



The Village Saints Partnership

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Newsletter 353, 23rd January 2026

Dear Parents and Friends,

This week I have been meeting with teachers across the partnership to talk about the progress each of the



children in their class is making. We talk about everybody and discuss anything more that we might be able to do to enhance the children's learning and/ or well-being. As parents you are our most important partners in this. If you would like to discuss your child's progress, ask questions or make suggestions please contact your class teacher in the first instance. Please don't wait until parent consultation evenings. Thank you for working with us.

Partnership News

Weekly Worship Focus

Our worship this week has been focussed on last week's RE enrichment about religions around the world. All of our classes have been given an opportunity to share their learning.

We invite parents of children who receive certificates to join us for worship on a Friday in school. However, you can still join us virtually if it is easier for you. Monday – Thursday we have whole school worship at 2.45pm. On a Friday it is 1.05pm at All Saints and 2.30pm at St Martin. You are welcome to join us at any of these sessions.

Vacancies

We have a vacancy at St Martin for a mid-day assistant, four days a week. We also have a vacancy for a cleaner. If you, or anyone you know, is interested the adverts can be found here:

<https://villagesaintspartnership.demat.org.uk/staff-vacancies>

Keep an eye on our website as we anticipate further vacancies coming soon.

Visits and chats welcome.

Readers

Do you have an hour you could spend listening to children read each week?

Reading is a life skill and a wonderful gift to give to a child in either of our schools.

Please let the office know if you can help our children to love reading.

Training will be given.

Please let your class teacher or the office know if you are available and interested in this opportunity.

Lunchtime Clubs

Could you lead a lunchtime club one day a week? Maybe play some board games or watch a film with a small group of children. Do you have other ideas or talents? Please let the school office co-ordinator, or your child's teacher, know.

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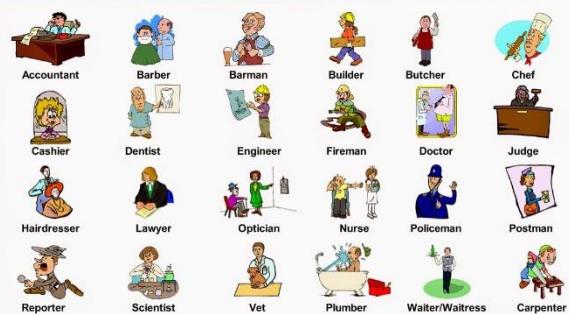
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Parent chat

The next parent chat sessions are coming up – Thursday 29th January. You are welcome to join us at 9am at St Martin or 2.30pm at All Saints to chat about life in school, both what we've done and what's coming up. Questions and suggestions welcome but for matters concerning individual children please contact your child's teacher or Mrs Howe separately.

JOBS



Vocational Afternoons

Science week will be w/c 9.3.26. We will be holding our vocational afternoons on Wednesday 11th March at All Saints, and Thursday 12th March at St Martin's.

Whatever your job is we'd really appreciate you sharing it with the children. Our aim is to demonstrate that there are lots of careers that can be aspired to and it's worth doing your best now so that the choice is as wide as possible when they are older.

It's a totally non-threatening situation that staff and pupils have always enjoyed. Please let your child's teacher or our office co-ordinator know if you can help. Thank you!

All Saints				St Martin			
	Reader	Writer	Value		Reader	Writer	Value
Saturn	Taika	Reuben	Mya	Explorers	Oliver	Levison	Wilma
Jupiter	Amaris	Bear	Jacob	Adventurers	Oscar	Bonnie	Indy
Neptune	Eleanor	Daisy	Jonathan	Investigators	Winnie	Harper	Cillian
Mars	Jacob	Roman	Patrick	Seekers	Arlo	Freya	Blossom
				Voyagers	Henry	Tilly	Elsie
				Researchers	Jacob	Harriet	Ashley

Times Tables Awards



Jupiter	Poppy	Investigators	Hector
Neptune	Lola-Rose	Seekers	Gabriella
Mars	Mia	Voyagers	Ethan
		Researchers	Florence

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Attendance

All Saints- the challenge is for more Year 6 pupils and more pupils who have free school meals or special educational needs to be in school more.

St Martin- the challenge is for more Year 1 and Year 6 pupils and more pupils with special educational needs to be in school more often.

Being in school as much as your child can will improve attainment, achievement and well-being.

Attendance: Our expectation is at least 96%			
All Saints		St Martin	
Saturn	97.5%	Explorers	91.46%
Jupiter	95.99%	Adventurers	86.67%
Neptune	95.35%	Investigators	98.87%
Mars	94%	Seekers	94.24%
		Voyagers	93.12%
		Researchers	97%
Total for the school	94.54%	Total for the school	93.93%
Very sad!			

All Saints		St Martin	
Deer	628	Sandringham	425
Badger	567	Blickling	432
Owl	700	Houghton	439
		Oxburgh	544

DigiFest 2026 - Free activities at your library

Help us to spread the word that DigiFest returns to Norfolk libraries this February, bringing a month-long celebration of free, exciting digital creativity for children and young people up to age 16.

Click the link above for more details.



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CALENDAR			
Our special value this half term is: Forgiveness			
	All Saints	Partnership	St Martin
29 th January	2.30pm	Parent Chat Group	9am
5 th February	Library Lorry		Voyagers Visitor
6 th February		Number Day Researchers and Mars on Visit	
10 th February		Safer Internet Day	
16 th – 20 th February		Half Term Holiday	
17 th February		Chinese New Year Start of Ramadan	
18 th February		Ash Wednesday Start of Lent	
27 th February		Seekers & Voyagers Visit	
1 st March		St David's Day	
4 th March		Holi	
5 th March	Library Lorry	World Book Day	
9 th March		Science week Starts Vocational Days TBC	
15 th March		Mothering Sunday	
17 th March		Parent Consultations	Library Lorry
18 th March		Parent Consultations	
20 th March		Red Nose Day	
23 rd March		FGB LKS2 production TBC	
26 th March			Investigators Visit
27 th March		Church	
Last Day of half term: Friday 13 th February			
First Day of next half term: Monday 23 rd February			
Last Day of term: Friday 27 th March			
Non-contact days this year: 1 st & 2 nd September, 24 th October, 5 th January, 13 th April			



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St Martin at Shouldham



Little Troopers

All Together ONLINE – Live Lego Workshop

Saturday 24th January 2026, 11:00hrs

Think you know LEGO? Think again! This session will put your building skills to the test... under pressure! (but just a little bit!) You'll tackle the *Tallest Tower Challenge* and maybe even try your hand at a round of "BRICKtionary."

Join us for a fun, small group experience where you'll discover just how creative you and your fellow master builders can be. Gather as much of your own LEGO as you can and get ready to build! See you there, LEGO brick fans!

☞ [Book your family space here](#)

All Together sessions run every other weekend until April 2026.

Sessions are free, but places are limited. Please only book if you are confident you can attend so that as many families as possible can take part.



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All Saints News

Saturn use their Bird Feeders



Lunchtime Gardening

We'd really like to make use of the reflection garden again. It needs some tidying up. Could you commit to one lunchtime a week to help some children do this?

Please let Mrs Raven De Burca know if you can help.
Thank you!

Have a lovely weekend.

I look forward to seeing you all bright and early on Monday morning.

Don't forget that **lessons start at 8.45am.**

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No charge, other than for parking.

https://www.holkham.co.uk/whats-on/february-half-term/?utm_source=Holkham&utm_campaign=1ededef80d6-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_WHATS_ON_IN_JANUARY_2026&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_8f49541780-1ededef80d6-345368005

**This half term at Holkham they are celebrating
THE FESTIVAL OF LITTLE STORIES**

Join them for some fun book related activities including storytelling, local author meet and greets, illustration workshops and a whodunnit story trail around the Park. The Norfolk Children's Book Centre pop-up shop will be with us for the festival duration too.



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Date	Time	Venue
06 January	09:00 - 11:00	Swan Parents' Group
13 January	15:00 - 16:30	Downham Market library
20 January	15:00 - 16:30	Downham Market library
03 February	09:00 - 11:00	Swan Parents' Group
17 February	15:00 - 16:30	Downham Market library



Family Hub Drop In

Advice and support for parents and carers of children and young people from conception to 19 (25 for young adults with SEND).

Your local family hubs team are ready to help, and this month your Community Worker, Sarah will be at the following venues ready to listen and support you to find the right help.

Family hubs can help with advice and support with:

- health and wellbeing
- mental health
- parenting
- relationships
- finding activities and groups
- infant feeding
- money and work
- housing
- SEND
- support for dads
- substance misuse
- transition to adulthood

and so much more...



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New, Free PEEP Move group for parents, carers and their toddlers

Join the family hub and Alive Active Community for fun move and play sessions

When:
6 sessions in January and February starting from Tuesday January 13th 10:00am-11:00am

Where:
St. George's Hall, St George's Hall Complex, 16/18 High Street, Methwold, IP26 4NT

Cost:
Free

Email cspartnercommunitywest@norfolk.gov.uk to book and receive more details.

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Swan Youth Project

Swan Youth Project is based at the heart of the community in Downham Market. We support young people from age 8 plus their families with a wide range of high quality services.

We work with a Trauma Informed approach, getting to know our young people really well.

One size does not fit all

Our current services are:

- Open Access Youth Groups
- 1:1 support for mild/emerging mental health
- Family Support
- Parents Drop-in
- Young Carers Support
- Hygiene Bank
- More than a Bike
- Alternative Provision
- Assemblies and workshops
- Vocational Trips/sessions
- Residential Trips

“I like seeing my friends and having a place I can go to feel supported and appreciated and I feel welcomed”

www.swanyouthproject.org
01366 386259

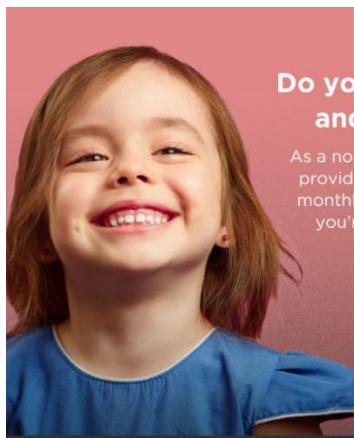
[theswanproject1](#)
 [dmswanyouthproject](#)

Do you have space in your home and heart to foster a child?

As a not-for-profit, we reinvest in our foster carers, providing full training, a dedicated social worker, monthly funding, and all the support you need so you're never alone on this incredible journey.

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We are pleased to announce the relaunch of Ask Norfolk Parents.

The Ask Norfolk Parents online community is a safe and supportive place for families of children and young people in Norfolk to share experiences, find information and gain peer-to-peer support from each other and it's FREE to join.

The group is hosted on HealthUnlocked, a social networking service for health.

HealthUnlocked is a safe and secure environment where people can join communities and conversations about health. They can share experiences and get questions answered by peers and professionals, all led by trusted organisations.

Join Today!
healthunlocked.com/one-norfolk-parents



Shouldham FC U10 Girls New Team Forming!

WINNERS
UEFA WOMEN'S EURO 2025

Calling all girls aged 9-10 who love football or want to give it a go!

We're excited to launch a brand new U10 all-Girls team at Shouldham FC and we're looking for enthusiastic new players to join us!

Meet the Manager Lee Morse
We're thrilled to welcome Lee Morse to the club as manager of our new U10 Girls team. Lee brings great energy, experience, and a passion for helping young players grow in confidence and skill.

Interested? Get in Touch!
Whether you're brand new to football or already love the game, we'd love to hear from you.
Contact: Lee 07771 333227



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