

Laughton All Saints' C of E Primary

Autumn Term 2 2024-2025



Dear Families,

Welcome to our second newsletter of the year. We start the new term with a busy calendar of events and experiences for our pupils, including visits to All Saints Church on Armistice Day, a sponsored skip in aid of Children in Need and workshops from an external provider with a focus on Respect, during Anti-bulling week. Events such as these provide children with opportunities to show love, respect and compassion for people past and present, as well as empathy.

Our community café takes on a different focus this year, as classes prepare to lead the sessions and share their work with their families. We were delighted to see our Class 4 families on Tuesday, this week, when they joined their children for the first presentation of the year. Well done, to all pupils for their courage in presenting their learning and sharing their talents. Many thanks to families who made or bought refreshments for the session. We are always very appreciative of your thoughtfulness.

This week, our Academy Leader of Education joined us to lead an assembly for our pupils on the importance of Inter-faith Week. As a Church school, it is important that we ensure our children are aware of other religions and religious practices and gain a mutual respect. Though this is achieved in part through our R.E. and PSHE curriculums, it is important for us to engage with other organisations and individuals who can share their first-hand knowledge and experiences. It is our aim to introduce our pupils to additional adults who can provide this, over the year.



Collective Worship: What we do at Laughton All Saints

At 9.00a.m every morning, our pupils and teachers assemble in the hall to take part in Collective Worship. Each of the days has a specific focus and is led by a different member of staff.

Monday - a time to share house point news; celebrate positive attendance and achievements gained out of school hours.

Tuesday - Special Mentions - class teachers award two pupils from their classes a special mention. The focus for the awards will vary but will be either a specific curriculum area or a positive attribute e.g. kindness/determination. Reading certificates and any other awards will also be passed on during this collective worship.

Wednesday - Collective Worship with a focus on a story from the Bible. Every half term, we have a visit from our wonderful 'Open the Book' team, who engage children in a role play version of a Bible story and relate the content to Christian values. At the end of the session, we share prayers and reflect.

Thursday - Diversity and Inclusion/Values. A focus on important and special events in the multi-faith, religious calendar.

Friday - Picture News - current affairs with a moral focus. This session includes a 'BIG QUESTION.'

Spiritual Council participation - we give opportunities for our council members to deliver/create prayers, share news and lead assemblies.

In our first half term, many of our pupils have received a 'special mention' award for a specific subject, school value or showing another positive quality.

It has been a joy to present the awards and to see our pupils show courage and pride in standing in front of their peers, teachers and families. We hope to see many more families join us in the coming weeks. Thank you so much for your attendance - we really appreciate it.

Mentions so far...

Class 1 - George, Kamiyah, Chester, Isabella, Miles, Jacob, Alice, Lucy, Sienna, Lara, Lottie, Ella, Winnie, Ronnie, Brea and Lillie-Mae.

Class 2 - Hallie-Rae, Boston, Vinnie, Isabelle, Sophia, Samuel, Rowan, Kyara, Barnaby, Harley, Elliot, Meghan, Luca, Carter and Anaisa.

Class 3 - Hannah, Peniel, Sebastian, Theo, Dawson, Holly, Tymur, Harry St, Abel, Miley, Alfie, Lucia, Fionn, Lucas and Meredyn.

Class 4 - Sofia, Austin, Kendra, Nikolas, Summer, Charley, Archie-Fox, Archie, Kyran, Thomas, Darcie-Rae, Poppy, Gracie, Rachel, Libby and Aleyah.



Well done to the following pupils for achieving 50+ reads, at home (Bronze

Award) so far. Keep up the great work!

Class 2 - Rowan and Boston

Class 3 - Ethan, Theo, Abe and Harry Sh.

Class 4 - Alfie, Archie G, Finnley, Poppy, Rachel, Sofia, Libby, Kairen,



Dan the Skipping Man:

Hats off to all our pupils who: showed good listening skills; followed instructions and showed great determination to succeed, when faced with a skipping challenge, last term. Staff from 'Dan the Skipping Man' came to demonstrate basic and more complex skipping moves. It was great to see those who couldn't skip, initially, persevere and manage several skips by the end of the session. We have invested in class sets of skipping ropes so our pupils can practise their skills and repetition at any given time of the day.

On Friday 15th November, we are inviting our pupils to take part in a sponsored skip, to raise funds for Children in Need. We can't wait!

Winterland Fayre

Plans are well on the way for our Christmas Fayre, which will be held on Friday 13th December, from 2.30p.m. We have a super team of parents/grandparents and staff members, who are currently in the process of sourcing some additional prizes for our Christmas raffle. If you know of any providers who might be willing to donate a prize, please do let us know. If you would like to volunteer help for the fayre on the day, please get in touch. Our next meeting will be Tuesday 19th November, in school, at 9.00a.m.



Thank you for supporting our drive to ensure pupils are punctual, prepared and regularly attending school. When children arrive on time, they have more opportunities to engage in activities, share their ideas and thoughts and settle calmly to the day. Thank you for making this happen ©

September 4th - October 25th (Autumn Term 1) Overall Statutory Attendance 97.2% (Above the national average for all schools).

September 2nd to week beginning 11th November - Overall Statutory Attendance 96.9%

Overall days missed - 142

Days missed from illness - 113.5 Authorised Absence 2.9%

Unauthorised Absence 0.2% Late before registration 15 Late after registration 2

CHRISTMAS SHOE-BOX APPEAL — we were delighted with the collection of Christmas boxes for our recent appeal. The boxes have been collected and will be shipped to Albania, where they will be shared with families in need. We will find out how your kindness and generosity has supported children, in the very near future, and will share the news with everyone, when we receive contact.



November:

Friday 15^{th} - Children in Need Day. Children are invited to wear anything spotty, yellow or anything related to the Pudsey Bear theme, for a suggested donation of £1. We have invited our pupils to take part in a sponsored skipping challenge throughout the day to raise funds for this special charity.

On the same day, as part of Anti-bullying week focus, pupils in all classes will attend an hour-long workshop with an emphasis on Respect. We have engaged with an external provider, who will deliver the active sessions for our pupils.

Monday 18th - Y5/6 mixed hockey festival at Dinnington High School - 4-5.15p.m

Wednesday 19th -Class 2 visit to Eureka Science Museum

Class 3 visit from the library service

 28^{th} - Classroom showcase - a drop in session for parents to view a selection of their children's work. Please refer to our school calendar for the full list of dates and events.

December:

4th - Christmas disco - Classes 1 and 2

 5^{th} – Christmas disco – Classes 3 and 4

11th - Christmas lunch (details of menu and payment will be shared, shortly)

Sunday 22nd Christmas Service - in All Saints Church.

Christmas Performances:

10th Classes 1 and 2 - 9.30a.m. and 2.30p.m. (in school)

12th Classes 3 and 4 - Christmas Concert - All Saints Church 9.30a.m and 2.30p.m.

13th Winterland Fayre - 2.30p.m and Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Parties:

16th Class 4

17th Class 3

 18^{th} Classes 1 and 2

20th Last day of term - school finishes at 2.30p.m Children can wear their Christmas clothing/jumpers if they wish.

School re-opens on Monday 6th January 2025