

**Dear Parents and Carers**

Finally, we have reached the end of the Academic year, following a very long term battling against Ofsted! The report will be officially released on the Ofsted website today, but the RAG'd version shows there are lots of wholly good green statements, some yellow statements where improvements are required and a couple of red areas to focus on.

I feel we are well on our way to becoming an Ofsted 'Good' School with half of the judgements deemed Good (Leadership & Management, Personal Development & Welfare and Sixth Form) and half RI (Teaching, Learning & Assessment, Behaviour and Outcomes.)

I would like to thank all of the staff here at All Saints for their resilience and hard work this year. I am proud to work with such dedicated professionals who day-in, day-out, do what is best for the students. 'A' Level results will be released on the 15th August and GCSE results a week later on the 22nd August. We wish all of our students the best of luck as they hopefully secure the grades needed for the next stage of their educational journey.

I will update you after the summer holidays but for now thank you for your ongoing support as we strive to give this community the 'Good' School which it fully deserves.

Have a wonderful holiday!

**Liz Furber**  
Executive Principal

**Dear Parents and Carers**

As we reach the end of another academic year, there is often a temptation to look back as opposed to looking forward. We can rarely change what has happened, but we can learn lessons from it to influence the future. However, you can sometimes change things in the here and now. You will be aware that, immediately before the last half-term break, we were inspected by Ofsted. You will know that we challenged both the process and the judgements of that inspection – a tussle that has lasted for six weeks. If I were making a comparison, it felt a bit like David (purely coincidental) taking on Goliath. Our initial indignation was sparked by a question from the Lead Inspector when she asked, 'Is your curriculum too aspirational for your community?' A few weeks ago, you were sent the 'final' report, which was very different from the first draft we received. In fact, this was issued in error by Ofsted because they had found further mistakes in their text. This week you will receive a revised final copy of the report, which has one significant difference: the judgement for the 'effectiveness of leadership and management' has changed from requires improvement to Good! In reporting that to you, I want to express the thanks of the governing body to Liz Furber for the way she has fought for justice for her staff, our students and the community that we have the privilege to serve. If there is a lesson to be learned from all of this, it is that you should fight hard for those things that you believe to be right, just and fair, and not be put off by the potential enormity of the task. In closing, I would like to thank all the staff at the Academy for their hard work during the year, to wish every success to our students who will be receiving their examination results next month, and to wish you and your family a relaxing and pleasant summer break.

**David Fraser**  
Chair of Governors

### Young Carers

If you feel that your child hasn't been identified as a Young Carer by the Academy please contact Ms Anita Herd, Welfare & Safeguarding Officer on 01582 619700 or

[aherd@asadunstable.org](mailto:aherd@asadunstable.org).

Anita will contact you and discuss how we support both yourself and your child effectively during their time at the Academy.

### Food Bank Vouchers

Vouchers are available via Ms Anita Herd, Welfare & Safeguarding Officer, please contact her on [aherd@asadunstable.org](mailto:aherd@asadunstable.org) with the name of

your child and how many adults and children live in your home.



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28th - 30th August 2019

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All coaches qualified with DBS CHECKS  
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Over recent weeks there has been an increase in young people becoming victims of robbery.

There are a number of simple steps that people can take to possibly prevent themselves from being targeted and could act as conversation starters:

- Keeping your mobile phone and valuables out of sight. If you're using your phone it's more likely to be snatched from your hand as you're not paying attention to your surroundings, so look around you.
- Being aware of who is around you when withdrawing cash.
- If possible walking with friends when out.
- Sticking to busy areas wherever you can and avoiding short cuts through dark places.
- Finally, if you're threatened with violence, don't risk your personal safety as property can be replaced, you can't.

All we would ask is for some extra awareness around keeping safe while out and about during the summer holidays.

### Uniform Support

Should you find yourself struggling to replace items of uniform please contact Ms Anita Herd on 01582 619700 or [aherd@asadunstable.org](mailto:aherd@asadunstable.org) and she will assist wherever possible.

### Safeguarding Concerns

Should you have any concerns about any child during the holidays please contact Children's Services on 0300 300 8585 and report your concerns, this can be done anonymously, please remember we all have a duty of care to the Children & Young People within our community.

### Chaplain

Over the last 9 months I have been working, one day a week (usually Mondays), typically alongside the student support team but also in some lessons and form tutor times. Whilst I offer support to both students and staff (and family as appropriate) I also help to uphold and develop our Christian distinctiveness as a Church School. I hope and pray that you all have a wonderful and safe summer, refreshed and re-invigorated for the new academic year in September where I look forward to seeing you all again. With every blessing.

**Rev. Tim Davis.**



### **Awards Evening 2019**

We were very proud of all our amazing Year 7 (now Year 8) students as they received their awards from our guest speaker, Kaitlin Horton-Samuel, last week. There were some really interesting book choices and the students were a credit to us all.

### **Contact During Summer Break**

For all existing families, contact during the summer break is by email at [parentcontact@asadunstable.org](mailto:parentcontact@asadunstable.org). Although the Academy is closed for much of the break, emails will be seen and we will try to respond promptly to any requests or concerns.

### **New Intake September 2019**

We were very pleased to welcome our new Year 7 students to the Academy during enrichment week. Students enjoyed taster lessons, time in form groups and also completed a range of tests to help support arrangements in September. Well done to everyone for such a positive start. We look forward to welcoming everyone to the new term. New starters can contact the Academy during the summer break by emailing [transition@asadunstable.org](mailto:transition@asadunstable.org). Although the Academy is closed, we will try to respond to you as soon as possible.

### **Uniform Standards**

We have been really impressed with the high standards of uniform for Year 7 students this year. As we move into Year 8, we need to see these standards continue. Skirts should be to the knee and proper shoes (Kickers are accepted) must be worn. If students are considering experimenting with hairstyles, piercings or false nails, these need to be done in the first week of the holidays so that everything can be returned to our Academy standards by 4th September.

Our uniform supplier is Prestige, 46 - 48 High Street, Flitwick, MK45 1DX and they can be contacted on 01525 716558.

### **Key Stage 3 Rewards Day**

We had an amazing 185 students eligible for our Key Stage 3 rewards day at the end of June. To qualify, students had to have more than 95% attendance, 5 or fewer behaviour points and more than 10 House Points. Even with such challenging targets,



students were able to qualify for the day. Students enjoyed a range of sports activities, facepainting, crafts, inflatable and giant games before sharing a form group picnic and competing in a traditional sports day.



### Start of the New Year

We have now said good-bye to the Year 8 students who have left Key Stage 3 to become Year 9 students and we are looking forward to welcoming our new Year 7. At the start of next term, we have the following arrangements for 4th September:-

New Year 7—Induction Day with Form Tutors 8.30am-3.00pm (students will need to bring a packed lunch for the first week of term).

New Year 8—Target Setting Day. Students need to attend for a 10 minute target setting meeting and will then work at home if parents/carers give consent.

Letters have been sent to explain the arrangements, and booking instructions, for target-setting day and we look forward to meeting many parents/carers for these meetings.

### Learning Performance

Year 8 took part in Learning Performance sessions on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June and it was great to see students exploring their working brain and memory techniques with our expert presenters. At the end of the day, a group of parents and students joined us for a special workshop to help families work together using the techniques.



### Camping

Year 7 had their first taste of independent living during Enrichment Week when 60 students went off to camp. The weather



was glorious and students spent time on outdoor pursuits and challenges. We think they've all come back a little more grown up and independent which is lovely to see.



## Students return on Wednesday 4th September

### Attendance Matters

We have had a very strong focus on attendance this term and we are delighted that, at the time of writing, 57% of the new Year 8 are eligible for either a £25 (100%) or £10 (96%) voucher. This challenge has provided an opportunity for many of our students to refocus on their attendance. At the end of this term, we have written to a number of families to remind them of the importance of good attendance and we will be making this a major focus of our target setting day in September.



### All Saints Take Over Southend

Mr Stevens, Mr Morris, Mr Harnett, Mr K Hide, Miss Phipps, Mrs Rumsey and Mr Gilbert took 111 students from years 9, 10 and 12 to Southend, Essex on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019. This was the KS4 rewards trip for students who had 5 or less behaviour points and 95% or above attendance.

The weather was perfect; the sun was out - sun cream was needed! Students were free to explore Southend within a certain area; this included the Pleasure Beach, arcades and some shops. There was even a staff cricket team on the beach.

The students were an absolute delight to take and we are very much looking forward to taking them back there again.

Charlotte Preston: I enjoyed being with my friends and doing my own thing.

Harry Dutnall: I enjoyed being able to walk around with friends and do what we want.

Caitlin Jones: I enjoyed walking around the pier area and being independent. The arcade was fun.

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## SUMMER SCHOOL CIRCLE OF LIFE!

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### PGL

Mr A Grant and Mrs Rumsey took 21 Year 9 students to PGL Marchants Hill during activities week. This was a residential where we were away for two nights.

Students were placed into two groups where we took part in a number of different activities, these include abseiling, rifle shooting, archery, zip wire, problem solving, disco, robot building and giant swing.



Students were well and truly put out of their comfort zone and tried activities they

haven't done before. Students were well behaved and a delight to take, with some asking if we could stay for longer.

Destiny Parker: I enjoyed the giant swing, abseiling and problem solving. I wish it was much longer!

Harry Dutnall: At PGL I enjoyed zip wire and the problem solving





## **Rome**

All Saints Academy Sixth Form travelled to Rome to see some fantastic sites and taste some amazing food. All students were a real credit to the Academy and have created some amazing memories to look back on.

In particular visits to The Colosseum, The Vatican, including St Peters Basilica and the Vatican museums, The Pantheon, Spanish Steps and the students' favourite, The Trevi Fountain.



## **Enrichment Week**

Sixth Form students had an exciting and varied Enrichment Week in July. As well as spending the time looking at important life skills such as budgeting, university applications and how car insurance works. They were able to have some well-deserved fun by going bowling, a session learning fencing and took part in a Bake Off style competition. A great week!

## **Attendance**

Well done to our Sixth Form students that have had excellent attendance this term. They are:

Rhiannon Bennett	Amy Mead
Luke Conniff	Natsai Mundawarara
Marta Grabinska	Georgia Roberts
James Hagan	Cody Robinson
Georgia Hawthorne	Zoe Samuels
Jessica Kelly	Kailey Smith
Summer-Louise Lacey	Georgia Watson

### Cycling Safety

Thank you to all of our students who now ride to the Academy wearing a cycling helmet. We have made this compulsory for all students who bring their cycle onto the Academy site following a series of serious accidents in the local community. We are aware that a very small number of students are not yet compliant with this requirement and need to make it clear that these students will not be allowed to bring their cycles to the Academy in September.

### Visit to Hillsong Church

Once again we had a wonderful outing to Hillsong church at the Dominion Theatre London. The students enjoyed the lively worship and attending the youth work Fuel where we looked at the life of Joshua before splitting into



small groups for a time of discussion. The students navigated the tube and London bus system with ease and growing confidence. We



enjoyed our picnics in St James Yard and ice-cream at the iconic Fortnum and Mason Parlour. The highlight for many of the students was blessing London's homeless with homemade picnics.

### Thrive App

During the holidays, encourage your son/daughter to use the Thrive App on their iPad to monitor their moods, encourage relaxation and motivate them to be active. The Thrive App also provides signposting to other agencies if your child is feeling particularly vulnerable or worried during the break.



### ENGLISH DEPARTMENT READING & WRITING CLUB

Monday lunchtimes from 1.15pm to 1.45pm

Wednesdays after school from 3.10pm to 3.40pm

With Mr Jolley and Mrs Jolliffe

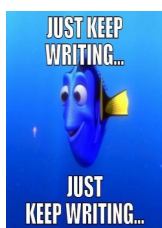
LOTS OF FUN WRITING COMPETITIONS  
WITH AMAZING PRIZES!!

**Poetry Competition**

**Short Story Competition**

**Script Writing Competition**

LOTS OF INTERESTING BOOKS TO READ AND DISCUSS  
with a reading list provided



### Summer Holiday

### Learn to Ride & Cycle Confidence

Get kids riding in a safe, off-road environment, supported by local Sustrans schools officer Alistair Barclay. Choose a one-hour time slot and location that suits you, then contact alister.barclay@sustrans.org.uk, 07917 084663 for further details and to sign up.

#### Saturdays at Priory House

Central Bedfordshire Council car park, Chicksands, Bedford SG17 5TQ

#### Saturday 3rd August

10.30-11.30 Beginners only

#### Saturday 10th August

10.30-11.30 Beginners & Improvers

#### Saturday 17th August

10.30-11.30 Beginners & Improvers

#### Saturday 24th August

10.30-11.30 Beginners & Improvers

#### Sundays at Watling House

Central Bedfordshire Council car park, High Street North, Dunstable LU6 1LF

#### Sunday 11th August

10am-11am Beginners

#### Sunday 18th August

10am-11am Beginners

#### Sunday 25th August

10am-11am Beginners

#### Sunday 25th August

11am-12pm Improvers



**British Cycling Go-Ride for confident cyclists and improvers**  
Every Saturday morning at RAF Henlow 10am-12pm.  
£3 per session. Sign up to the Youth Cycling @ RAF Henlow Facebook page.





**New online counselling and emotional well-being service available for children and young people now**

A new online counselling and emotional well-being service for children and young people has been commissioned by the local NHS and Local Authorities. The service is called [Kooth](http://www.kooth.com) and is provided by XenZone, an online mental health pioneer.

[Kooth](http://www.kooth.com) is available for young people aged 11-19 living in Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes. Children and young people can chat online to professional counsellors, read articles written by young people, join forums to receive peer-to-peer support, access self-help materials and keep a daily journal. Regular forums cover topics ranging from exam stress and anxiety to eating disorders and grief.

If your child needs a bit of extra support, is worrying about the future or is experiencing difficulties at school or at home, please do encourage them to use this new anonymous and free service. Young People can sign up to the service via their laptop, tablet or smartphone and can access self-help materials, articles and forums linked to emotional wellbeing at [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)

**~ REMINDER ~**  
**Students return  
on Wednesday  
4th September**

**Looking Ahead**

**Wednesday 4th September**  
Year 7, Year 9 and Year 12  
normal school day

Year 8, Year 10, Year 11 and Year 13  
Target Setting appointments

**Thursday 5th September**  
School Photographer

**Thursday 19th September**  
Year 7 Parents' Evening with Form Tutors

**Wednesday 2nd October**  
Prospective Year 7 Open Evening



**Family Trip to  
Southend-on-Sea  
Thursday 15th August**

Houghton Regis Town Council are offering a Family Day Trip to Southend-On-Sea.

The cost of the trip is only  
**\*£5.00pp (Coach only)**

Relax on the sand or take advantage of discounted wristbands to purchase for Adventure Island including Indoor Adventure, available from HRTC offices. Please indicate on the reverse of this flyer how many of each you wish to purchase.

**LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE**

**Don't Delay, Book Today!**

**Information on the wristbands!**

All the rides and attractions are divided into three 'height permitting' groups.



**£12 BLUE BANDS** are for riders above 1.2m only. Blue band riders will have unlimited access to all 37 wristband rides across the park.



**£10 GREEN BANDS** are for riders between 1m and 1.2 metres. Green band riders will have unlimited access to 27 rides across the park. A guest between 1m and 1.2m can not purchase a Blue Band



**£8 RED BANDS** are for riders below 1m. Red band riders will have unlimited access to 15 rides across the park. A guest 1m or below can not have a green or blue band.

**Complete the booking form overleaf**

\*Seating is on a first come basis and we cannot guarantee you will have the same seat on the return journey. \* Please note front seats will be reserved for staff.

Disclaimer - Houghton Regis Town Council reserve the right to change or adjust the trip if required.