

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your recent support during the Gaining Additional Evidence (GAE) Ofsted inspection. It is a most unusual occurrence that we will be challenging with Ofsted through the Academy's legal representatives.

Last week the validated results from last summer's examinations were released by the Department for Education. It was pleasing to see that, after two years of Covid interruptions, the Academy has *more* than held its own with our nearest schools. As you will know Progress 8 is the measure of how much progress students make across their best 8 subjects judged against their KS2 starting points.

	P8	P8 ENGLISH	P8 MATHS	P8 EBACC
All Saints Academy Dunstable	-0.45	-0.38	-0.33	-0.39
Manshead Academy	-0.70	-0.66	-0.87	-0.75
Queensbury Academy	-0.48	-0.32	-0.38	-0.57

From the table you can see that All Saints had the **least negative** (or most positive) Progress 8 score. A P8 of -0.45 means that the students were on average 3 grades short of where they would have been based on their incoming KS2 results. For example, if they were targeted 8 grade 6s from their KS2 SAT results, our results mean on average they attained 5 grade 6s and 3 grade 5s. Hence a drop of three grades. This is most regrettable for the students but highly understandable considering that during Years 9 and 10 they lost two terms of lessons due to lockdowns, many daily lessons were missed due to bubbles being sent home, and not forgetting the impact of staff and student absence. I would like to thank the dedicated staff who worked hard to ensure the effect of this unprecedented period of our lives was minimised.

Our maths and English are as good as, if not better, than Manshead and Queensbury (both Ofsted category GOOD schools), and our progress across the EBacc subjects (English, maths, science, Humanities and MFL) speaks for itself, demonstrating our determination to provide our students with an aspirational curriculum.

If you wish to see more of this data please follow the link below:

[Find and check the performance of schools and colleges in England - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/find-and-check-the-performance-of-schools-and-colleges-in-england)

We have one more snap of cold weather forecasted for this week after which hopefully we will begin to feel winter is behind us and the lighter, warmer days are just around the corner.

Liz Furber

Executive Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

As an employer, the governors of the Academy recognise the right of all professional associations and trade unions to ballot their members regarding industrial action. This week, teachers from the National Education Union (NEU) took strike action for one day, possibly the first of a series of strikes. All Saints Academy remained open to all students.

Disruption was actually kept to a minimum and the impact on the education of your child(ren) was negligible. I am grateful to members of the Senior Leadership Team for covering any absence there was on that day, and to all staff for ensuring that learning continued and students were safe.

That level of commitment should not mask the fact that education is poorly funded. Whilst there have been pay awards for teaching and non-teaching staff during the past year, they were well below the current level of inflation and had to be funded from within the budget that was planned last July.

As an Academy, we will always seek to ensure that our resources are used for the maximum benefit of students in any academic year. However, the budget will only stretch so far so we will continue to monitor it very carefully to

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ensure that effective teaching and learning can always take place.

I appreciate some families might have been inconvenienced by strike action taking place at other schools in the area this week but, as we showed on the recent 'snow day' and throughout the lockdown period, All Saints will always strive to make provision and be there for its students. I am very proud of, and grateful to, our leaders and staff for enabling this to happen.

Best wishes

David Fraser
Chair of Governors

Free School Meals

If you think you meet the free school meals eligibility criteria, please call Central Beds Council on 0300 300 8306. You will need to have the following information ready:

National Insurance numbers and dates of birth for you and your partner; dates of birth for your children; if you receive support from the National Asylum Support Service, your NASS number.

More information can be found at [Free school meals](#) | [Central Bedfordshire Council](#).

Looking Ahead

8th February

Y7-Y9 Flu Vaccinations

10th February

Enrichment Day /
Charity House Day

13th February

Half Term

20th February

Students return after
half term

21st February

Y9 and Y10 Vaccinations

22nd February

Y9 Options Evening

Water Bottles

The Academy has water fountains around the building where students can fill up water bottles.

We sell refillable water bottles for £1 and these are available from Student Reception, but students can bring one from home if they wish.

While we provide plastic cups at break and lunchtime, these do not hold as much water as a bottle and are more difficult to carry around the building.

Please encourage your children to bring a refillable water bottle every day.



Do you know it's illegal to use a privately owned electric scooter in a public place?

You can only use your e-scooter on private land with the landowner's permission.

If you ride in public - on roads or pavements - and are not part of a government trial, your scooter may be seized by police and you may face a fine and/or penalty points on your licence.

Full details of the government's legislation on e-scooters can be found on the gov.uk website.



Students with Nut Allergies

We have had some instances recently of students bringing nuts to school and not disposing of the shells and packets responsibly.

Please can we ask that students do not bring nuts to school as this could be a health and safety risk to students who have a nut allergy.

King Charles' Coronation

As you may be aware, there is an extra Bank Holiday this year to mark the coronation of King Charles.

This will be taking place on Monday 8th May 2023 and the Academy will be closed on this day.

An updated calendar can be found at the end of this newsletter.



Free School Meal Vouchers

If your child is eligible for free school meals, Central Beds Council will be providing vouchers for the half term holiday. The vouchers will be sent via the normal online system.

If you have any issues with your vouchers, please contact CBC direct on 0300 300 8306. Unfortunately, the Academy is not able to help with any queries as we have not been involved in issuing the vouchers, other than to provide up to date email addresses for parents/carers so that the vouchers can be sent.



Children's Flu Vaccination Clinics

***for Children in Reception to Year 9 only**

If your child still needs a flu vaccination we have the following catch up clinics available:

Monday 13 th February	Milton Keynes
Tuesday 14 th February	Sandy
Wednesday 15 th February	Luton
Thursday 16 th February	Bedford

If you would like to book an appointment or require further information please call us on **0300 790 0594**, Monday – Friday 9am to 5pm

Appointments are subject to availability.

Lost Property

All lost property is kept at Student Reception and anything that is named is returned to students.

If your child has lost any of their uniform or property, please remind them to check with staff at Student Reception to see if their item has been handed in as all unclaimed lost property is disposed of each half term

ParentPay

ParentyPay is an online, secure payment system where you can top up your child's cashless catering account so that they can buy items in the canteen. You can also purchase items such as replacement ties and locker keys.

If you do not have a login for ParentPay, please contact the Academy.

All Saints Academy Dunstable Exam Invigilator Vacancy (Casual)



We are looking for enthusiastic, hard-working and reliable colleagues to join our existing team of invigilators. As an Exam Invigilator you will supervise students taking examinations according to regulations determined by the Academy and Examination Boards, this will include supervising the arrival and seating of candidates, handing out exam papers with the support of the person in charge and continually monitoring students during examinations, reporting any irregularities, such as communication between students, as necessary.

This is a casual role and previous experience is not essential as training will be given. As well as public exams, invigilators are called upon to support at other times of the year during periods of mock and end of year exams.

Salary

£9.50 per hour (including holiday accrual) paid for hours worked only and these will be at specific times in the academic year, in line with examination timetables.

How to apply

Please see our website www.allsaintsacademydunstable.org or visit www.mynewterm.com for additional details on this vacancy and how to apply. CVs will not be accepted.

All Saints Academy is an equal opportunities employer. The Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers, prohibition order check and the Disclosure & Barring Service.

Family Bingo Afternoon

**SATURDAY
11th March 2023
2.00PM**

Houghton Regis
Memorial Hall,
The Green,
Houghton Regis,
LU5 5DX

**10 Games plus
a flyer**

**£12 per
person**

*Buffet included
*Places must be reserved
in advance of event

IN AID OF THE HUB CAFE, HEADWAY LUTON
AND CARERS IN BEDFORDSHIRE

For more information or to book please contact
Sarah.Gelsthorpe@houghtonregis.org.uk or call 01582 708 540

All Saints Academy Uniform List 2022

Boys Black Blazer Fully Lined Embroidered School Badge.
28" - 36" £32.00 each
38" - 52" £36.00 each

Girls Black Blazer Fully Lined Embroidered School Badge.
28" - 36" £32.00 each
38" - 52" £36.00 each

White Long Or Short Sleeve Top Button Shirts Or Blouses.
Non Iron Twin Packs
Starting From £14.00 a pack
Black V-Neck Jumper From £20.00

House Tie
Only Available In School.

All Saints Academy Boys Trousers Must Be Black.

All Saints Academy Girls Trousers & Skirts Must Be Black & Have Embroidered Logo.

Boys Standard & Slim Fit Black Trousers.
All Trousers Have Waist Adjusters & Belt
Starting At £20.00 pair

Girls Standard & Slim Fit Logo'd Black Trousers
(Waist Adjustable)
22 - 28" £20.00 pair
30 - 38" £23.00 pair

Girls Straight Black Logo'd Skirt
(Waist Adjustable)
22 - 28" £14.00 each
30 - 42" £15.00 each
Available Lengths 20, 22 & 24"
BUT MUST BE TO THE KNEE

Uniform Available INSTORE OR ONLINE
Home Delivery Available Free Of Charge
On All Orders Over £25.00

Unisex Sports PE Polo Shirt
Embroidered Logo.
26/28 - 34/36" £14.50 each
36/40 - 42/44" £16.50 each

Unisex Reversible PE Games Shirt.
26/28 - 34/36" £19.00 each
36/40 - 46/48" £23.00 each

Black Sports Socks
Starting At £5.00 pair

Unisex PE Shorts
All Sizes £15.00 pair

Prestige Design & Workwear Ltd
Unit 12 Barton Industrial Estate,
Faldo Road, Barton Le Clay,
Bedfordshire. MK45 4RP

OPENING HOURS:
MONDAY - FRIDAY: 9.00am - 5.00pm
SATURDAY: 9.00am - 12.00pm
SUNDAY: CLOSED

CAR PARKING AVAILABLE

T: 01582 883222
E: sales@prestigedesignnw.co.uk
Website & Online Orders:
www.prestigedesignnw.co.uk

Bedfordshire Community Health Services **NHS**

Need to talk?

Are you aged 11 - 19?

Text your school nurse on 07507 331450 (Beds)

Messages are charged at your usual rate
Text messages will be answered between 9am and 4.30pm (Mon to Fri)

ChatHealth

Designed by Andrea aged 10

Confidentiality and safety disclaimer
We do not usually inform your parents, or anyone else if you contact our nurses. We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety, but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other healthcare staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate response back to confirm we've received your text. Texts will not be seen outside of normal working hours. If you need help before you hear back from us, contact a professional or your doctor. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We suggest messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). To find out what we do with your information, please visit NHS CC3 privacy notice. Prevent the school nurse from sending messages to you by texting STOP to our number.
Bedfordshire adult and children's community health services are provided in partnership by East London NHS Foundation Trust (ELFT) and Cambridgeshire Community Services (CCS) NHS Trust

Luton Children & Adults Community Health Services **NHS**

Parentline

A confidential text messaging advice and support line for Luton parents and carers of children aged 0-19.

Text: 07507 331886

Parenting advice and support Sleep Continence
Immunisations Mental health Minor illness
Speech Behaviour Temper tantrums
Infant feeding Diet & exercise
Child development Parenting
and much, much more....

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www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk/luton/childrens/parentline-luton
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ChatHealth **Pop-ins**

Academic Calendar - 2022/2023

School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

Training Day

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