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# HAPPY NEW YEAR AND WELCOME BACK

Prayer Dear Jesus This week we have celebrated the feast of the Epiphany When the 3 kings visited Jesus and brought gifts Help us to give the gift of love, kindness and peace To others Amen



#### ATTENDANCE

Attendance figures for week ending Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December are as follows:

Year R 84.8%	Year 1 91.4%	Year 2 96%	Year 3 92%
Year 4 86.2%	Year 5 94.1%	Year 6 95.9%	91.7%

Whole school attendance this academic year: 92.8%

#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Places will be allocated on a first come basis. Please contact the school office.

Tuesdays 3.15 to 4pm	Music and Dance Club Yr2 to Yr6 Miss Williams
Wednesdays 3.15 to 4.15pm	Saints Southwest Club Yr2 to Yr6 Sign up online at the following address:- <u>https://saints-</u> <u>southwest.class4kids.co.uk/info/1283</u>
Thursdays 3.15 to 4pm	Activity Club Yr1 to Yr6 Mrs Cusack

# PARENTPAY

If you have already booked your child's meals for the weeks ahead please could you re-select your child's options as ParentPay have tweaked the menus. Thank you.

#### FOREST SCHOOLS

The weather gets wet, windy and cold during these next few months therefore Forest Schools will not run for now but will resume again once the coldest months have passed.

#### READING

If you have a spare hour in the week and would like to come in and hear readers then this would be greatly appreciated. It can be in another class to where your child is if that is a concern. Please see your class teacher, Mrs Hamilton or Mrs Bridges if you are interested.

# BOOKS

If you have any good quality second hand books that your child has grown out of then we would be happy to receive them. The Friends of the school are raising funds to buy books for the school.

# INFECTIONS

As you are aware, there are a number of infections circulating in the community at the moment including scarlet fever, flu and chicken pox. Attached is a letter to parents from the Health Security Agency on advice and spotting symptoms. Please remind your children about good hand hygiene. Attached is a sheet to help with this.

#### **JOB VACANCY**

There is still a temporary maternity leave cover post for 16 hours a week. If you are interested or know someone that is interested then please see Mrs Hamilton. This is an ideal opportunity for someone that is thinking about working in schools, may not have any experience but has a positive attitude and wants to learn new skills. Working with children is hard work but tremendously rewarding, knowing that you can making a real difference to the lives of children.

# TEN TEN MAY NEWSLETTER

TEN TEN is the main resource we use for our acts of worship and assemblies. They produce a parent newsletter each month for parents to follow at home with their children. The link below will take you to the newsletter. https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-newsletter/

# GUITAR LESSONS

Joe Dostal is currently running guitar and ukulele lessons at our school. If your child is interested in learning either of these instruments then please contact Joe directly.



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb Mon 13<sup>th</sup> to Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Feb Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Feb Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Mar Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Mar Mon 5<sup>th</sup> to Fri 14<sup>th</sup> April

Bag2School Collection 9am School Disco 3.30pm to 5pm Half term Non-Pupil Day Red Nose Day Easter Bazaar Easter Holidays