi's parents have also found new friends. Your support for new members of our school family is worth its weight in gold!

And finally..... there has been an outbreak of Chicken Pox in Reception.

And finally #2 ..... Please ensure that your child wears a coat to school and does not bring an umbrella. No coat, no playtime if it is wet!

I hope you have a restful weekend and keep safe.

With love and best wishes,

Ms. Woodford