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Welcome

School closes for the half-term holiday on Friday 16 October. We re-open on Monday 2 November to all students.

It only seems like yesterday that Schools were breaking up for their Summer holidays after what has been a very challenging and in many ways, unusual period of uncertainty. The start of a new term always symbolises a new chapter in the life of a school and in particular welcoming our children back to school provided us all with a great sense of energy and enthusiasm as we approach a new term. It is with great pleasure that I share my reflections of this first half term with you as well as draw your attention to particular events that have taken place.

First of all, this is the first edition of the new All Saints' newsletter! This is one of the main methods of communicating with parents and carers. May I remind you that this newsletter will be available via the School's website as well as Social Media. A copy will also be sent to our Partner Primary schools as well as our local parishes. It is anticipated that an edition will be produced every half term, with perhaps the exception of the Spring Term which tends to be much shorter in duration.

The first few days were an exciting time as we welcomed our new Year 7 students to the School. I am quite sure that for many, the first day in a Secondary School can be quite a daunting experience. I am aware of how difficult the transition process from a Primary school to a Secondary school can be, however I am pleased to report that our new additions to the All Saints' community have settled in extremely well and I hope that they regard All Saints' as **'their'** School. Mrs Harris, the Year Progress Leader for Year 7 has worked hard to forge strong relationships with students and she has worked in partnership with Form Tutors to ensure that their needs have been catered for and that they have felt supported and nurtured. May I remind you that any queries or concerns regarding your child's education should be addressed to their Form Tutor or alternatively their respective Year Progress Leader.

Some of you will have made choices concerning Secondary education for your Child who is currently in Year 6. As you are aware, we are unable to host external visitors in school which is why we created a promotional video showcasing our wonderfully vibrant community. May I remind you that the deadline for applications is October 31st. If you have any questions regarding the admissions' process, please contact Mrs. Jane Ellis-Laycock at school.

I am also pleased to report that 89 students enrolled into our Sixth Form, the largest number for many years. I am reliably informed that they have settled in extremely well, fully embracing the challenges associated with study at A' level. Our Year 13 students are now thinking about life after All Saints' whether that is at university; a Higher level apprenticeship or seeking employment.

Finally, thank you again for your continued support during these turbulent times. Please do keep us in your prayers and of course, if you need any support or guidance with any aspect of school life, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,

Carlo Cuomo, Headteacher

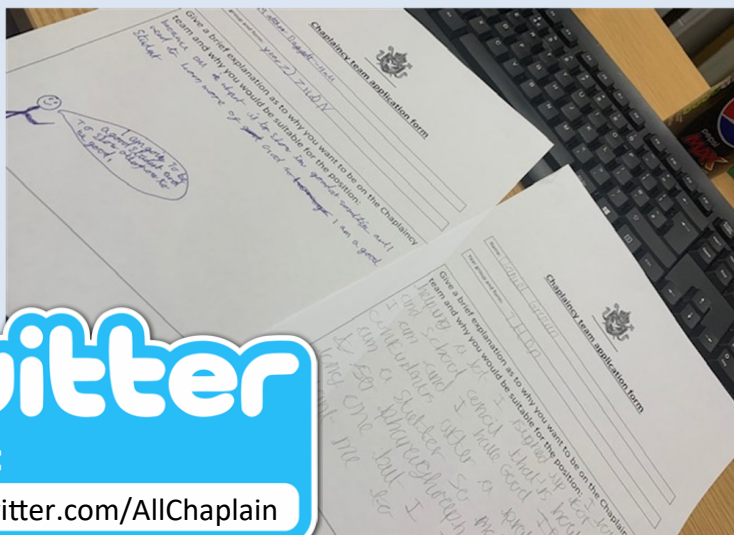


Chaplaincy News

Prayer is more important now than ever. We not only pray for ourselves but also for the needs of others. Although we have not been able to come together in the traditional sense this half term for prayer, the students have been instrumental in creating and making our prayer videos and reflections. You can access any of our prayer resources from home at www.beinspirational.co.uk



We are so blessed to have such a vibrant chaplaincy team here at All Saints'. The application process opened to our year 7's this half term and it was a pleasure to read through so many inspiring application forms. Keep you eyes peeled for our virtual 'Acts of Worship' and fundraising endeavours which the chaplaincy teams from all year groups will be taking leadership on. Well done team chaplaincy, once again you are showing us all the importance of being outwardly facing Christians.



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A huge congratulations to Oliver Mucha

in Year 7, who won our 'Macmillan cake bake competition' with his amazing Malteser, devil chocolate cake.

Historically, All Saints' have always supported the Macmillan Coffee Morning by selling cakes. We had to think a little outside the box this year and so, in a bid to raise awareness for this wonderful charity, we invited the students to enter the cake bake competition. If students felt that their skills didn't lie in the kitchen, they



were asked to create bunting for our school display to act as reminder that now more than ever, we need to support the ongoing charitable work of many organisations. Raising awareness is just as, if not more important in supporting the amazing work of charities.



Supporting
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CANCER SUPPORT**

Congratulations

to former student Frankie Maguire, who has just signed a two year professional contract with Sheffield United FC who play in the Premier League.

Frankie helped All Saints' win the 2016 Town Cup, playing for the year above and captained his own year group to the 2017 Mansfield & Ashfield Schools Cup.

It's fantastic to see one of our former students doing so well and achieving their dreams.



Baking Star

From school student to young business owner – Annie-Mae Lund

One GCSE student used lockdown to her advantage and decided to start up her own business. From a love of baking and creativity **Sunshine Bakes** was born. Sunshine bakes produce 100% vegan cakes that don't scrimp on flavour or style! Now back in school studying for her A Levels Annie-Mae is showing that dreams really do come true with dedication and hard work! Well Done Annie-Mae!



Poetry Competition

What feels like decades ago back in February, several talented poets entered a poetry competition for the Young Writers organisation. They were challenged with the title the 'Through Their Eyes'. The following students produced wonderful poems which have been chosen for publication!

Miss Grainger and the English Department say congratulations to our budding literary stars!

Issy B, Liana D-S, Madison B, Lauren C, Hemn W, Isabelle C, Olivia M, Rudy R, Willow H, Caitlin P, Angel S, Niah B-B, Faith W, Chahat M and Josh C.



BOOK CLUB

For Staff and Years 11, 12 and 13 only

We are thrilled to announce our new book club, where staff and students will read and meet to discuss just three books across the academic year.

All you have to do is read and enjoy! The meeting time to discuss will last one hour and is a space for us all to share our thoughts and opinions on the set book.

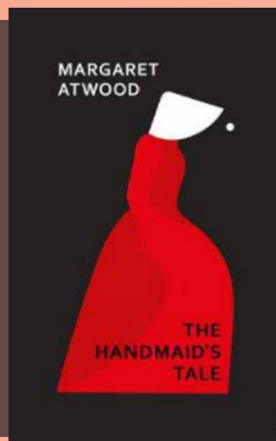
Email grainger.s@allsaints.notts.sch.uk for further details.

Book 1

Mrs Lees' Choice:

The Handmaid's Tale

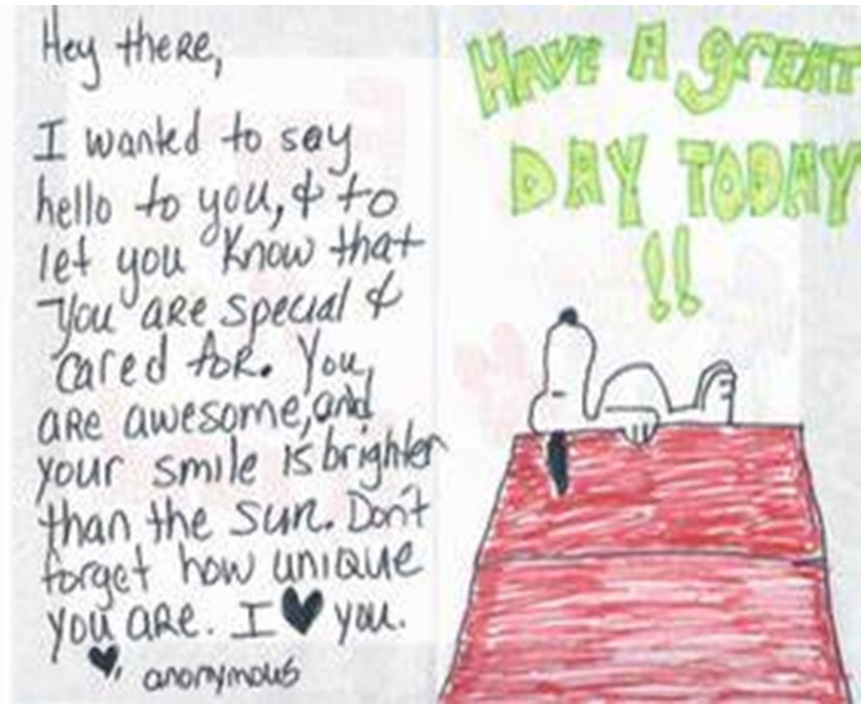
by Margaret Atwood



First meeting:
Microsoft Teams,
Tuesday 8/12/20
Time TBC

Our year 7 students have been busy writing letters to the residents of our local care home 'Maun View'. A very small number of students will hand deliver the letters to the care home, where we will be met outside by the well-being manager who will store the letters safely for 72 hours before delivering them to the residents.

Our students felt that it was really important to reach out to members of our community who may still feel isolated and cut off from their loved ones during this time. Well done year 7, what a beautiful way to give your time and efforts to others.



DIABETES UK
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Congratulations to our school lay chaplain, Vicki, who walked over 475 miles to raise money and awareness for 'Diabetes UK'. More people than ever have diabetes. More people than ever are at risk of type 2 diabetes. If nothing changes, more than five million people will have diabetes in the UK by 2025. As a sufferer of type 1 diabetes, Vicki decided to dedicate her summer to walking a million steps for the charity that helps so many sufferers and their families. Well done Vicki!



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Rewards

It has been pleasing to see so many students this first half term receiving a large number of achievement points for a variety of lessons and for consistently following the All Saints' Way (100% attendance and no behaviour points for the week). The number of students achieving the All Saints' Way last week were:

Year 7: 133 Year 8: 102 Year 9: 110 Year 10: 90 Year 11: 114

Students have also been nominated by their subject teachers to receive a praise postcard for an excellent start to the year and these will be handed out by SLT this week and the first week after half term so well done to all students nominated.

As we approach half term 2 there will be other opportunities including celebrating students with excellent conduct points (certificates and being entered into a prize drawer) and rewarding students who consistently follow the All Saints' Way with a Christmas treat!



Well done to all our students who have made such a positive start to the school year and particularly those who have maintained 100% school attendance.

Across the school; 516 students (54.9% of our students) have achieved 100% attendance

609 students (64.8% of our students) have 96% attendance or above.

We have continued to work very closely with students, parents and carers and would like to thank them for their ongoing support in ensuring their child attends school where possible and when they have been too poorly for school, have followed the official guidelines which has helped us to keep all our students, staff and families safe. The rigorous systems we have implemented have ensured that All Saints' has remained open to as many students as possible and other schools in the area will be implementing similar systems after the half term break. Students have continued to work at home where school attendance hasn't been possible and are all now back in school being fully supported with their studies.

We take pride in continually striving to raise our standards to higher levels and by doing this, we are providing our students with the very best opportunities for a successful start in life.

Most importantly, it is our students who will be reaping the benefits through their achievements!



I am delighted to see how well our new year 7 students have settled into All Saints' and secondary school life.

It has been a strange start, unlike any other first half term to the academic year, but, our youngsters have demonstrated great resilience and tolerance.

Whilst we are sadly unable to offer our usual range of extra curricular activities, competitions and sporting opportunities, I have been pleased by the number of students choosing to put themselves forwards to join the Eco Warriors and to be considered for the Year Captain posts as well as student council.

I am looking forward to conducting interviews to appoint my Year Captain team as soon as we return after the half term holiday.

Despite the changes and restrictions which are far from ideal, I feel optimistic about the rest of the year as we are working with a fantastic bunch of year 7's, who have demonstrated already that they will make the most of this extraordinary year.

Mrs Harris

Year 7 Progress leader



SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Keeping Students Safe

If you have a safeguarding concern, our team are here to listen to you and help you with any situations you may be facing. They will listen to you no matter what issues you may have so do come and speak with us.

 Mr C Hutchinson Designated Senior Person KS3-4 for Child Protection Assistant Head Teacher (Teaching and Learning)	 Mrs L Johnson Designated Senior Person KS5 for Child Protection Deputy Head (Curriculum and QA)	 Mrs C Warriner Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection John Paul Centre Manager
 Mrs S Corner Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Behaviour and Learning Coordinator	 Mrs R Davie Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Assistant Head Teacher (Head of Sixth Form)	 Mrs N Kilday Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Assistant Head Teacher (Behaviour & Attitudes)
 Miss H Flint Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Assistant Head Teacher (Personal Development)	 Mr S Growcott Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Curriculum Leader for Science	 Mrs J Gascoyne Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Teacher of Food Technology
 Mrs D Bamford Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Leader of Learning Support and SENDCo / LAC Designated Teacher	 Mrs A Nattriss Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Cover Manager / Teacher of RE	 Mrs J Thompson Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Behaviour Management Support
 Mrs J Webley Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Year 8 Progress Manager / Cover Supervisor	 Mr T White Designated Deputy Person for Child Protection Student Well-Being Coordinator	Eva Callaghan Local Authority Child Protection Contact/ LADO Contact: 0115 8041272 Designated Governor for Child Protection Mrs T Parker-Cole

Personal Development



Leadership opportunities

This half term has seen a range of leadership opportunities being offered to all students. We know how important it is to allow students to develop both academically and socially, to ensure they are successful in whichever pathway they follow, after leaving All Saints'. These opportunities include:

'No to hate' ambassadors
– promoting equality for all

Eco Warriors – developing the All Saints' environment and ethos



- these group are due to start their work after half term

Student Council – taking student opinions and producing a plan to improve school life at All Saints'

Year 7:

Julia Bednarczyk GCS
Oliver Mucha DSN
Alan Zuranski GCS
Oliver Hall AHN
Ella Macadam HDN
Matthew Daggett-Hall HDN
Daniel Brown HDN
Elisha Agnew DSN

Year 8:

Sophie Lipscombe ECD
Francesca Godman SWO
Maciej Kalinowski SWO
Ellie Spier CGS

Year 9:

Troy Spearing OVY
Nicholas Burton LMR
Esra Genc BET

Year 11:

Tia Davis GSL
Harry Ward JSH
Mahema Abdul GSL
Ralph Barrett JSH
Maddison Steffen

Year 10:

Liana Della-Spina JRE



Year Captains – supporting the Year Progress Leader

Successful Year 11 Captains include:

Leah Schofield JSH
George Price JSH
Adam Scott JSY
Madison Steffen GSL
Charlotte Cox JWN
Olivia Whitney
Livia Emery JSH
Lisette Westwater GSL
Olivia Brudzinska REA
Neva Arun JSY
Michael McPhilbin REA

Well done to all students that have taken up these great opportunities



Year 10 have made an exemplary start to the year. They have shown great maturity, determination and dedication to their education and we are very proud of them. It is so lovely to have our community back together and pupils need to be praised for their kindness and support made to each other at this time. Students have been working hard and collecting a large volume of achievement points as well as post cards home for their successes. Well done team Y10. Keep up the good work.

Miss Coupe

Year 10 Progress leader

Careers Update

As part of the careers guidance and education programme we deliver at All Saints' Catholic Voluntary Academy your child has access to Kudos, the latest program from CASCAID.

Kudos



Kudos is accessible online and we are encouraging the use of it at home to involve parents with the important decisions your child has to make about their future options.

Kudos will help your child to assess their interests and skills, as well as letting them explore and research different education and career options, enabling them to make informed decisions about their future. This term all students were given their passwords and encouraged to logon to Kudos.

All CASCAID programs come with a comprehensive range of support materials including the Parents'/Carers' Guide to Careers Education & Guidance. This Guide will help you understand the options available to your child at each transition stage. To view the Parents' Guide and student login guide, please visit the All Saints' Website.

Our aim is to ensure that all students have the resources to fully explore and research their future options in order to make informed choices. We hope that you find Kudos useful and informative and enjoy discovering this new resource with your child.

Kind regards,

Miss Coupe

Achievement Points

10ANS 769	(avg 29.58)
10JRE 696	(avg 26.77)
10RGN 671	(avg 25.81)
10BDS 668	(avg 25.68)
10MDS 608	(avg 24.32)
10MWN 573	(avg 21.22)
10MMY 484	(avg 17.29)

It's really important we hold up-to-date parent/carers contact details for all students – including email and mobile numbers. If we have not already got these on file please let us know at admin@allsaints.notts.sch.uk

Sixth Form News

Exam results 2020 – congratulations to the year 13 students who received their results this August. The results achieved were testament to the hard work and dedication of the students and staff. 10% of awarded grades were at A*, 35% achieved A*-A, 55% achieved A*-B and 100% of awarded grades A*-E. Congratulations to the following students on the outstanding achievements they made over the summer;

Nathalia – AAAB – University of Sheffield – Medicine

Amy – A*A*A – University of Cambridge - English

Chloe – AAA- University of Birmingham – English and Creative Writing

Taniya - A*AA - Brighton and Sussex Medical School – Medicine

Louis – AAA – University of Sheffield – Environmental sciences

Olivia – A*A*A – University of Sheffield – Law

Charlie – AAA – University of Aberdeen – Law (English Law)

Marcelina – A*A*A University of Cambridge – Modern and Medieval Languages

Tess – A*A*A* - University of Leeds – Radiography

Josie - A*A*A* - University of Sheffield – History

Joseph - AAA – Physiotherapy deferred application for 2021 entry

Harry - AAA - University of Sheffield – Medicine

Khaleel - A*A*A*A* - Lancaster University – Natural Sciences

95% of the year group secured University places and we wish all students all the best for the future.

University of Cambridge HE+ programme – we have launched a University Programme working alongside the University of Cambridge with 25 applicants 10 students have secured a place on the programme, this will entail sample lectures from University staff and support applying to competitive universities.

Aspiring medics welcome ex student and head girl Lisa Kells to school to speak to years 13, 12 and 11 students who are applying or considering applying to medicine to talk through the application process, the degree and working as a Doctor. Lisa has just graduated from her medical degree in Liverpool and now working in Aintree Hospital A&E department.

Good luck to our Year 13 students who are submitting applications for The University of Oxford, University of Cambridge, Medicine and Veterinary Sciences. 14 students have submitted applications and we wish them all the best for the rigorous process ahead.

Head Boy and Head Girl Appointments

Congratulations to Henry Marshall and Rebecca Hyatt on their successful dominations.

To support them in their new roles 5 deputies have also been appointed, congratulations to :

Saga Sabu, Joseph Walker,

Wiktoria Kmieckowiak, Gretel Bennett and Gabriela Kaczmarek.



Mental Health and Wellbeing

This half term we have seen the introduction of fortnightly education sessions for students, the addition of a wellbeing coordinator to each year group and a very successful Mental Health Awareness day. Young Minds organised the **#HelloYellow**

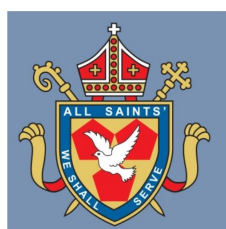


day, where

students and staff were asked to wear something yellow, to raise awareness of Mental Health.

This year we raised over £200, thank you to all those that took part.

Remember to please email wellbeing@allsaints.notts.sch.uk if you have any Mental Health and/or wellbeing questions or suggestions.



ALL SAINTS' POST-16 INFORMATION & RESOURCES EVENT

Unfortunately we unable to invite our year 11 and prospective students to our annual ASPIRE event to showcase the achievements of our students and opportunities available in the Sixth Form alongside offering support for our students in preparation for their GCSE mock and real exams. We have launched a number of videos on the school website and our Facebook page to provide information on the Sixth Form and courses available as well as helpful revision guides to help with exams. We encourage Year 11 students to watch the videos and speak to staff about courses they are considering for Sixth Form.



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