



ALL SAINTS  
ACADEMY PLYMOUTH

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## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

As we approach the end of another term, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on the incredible journey of growth and learning that our students have embarked upon. It has been a privilege to witness their bravery, creativity, and resilience in the face of various challenges. Your continued support and involvement in your child's education have been instrumental in fostering a positive and nurturing environment within our school community.

This term has been particularly enriching with events such as the Careers Fayre, where over 50 representatives of local businesses and educational institutions participated, including our highest number of post-16 representatives ever. It was a fantastic opportunity for our students to explore potential career paths and gather valuable insights into various industries. Additionally, I am delighted to share that All Saints Academy has been recognized as one of only 25 schools internationally to receive the Sparx Reader Award for Progress, a testament to our commitment to building a true legacy of reading throughout the school.

Furthermore, our Year 11 students have been working harder than ever to prepare for their GCSEs. With dedicated staff providing additional intervention, All Saints' pupils are receiving an additional day's worth of time each week to support their studies and ensure they are well-prepared for their examinations. Alongside their academic endeavours, our students have also had the opportunity to engage in enriching experiences such as visits to Bletchley Park, training with the Royal Engineers, and many more, broadening their horizons and inspiring their love for learning.

As we approach the upcoming half-term, I encourage you to take this time to celebrate your child's accomplishments and spend quality time together as a family. Your ongoing support and encouragement play a vital role in nurturing their continued growth and success. This is never more important than making sure our young people attend school every day. We recognise that there is a national trend of decreasing attendance, but even occasional days off can have a significant impact on a child's future successes. I encourage you to make a commitment with your child to achieve over 95% for the following half-term so that we can approach the next academic year with the confidence that we have secured this year's learning.



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**PLYMOUTH ACTIVE**

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Sunday	Family session 5+ years	11:00 am 12:15pm	12:00pm 1:15pm	£8.80
Tuesday	Family session 5+ years	12:15pm 1:30pm	1:15pm 2:30pm	£8.80
Wednesday	Family session 5+ years	12:15pm 1:30pm	1:15pm 2:30pm	£8.80
Thursday	Family session 5+ years	12:15pm 1:30pm	1:15pm 2:30pm	£8.80
Saturday	Family session 5+ years	12:45pm 2:00pm	1:45pm 3:00pm	£8.80
Sunday	Family session 5+ years	11:00 am 12:15pm	12:00pm 1:15pm	£8.80

## Reporting Absence

Parents/Carers are asked to make contact on each and every day of absence. You can do this by:

**Phone: 01752 705131 - press Option 1**

**Email: [absence@asap.org.uk](mailto:absence@asap.org.uk)**

Where contact is not received from you, you will receive a text message, phone call or home visit, to ensure the safeguarding of all students.

## SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

Your child's safety and well-being remain our priority. If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing and wish to contact us, please use [safeguarding@asap.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@asap.org.uk).

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Quentin Gunderson (Assistant Headteacher). Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are Alex Hugh and Karen Maher (Safeguarding Coordinator). Our Year Leads are Sam Smith (Year 7), Billy Hampson (Year 8), Kirsty Liddell (Year 9), Allison Ham (Year 10), and Lindsay Eckersley (Year 11) and they can also be contacted.

Plymouth has an Early Help and SEND Advice Line through which you can book a conversation with a Family Support Worker to talk about any worries or questions you may have.

<https://www.plymouthonlinedirectory.com/plymouthlocaloffer/earlyhelpsendadviceline> or telephone 01752 668000

Plymouth Children's Social care Out of Hours Service 01752 346984





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[https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff\\_winter2024\\_digital160124](https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff_winter2024_digital160124)

As a school we have been working with the Four Greens Community Trust to support the great work they are doing in our area to support families in need. They have a quick survey for families via this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/XcU8XtZrLCs4MVZD/?mibextid=WC7FNe>

## Family Support

### Online support for Families

New online booking added to the virtual offer for families

Online and physical brochure [Start for Life brochure \(plymouth.gov.uk\)](https://plymouth.gov.uk)

Our free virtual offer for families now includes:

- Barnardos online sessions for all ages [Services | Barnardo's Family Space \(barnardos.org.uk\)](https://services.barnardos.org.uk)
- A broad range of advice and support lines/sites for all ages [Online resources for families | PLYMOUTH.GOV.UK](https://plymouth.gov.uk)
- Online Solihull programmes for all ages [inourplace.co.uk](https://inourplace.co.uk) (Password TAMAR)
- Down loadable apps for families [Plymouth's Family Hub - Devon \(orchahhealth.com\)](https://orchahhealth.com)
- Online booking form for face-to-face citywide programmes for parenting, child development and relationships, all ages <https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/sign-face-face-programme>

## Cost of Living

The Council Cost of Living Hub signposts to the help that's on offer - from financial support, to where to go to get help with gas and electricity bills.

The hub also includes information on help with Council Tax, housing costs and support with food costs, as well as how to contact voluntary organisations working across the city. <https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/cost-living>

[Remember](#) if you have families asking for infant formula, or you have concerns for a family experiencing food insecurity, please direct them to their local Children's Centre or Family Hub which can be located via this [link](#), where they can be provided with infant formula and further support.

# YEAR UPDATES

## YEAR 7

It's hard to believe how quickly another half term has flown by and the Year 7 students have continued to amaze me every day. We have had an action packed half term with our annual careers fair, maths trip to Oxford, Be GR8 rewards, student panels participating in staff interviews, Royal Institution STEM event, attendance rewards breakfast and that is just to name a few! I hope everybody has a restful break and manages to enjoy the time off

Mrs Smith

## YEAR 8

Year 8 have been working hard again this term, with many achievements both across the curriculum, and outside the classroom - we have seen amazing sporting success for our girls football team (see following pages!)

Students have taken part in Maths trips, visited the Careers Fair and represented the school as student ambassadors.

Almost 40% of the year group have achieved 96%+ attendance, which means plenty of learning hours in the bag for Year 8 - well done!

## YEAR 9

Year 9 have had a positive term, taking part in various trips and visits, including the Royal Engineers. We have seen the Year 9 boys football team do extremely well (see following pages!) with further successes within school as part of the Argyle Breakfast Club.

We now look forward to an exciting half term ahead with both GCSE Options Evening (6th March) and Parents Evening (20th March) for Year 9

## YEAR 10

It has once again been a busy half term for year 10. We have had a successful parents evening with students taking on board the feedback from their teachers. If you were unable to attend parents evening and would like some feedback as to how your child is doing in school, please email Mrs Ham, Year 10 Lead who will be able to support.

Year 10 have had a number of guests into assemblies this half term around next steps and work experience, including guest visits from current apprentices at Babcock as well as the Careers Fair with a large number of stalls from colleges, sixth forms and apprenticeship opportunities.

I also want to take this moment to congratulate the 35 students who have achieved 100% attendance this half term, almost a third of the year group - well done! Good attendance is crucial in this important year for students, at this halfway point in the year I am so pleased to see so many students taking this onboard. We are here to support students with any barriers they may face to good attendance, please contact me if needed to discuss further.  
Well done! Have a lovely half term year 10.

## YEAR 11

What a fantastic term we have had, and you are all recognising the importance and positive impact P0 and P6 will have on your overall progress.

Lots of you have come to seek support from me for college, sixth form and apprenticeship applications with many students being offered interviews; good luck to you all.

Enjoy half term, rest up when you can and take advantage of all the support that will be available next week for your revision sessions.



In January we were delighted to host 45 exhibiting organisations at our fantastic Careers & Next Steps Fair. The event occupied a huge area in the Academy and firmly planted careers and aspirations as the hot topic of conversation for the week. Each of the year groups were given time at the fair, where they spoke with employers, training providers and sixth forms. It was fantastic to see students becoming so openminded to all the brilliant career pathways ahead, beginning their applications and engaging with the visitors so well, all while representing the Academy with pride. We would like to thank all the exhibitors who show such faith in our brilliant students.





## Visit from Royal Engineers

**As part of our Careers education programme, Years 9, 10, & 11 students had the opportunity to meet with soldiers from the Royal Engineers. The visit enabled students to discover some of the vast array of job roles within the Royal Engineers and see some of the specialist equipment that they use as part of their role.**

**Students were able to ask questions about the entry requirements, basic training, qualifications and sports opportunities available. As part of the visit, students were set an engineering task whereby they were given a scenario which they then had to work in teams in order to identify and build a solution to achieve the engineering task.**

**A visiting soldier said 'it was really great to work with your students today. They showed a real interest in learning about The Royal Engineers and the careers that are offered and thoroughly engaged with finding a solution to the engineering task'. Helen Jarwood, Careers Lead, would like to thank The Royal Engineers for visiting All Saints Academy.**





## Maths Trip to Bletchley Park



**This week we had a fantastic trip to Bletchley park with students from Years 7-10, learning how to break codes and discover the secrets of Bletchley.**

**Students took part in code breaking workshops and guided tours of Bletchley Park, to discover the impact Bletchley had in the efforts to win the war.**

**We learnt how the enigma machine worked to encode messages and deciphered our own morse code messages too.**



## Year 8 Girls Football

The Year 8 girls have shown a great attitude at their Central Venue fixtures this half term.

Striker Amelia has scored a number of goals, goalkeeper Aria has made fantastic reaction saves and the defenders are working hard to block shots.

A big well done to Ellie and Lacey for playing in their first fixtures and Year 7 students Amelia and Caitlin for stepping up to support Year 8.



## Year 7 Girls Football

The Year 7 girls have also participated in Central Venue fixtures this half term.

Lacey Trim and Macie Ashton have scored a number of goals, and goalkeeper Lacey Smith has made some outstanding saves. The girls have shown brilliant enthusiasm and fair play when competing in these fixtures. The team has continued to improve and have positively represented the school, all players should be very proud!





**GOAL!**

## Year 9 Boys Football

**Congratulations to our Year 9 Boys Football Team who had a very successful evening a couple of weeks ago. The team remained unbeaten in their 3 games, winning 2 and drawing 1. The outstanding performer was Captain Harley Auld, who scored all of All Saints' goals. The results were as follows:**

**All Saints 1-0 Coombe Dean  
All Saints 2-1 Eggbuckland  
All Saints 1-1 Lipson**

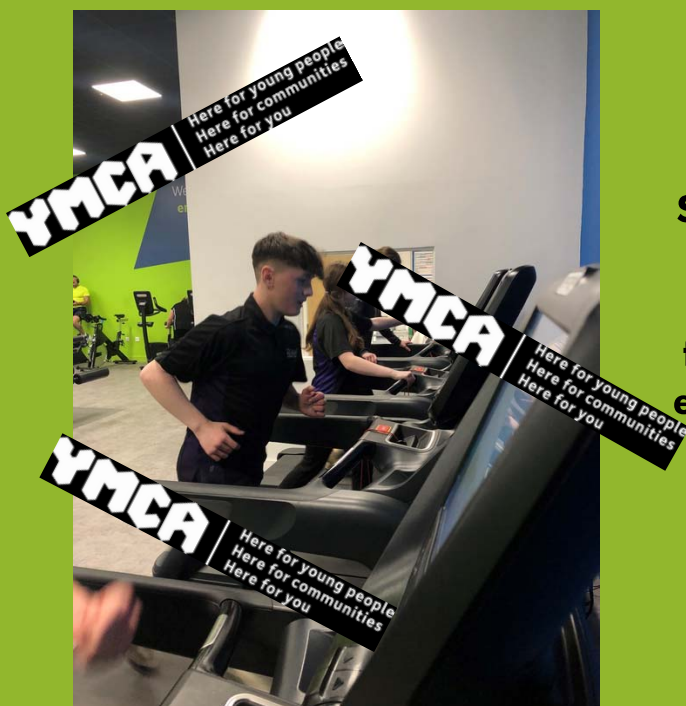


## Year 10 Core PE - Fitness Suite

**This half term some of our Year 10 students have visited the YMCA Fitness Suite.**

**Students are aiming to develop their knowledge and confidence in a fitness suite setting. Lessons have focused on knowing how to use the equipment safely, how to structure a session and how to monitor how hard you are working.**

**The students have been a credit to the school with their positivity and behaviour around members of the public.**



# Awards

## Class Charts



**Huge congratulations to our first students to achieve our 'Silver Award', which is awarded to students who have achieved 5000 Class Charts points.**



**GEORGE BALDING  
BOBBY SALMON  
LEON WHEELER  
ARIA ORME  
DEXTER SQUIRES  
RYAN PRIESKIENYS  
TOMMY MCAREE  
GABRIELLA SINS  
EVIE CROCKER**



**We look forward to seeing more of our students joining this elite list in the near future!**

**All Saints was one of the top-performing schools on Sparx Reader from the beginning of September 2023 to the end of December 2023.**





# Dates to Remember

**Friday 23rd February 2024**

**Year 11 photos**

**Wednesday 6th March 2024**

**Year 9 Options Evening 5.30-6.30pm**

**Wednesday 20th March 2024**

**Early closure - 2.10pm**

**Year 9 Parents Evening 3.00pm-6.30pm**

**Wednesday 27th March 2024**

**Last day of Spring Term for pupils**

**Thursday 28th March - 12th April 2024**

**(Non-pupil day 28th March 2024)**

**Easter Holiday**

**Monday 15th April 2024**

**First day of Summer Term**

**HPV Immunisations Year 8**

**Wednesday 1st May 2024**

**Early closure 2.10pm**

**Year 8 Parents Evening 3.00pm-6.30pm**