



Final Newsletter 2026

Dear Families,

Another sensational year done and dusted – an outstanding OFSTED at the Infants - and all our children have absolutely smashed it in terms of their progress – I do hope you enjoyed reading your child's report as much as I did!!

As always - we say goodbye to our Year 6s today – they really are the most fantastic group of children - and it has been a real privilege to watch them grow and learn from 4 – 11. You've made it Year 6 – you really are the most exceptional global citizens who are **SO** ready for Secondary School. Thank you for organising the best summer fayre ever and all whilst rehearsing for your **INCREDIBLE** show!! Now go use those wings and the voices we have given you wisely – but remember to check in every now and again to let us know how you are getting on!!! GO WELL!!!!

Destination Schools...

Teddy	Little Heath
Aarna	Denmark Road High School
Beatrix	River Academy
Grace	Crosfields
Edlyn	Highdown
Alex	Crosfields
Tanveer	Reading Boys
Amelia	Blessed Hugh Farringdon
Mohammad	Wren
Agastya	Blessed Hugh Farringdon
Vanshika	Reading Girls
Alistair	Blessed Hugh Farringdon
Assiya	River Academy
Bruno	Deanfield
Raphael	Little Heath
Kaleema	Reading Girls
Enisa	River Academy
Erisa	River Academy
Divyanshi	Blessed Hugh Farringdon
Vikrant	Leighton Park
Marvin	St Crispins
Emelia	Reading Girls
Liam	Wellington College Prep
Jasmine	The Holt
Jonathan	Reading Boys

Our final shout outs for 2025 – 2026 are...

- The incredible staff team here at ASS who go above and beyond every single day to ensure our children are safe and happy and make exceptional progress – have the happiest of summer breaks because boy do you deserve it!
- Venba for being a wonderful caring friend and inviting others to join her games. She has also developed wonderful oracy skills and will invite others to speak (across the curriculum!)
- Sochima for his mature attitude to learning and hugely improved focus in class
- All of Year 2 for being fantastic and so entertaining for Miss Costello this year, for trying hard and showing a love of knowledge
- Vikrant for being the best sound tech that the Year 6 production could hope for. The show would have truly fallen apart without him!
- Abhiram for achieving a brilliant score in his latest assessments. His determination and drive to always achieve his best is truly inspiring!
- Daria, her constant push for excellent learning has shone through all year, and with her increasing level of pride in what she creates and attempts, her learning has been phenomenal!
- Sanvin for scoring 110/110 in the Mathematics MOCK SATs papers A YEAR EARLY!! I suggest you take the year off Sanvin – Mrs D!!
- Poppy for being the most diligent and hard working throughout the year, quietly dedicating herself time and time again to being the best learner she can be! She always motivates others to challenge themselves, in and out the class, and can always be found doing what she knows is right!
- Antonia for showing exceptional attitudes to learning at all times – whilst always with a smile and kindness – she simply just quietly gets on with everyone and everything with a smile!
- Emma for always living through our values of LOVE, RESPECT and FORGIVENESS!!

We do also have to say goodbye to Mrs Hancock this year. Mrs Hancock landed in our school the day we went into lockdown in 2021 and she really has been our very own Mary Poppins ever since!! We are so so sad to see you go Mrs Hancock but please know that you go with all our love and luck for your new journey – what a lucky school they are to be getting you!! Go well Mrs Hancock!!!

Last Wednesday I spent one of my favourite afternoons interviewing with our current Heads of School for our new Children's Leadership Team, and was, as always, blown away by how confident, kind and knowledgeable our children are! Huge thanks to Jonathan and Grace for their insightful observations and careful considerations - I simply was surplus to requirements – what exceptional heads of school you have been!!

Heads of School: Eliza & Milla

Katesgrove House Captain: Nell

Peppard House Captain: Poppy

Caversham House Captain: Aof

Head Eco Warrior: VACANCY

Head of Sport: Seb

Head of Citizenship & Friendship: Persephone

Head of IT: Sanvin

Timi Champions: Daria & Haniya

Battle library visited us this term to tell us all about the summer reading challenge – the theme for this year is READ TO THE BEAT!! We would love ALL our children to take part in this year and bring in their medals and certificates on the first day back so we can celebrate them! For more information, please follow this link: [Summer Reading Challenge](#) and happy reading!!

And our House Point Champions for 2026 are...

CAVERSHAM 3845
KATESGROVE 3419
PEPPARD 3082

And our Sports Day Champions for 2026 are...

KATESGROVE 4070 + 50 = 4120
PEPPARD 3869 + 150 = 4019
CAVERSHAM 3719 + 100 = 3819

And our Attendance Champions for 2026 are...

KATESGROVE 97.89%
PEPPARD 97%
CAVERSHAM 95.97%

****ATTENDANCE****

The current National Figure for 2025/26 is 93.14%
Our target for 2025/26 was 97%

Infant Attendance 97.4%
Junior Attendance 96.94%

Values Award

Sponsored by our amazing PTA...

Each term the staff nominate a child who they believe has fully embraced and embodied our values of **LOVE, RESPECT & FORGIVENESS** – I then have the nearly impossible task of deciding who should receive this award

This term the award goes to...

REEVA & BEATRIX

Congratulations **REEVA & BEATRIX** and thank you for living through our values of

LOVE, RESPECT & FORGIVENESS

And so – that is it from me for 2025/6! I do hope you all have the most amazing summer break together and look forward to seeing (SOME...) of you on **WEDNESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER** at of **8.40!!**

Best wishes,

Susannah

****Learning Round Up****

Ducklings

All the staff in Ducklings are extremely proud of the progress made by all of the children. It's always a privilege to see each new Reception class start off as near toddlers and watch them emerge at this stage as independent, focussed and very capable little people who are ready for some new challenges in year one. The glorious weather this term has enabled us to fully embrace outdoor learning, with notable highlights being setting our butterflies free and our teddy bears picnic. Our Year Ones have also loved our varied and colourful topic of Amazing Africa. They were also fantastic in their sponsored 'singathon' raising money for charity as one of their pledges. What an amazing year we've had! Wishing you a wonderful summer with lots of fun, rest and happy times.



Cygnets

Oh my goodness me, that's a wrap! We have had a great final term in Cygnets. Jampacked isn't even the word! We got to: go to Didcot Railway Centre, learn all about Africa, make some beautiful artwork, take part in sorting hat assemblies, learn a song from another culture, raise money for charity, learn about our 7 continents on International Day and... we did this all whilst working so hard in the boiling sunshine.

I want to say a huge goodbye to our Year 2s who will be embarking on their newest adventure to Juniors School. You have made this year especially fantastic, and we will miss you all so much. I will really miss my daily general knowledge facts from you all! Don't be sad because it's over, smile because it happened... We will wave at you from across the road.

To all of you, have the most restful, sunny, happy break and we will see some of you back here in September ready to go again.



Year 3

I cannot believe we have reached the end of our incredible and unforgettable journey in Year 3. What a truly memorable year it has been, filled with hard work, progress, and many special experiences for both the children and me! It has been wonderful to watch the children grow since September. They have become more confident, capable and independent learners, embracing new challenges with enthusiasm and resilience. I am incredibly proud of all they have achieved, both academically and personally, and it has been a joy to see each child flourish throughout the year.

During our final, yet still remarkably busy, Summer 2 term, the pupils have produced outstanding written work in English, explored the wonders of weather in Geography, and created striking Ancient Egyptian-inspired artwork. In Science, they enthusiastically investigated forces and magnets, before exploring the importance of biodiversity and how living things depend on healthy habitats. They also embraced the special role of becoming buddies to our Year 2 pupils, showing kindness, leadership, and care. It has been another rewarding term, filled with exciting learning, creative classroom projects and joyful school events.

Thank you all for your incredible support, encouragement and partnership throughout the year. Wishing you and your family a fantastic summer holiday filled with sunshine, laughter and special moments together. May this well-deserved break bring plenty of rest, relaxation and happiness.



Year 4

What a year! The children have truly embraced all of their learning opportunities over the past year - from Romans to Vikings in history to Rivers, Migration and Natural Resources in geography. In maths, they've improved their fluency, solved problems with great enthusiasm and mastered their times tables. They've enjoyed reading high-quality texts and produced wonderful independent writing.

One of the highlights of the year has been the students' commitment to our school's values. They've taken part in so many extra-curricular activities and learnt some life skills such as First Aid. As part of their pledge, they've completed random acts of kindness and learned to tie ties, as well as experiencing performing at the Hexagon and going on their first school residential.

The children have achieved so much and I'm so proud of their hard work and the enthusiasm they show, day after day! I am confident that they will continue to make wonderful progress and contributions to our school in Year 5.

Well done Year 4 and have a wonderful summer break!



Year 5

Wow! What a fantastic last term we have had Year 5.

Our trip to the planetarium was out of this world! Learning about our galaxy and testing the best martial arts to gather data on other planets was extraordinary. So much of our learning has been brilliant, and you have continued to put in your best efforts even during some very, very hot days. Some inspiring stories, and expert mathematics have filled our mornings, and I truly hope you leave proud of all you have completed and learnt during both this term and your year.

Well done as well for your first set of SATs mocks, you have filled us with confidence that your learning is ready for such a big year. I have also seen some amazing acts of resilience when trying challenges, in and out of lessons, that show you are ready to be the fantastic Year 6 learners we all know you can be!

I wish you all the best, and I hope you have a truly fantastic, relaxing summer holiday! What superstars you are!



Year 6

Wow, wow, wow! What a term Year 6 have had, we have been working so hard to finish everything off and making sure we are ready for the transition to secondary! In English we did some finishing off of our David Attenborough fact files which were brilliant! We then looked at book all about the Mayans which was very interesting! We finished off our Effective maths then had a brilliant time completing some maths projects! We fell into the world of fairy tales in Reading with our Grimm book which was actually a pretty wild read! Fairytale can be very gory! We've been super invested in our world cup sweepstakes! Who will win?! Most importantly though we have been working on our production. We practiced and polished and each and every child worked so hard and contributed brilliantly! I have been blown away by the dedication and commitment they have shown. We hope you enjoyed the show! We have also been working hard to complete lots of pledges! Particularly ones designed to make us feel ready for the next step and start showing some fab independence. All the while we've had secondary visits galore! These children are so, so ready for secondary school! Overall, we've been so busy and had so much fun! Our last term together has been fantastic. Have a lovely summer and have the best time at secondary school, you are all STARS and I will miss you so much!!!! Thank you for being your brilliant selves!



****UPDATE FROM OUR INFANT GB****

It is hard to believe that another school year has passed and what a year it has been. And as this school year draws to a close, so does my chapter as a School Governor. After five years, I am stepping down from my role. I leave with a great sense of pride and a deep appreciation for how our Teachers and Children show up every day.

We also say a sad goodbye to Mrs Hancock. You will be missed by everyone at All Saints. Thank you for the difference you have made, wishing you the best of luck with your next venture.

It has been a joy to spend time in the school this year, witnessing firsthand the incredible progress the children have made. They are all undoubtedly ready for their next classes after the summer break. We hope you will join us in celebrating their achievements.

We finish the year by welcoming several new members to the Governing Body: Konstantinos Kotsis, Shital Basu, Hayrettin Eren, and Josh Roberts

I cannot close our final note of the year without shouting about our recent Ofsted inspection and I steal with pride 3 quotes from the Inspectors that I believe truly embody the spirit of our school:

- "Pupils are proud of their school."
- "Pupils thrive as part of this caring and inclusive school community."
- "Staff know pupils well and build trusting relationships, so pupils feel listened to and supported. They concentrate well in lessons and show pride in their work."

On behalf of the Governors, I would like to say a huge thank you to the staff for their hard work and commitment this year and wish you all a happy, healthy summer...

Sarah Charlton

****UPDATE FROM OUR ACC****

In case you haven't heard of me, my name is Liz Kenny and I am Chair of the Anthem Community Council; All Saints Junior School's local governing body. The Council provides an opportunity for families and school leaders to work together, share ideas, celebrate successes, and support the continued development of our school.

This academic year I have had the pleasure of working with the Year 6 Eco Warrior Team: Amelia, Kaleema, Beatrix and Alistair.

These amazing young people show great thoughtfulness for their environment and have worked incredibly hard in their roles this year. Notably they have organised for the school playground's bug hotel to be given a revitalisation.

And just to add – our inaugural bug hotel makers did come back to inspect the work and did APPROVE!!!!!!

May I take this moment to congratulate them all for their contributions to the Eco Warriors. The world is in safe hands with such brilliantly caring young minds at the helm!

...and to all the Year 6 leavers this year the ACC are wishing you all the best in September!

Interested in joining the Anthem Community Council:

Please contact the school office or Liz Kenny: LKenny@allsaints.anthemtrust.uk

Hope you all have a wonderful summer holiday!

