



St Saviour's

Church of England Primary School

AUTUMN 2 WEEK 4

Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way that you think – Romans 12:2 NLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

Winter has very definitely been in the air this week, but despite the cold, St. Saviour's has been a hotbed of excitement and engagement.

This week we saw the return of St Saviour's annual Speech Competition. The competition is part of our commitment to Courageous Advocacy. The goal of this work is, in the words of the Church of England, to empower their pupils to become powerful agents of change, inspiring them to take action. Of course, we do this in many ways, from our cultural festival to our work to support refugees. The speech competition, however, is very special. Children from across the school wrote speeches and read them to their peers. This week we held the final and I would like to congratulate all of the children who took part. The winning speech was both a witty and a powerful argument for vegetarianism by **Arya** in Y3.

Though the Autumn term has already been full of excitement, we have even more lined up for the coming weeks. As part of our Young Transformers programme in which we provide enriching experiences for children to transform themselves, others and their community, we will soon be welcoming Professor Bubbleworks to St. Saviour's. Professor Bubbleworks will bring the wonder of science to St. Saviour's with hands-on activities, interactive experiments and lots of excitement. We are sure the professor will spark curiosity and enthusiasm for science in all of the children.

Children in Year 2 are in for an exciting adventure with Safari Pete. The children will have the chance to get up close to a range of exotic animals, while learning interesting facts about wildlife, the environment and conservation. This is sure to ignite a love for nature and the natural world.

We are hosting a **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Workshop** for parents and carers on **Thursday 28th November**. The workshop will run from 3:00-3:30. If you would like to attend, please arrive at the school for 2:55. This session will provide practical advice and resources to support children with additional needs. Mr Philips will also be available for one-to-one discussions. We encourage all interested parents to attend what will be an informative and helpful workshop.

Finally, I am delighted to celebrate another outstanding week of attendance at St. Saviour's! This week, our whole-school attendance reached 96.24 %, while whole school attendance for the year so far is an outstanding 97% . A huge thank you to all our families for prioritizing your children's education and ensuring they are in school every day, ready to learn, grow, and thrive.

I would like to close this newsletter with a quote from Proverbs 4:26 which reminds us of one of our Christian values: tenacity.

"Let your eyes look straight ahead; fix your gaze directly before you. Give careful thought to the paths for your feet and be steadfast in all your ways."

Best wishes,
Mr Pitchford

DESIGN OUR MP'S FESTIVE GREETING CARD



Our MP for Walthamstow invites all children under 12 to participate in her Annual Festive Greetings Card Competition! This is a fantastic chance for young artists to share their creativity, celebrate the festive season, and show off what makes Walthamstow special!

The winning design will be professionally printed and sent to over 4,000 people, including the Prime Minister and Members of Parliament. Plus, the young artist who creates the winning design will be invited to Westminster for a special afternoon tea with the MP and their family!

Here's how to join:

1. Theme: Show your festive spirit and love for Walthamstow in your artwork. You can use Christmas, Hanukkah, New Year, or winter celebrations as inspiration.
2. Be Creative: Use bright colours (felt-tip pens or paint work best). Remember, no glitter or glued-on decorations, as the card will be digitally reproduced.
3. Include Local Details: Show what makes Walthamstow unique to you!

Guidelines:

- Open to children under 12 who live in Walthamstow.
- Submit by Thursday, 28th November 2024, at 5pm.

How to Submit:

- Mail your entry to: MP's Office, 23 Orford Road, E17 9NL, or
- Email a JPEG or PDF of your artwork to: office@workingforwalthamstow.org.uk.
- Make sure to include: your name, address, phone number, school, and age. (Entries missing this info can't be considered.)

For questions, contact the MP's office at 020 8521 1223 or email office@workingforwalthamstow.org.uk.



PARENTS FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

We would like to gauge interest in reviving the Parents Friends Association at St Saviours which will support the school community through events, fundraising and creating connections amongst parents and staff.

Please contact Ms Zeina if you have interest in getting involved in the PFA or leaning more

ztalhouni@gmail.com



STARS OF THE WEEK



Year 1
Reign & Barnaby



Year 2
Grace & Jonah



Year 3
Kiara & Yadiel



Year 4
Clay & Isaiah



Year 5
Leo & Kasper



Year 6
Lemeha & Shadee



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PROGRESS CUP WINNERS

A huge well done **Harlow & Harper** to who are this week's Progress Cup winners!



KS1

Harlow Y1



KS2

Harper Y6

PRESENTATION WINNERS



Soraya Y2



Minel Y5

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Well done to

Y3 Albert Einstein

100%

&

Y5 Marie Curie

98.48%

who have won the attendance mascots
this week.



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VALUE CARD AWARDS

Well done **Hannah, Marley, Sebastian, Ayla**, who have collected 5 value cards for consistently showing our school values.



Y1 CLASS CORNER

This week in Year 1 the children have been continuing their learning on plants in Science. We have been distinguishing the differences between deciduous and evergreen trees and we have been identifying the names of trees by looking at the shapes of the leaves. Year 1 had lots of fun on their nature walk around the field, playground and forest school and helped each other to identify the leaves they had collected.



In geography we have been learning about maps and plans and we have been focusing on developing our knowledge of the countries in the United Kingdom. The children also created a plan for their classroom and used their positional language to identify where each object in the classroom is in relation to each other.

In RE we have been learning about the Christmas story in preparation for our Nativity rehearsals. The children have already been getting familiar with the songs and we are very excited to see the children perform their lines!



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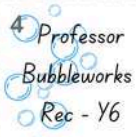



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PARENT CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1  Athlete Event	2	3
4	5	6	7 2 Johns Online Event	8  Book Fair Main Hall 3:30	9	10
11	12	13	14	15  Children in Need - Wear your pyjama's to School	16	17
Book Fair Main Hall 3:30						
18 African Drumming Workshop	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27  School Nurse Drop In	28	29	30	

DECEMBER 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
2 Story Telling: Boy at the back of the class Y4	3	4  Professor Bubbleworks Rec - Y6	5 Animal Workshop Safari Pete Y2	6	7	8
9 Musical Theatre Workshop	10 Falconry Rec - Y6 	11 Christmas Panto Rec - Y6	12  Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Day - Please order via ParentPay	13	14	15
16	17  Rec & Y1 Nativity	18	19 School finishes at 2:00pm	20	21	22
Christmas Half Term 20th Dec to 3rd Jan 2025						



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PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2025

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Do you have a child who was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?

If so, they are due to start Primary School in **September 2025**. To make an application please apply online www.eadmissions.org.uk by **15th January 2025**. For more information visit the Waltham Forest Primary Admission page on <https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/schools-education-and-learning/apply-primary-school> where you can download a copy of the **Starting Primary School 2025 brochure** which has full details of how to apply for a Primary School place.





Term Dates 2024- 2025



Autumn Term 2024

First Half (32 Days)

INSET – Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th

Start – Thursday 5th September 2024

End – Friday 18th October 2024

Half Term: Monday 21st October-25th October

Second Half (39 Days)

Start – Monday 28th October 2024

End – Thursday 19th December 2024

Holidays: Friday 20th December 2024 to Friday 3rd January 2025

Spring Term 2025

First Half (29 Days)

INSET – Monday 6th January 2025

Start – Tuesday 7th January 2025

End - Friday 14th February 2025

Half Term: Monday 17th February 2025 – Friday 21st February 2025

Second Half (30 Days)

Start - Monday 24th February 2025

End – Friday 4th April 2025

Holidays: Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April 2025

Summer Term 2025

First Half (23 Days)

Start – Tuesday 22nd April 2025

End - Friday 23rd May 2025

Half Term: Monday 26th May 2025 - Friday 30th May 2025

Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May 2025

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 26th May 2025 (during Half Term)

Second Half (37 Days)

Start - Monday 2nd June 2025

End – Tuesday 22nd July 2025

This calendar gives a total of 194 (190 pupil days plus 4 inset days – Staff to work twilight sessions to make up 1 inset day).