

# Family Update

21st October 2022



## Updates

Hello everyone, there has been lots of fun activities this week in school. Students have been organising all your generous Harvest Festival donations, sorting and bagging them up into suitable family packages for the Lichfield Foodbank to distribute. We are grateful for all your contributions as this year we managed to provide a Saxon Hill record of 346 meals, amazing! Yesterday the children took part in 'spooktacularly' fun activities on our Monster Mash day. Thank you for supporting your child to get a great outfit together for the day, they really enjoyed it. See photos below of children enjoying the Troll Hunting; Pumpkin Collecting; Spooky Story-telling and Monster Mash Disco.

Thank you for your patience as we have had to reduce the Sleepover provision this week due to several residential staff having Covid-19. We are so sorry for this disruption and hope we can return to normal service after the break.

Thank you so much for your support and ideas to help our Residential SOS campaign, if you haven't already put your ideas forward [please do so here](#): Lots of you support the idea of sharing photos/videos of children and young people with complex needs to highlight the challenges that our children and families face every day, things that others may take for granted. If you are happy to share these sorts of photos/videos to the wider audience, with or without names attached, please start getting these together and I shall create a special inbox for them ready to be shared by myself and yourselves, on all social media platforms, local and national media and to local MPs and councillors. We hope that you have a fabulous half term week and that the children return fit and well ready for another great half term. All the very best, from Your Leadership Team.

## Parents Recommend

A parent has recommend the National Forest Adventure Farm in Burton. They have lots of fun Halloween themed activities on as well as a wheelchair accessible pumpkin patch.

Please see their website for more information:

[Halloween Spook-tacular - National Forest Adventure Farm](#)

Please send any further recommendations to [emily.thompson@saxon.set.org](mailto:emily.thompson@saxon.set.org).

## Key Dates

**Monday 24th - Friday 28th October** - Half-Term

**Monday 31st Oct** - Pupils return to school

**Wednesday 16th November 1:30-2:30** - Communication Workshop for parents (PODD/ Makaton focus)

**Monday 14th - Friday 18th November** - Anti-bullying Week

**Friday 2nd December 9:30 - 11:00** - Explorers Department Christmas Craft Workshop for parents

[More upcoming events on page 5.](#)



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# Monster Mash

A BIG thank you to Friends of Saxon Hill and Isobel for helping to coordinate such a fantastic event for the pupils. As you can see, they had a great time!

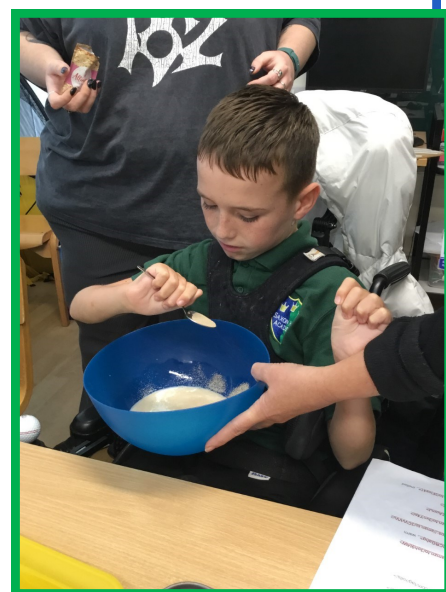




## Sleepover Club Highlights



Some of the pupils in Sleepover Club, made bread rolls this week. They measured the ingredients and used their fine motor skills to mix and knead the dough. They observed how the dough rose before the bread was cooked and how the texture changed after cooking. They liked the smell of the bread coming from the oven, but even better was the taste when they ate the rolls for supper!





What we have been up to this week ...



## Harvest Assembly

A BIG thank you to everyone who donated to this year's Harvest Assembly. The Explorers Department did a great job at coordinating this and leading this year's assembly.

The donations came in at weighing an amazing 145.45kg. This is the equivalent, by weight, of 346 meals, which is a record harvest donation from Saxon Hill!



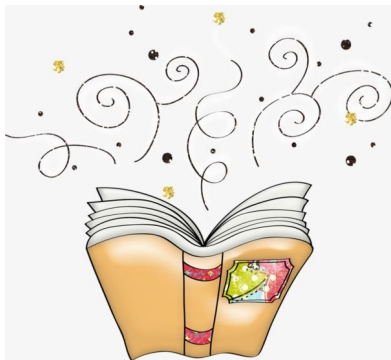
# Upcoming events

For the Explorers/ Investigators Departments - more information to follow.

## Friday 2nd December 2022 (Explorers)

Christmas craft—9:30am— 11.00am

Open morning for parents/carers to make Christmas crafts with your child.



## Thursday 9th February 2023

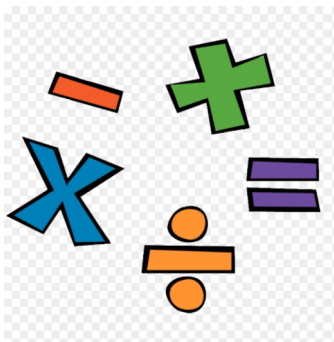
Family story time—9:30am—11:00am

Parents/grandparents/carers story time with classes in Explorers Department.

## Tuesday 28th March 2023

Easter egg-stravaganza—1:45pm—3:00pm

Explorers Easter Egg-Stravaganza, family afternoon.



## Thursday 25th May 2023

Maths workshop—9:30am—11:00am

Maths workshops for parents to enjoy with their children.

## Monday 3rd July 2023

End of year celebration—1:45pm—3:00pm

Summer beach end of year celebration with families.



# We look forward to seeing you!



## COVID-19 VACCINATIONS FOR CHILDREN

### WALK-IN CENTRES



Where	When	Time	Age
Tunstall Vaccination Centre, ST6 4JU	Saturday 22nd October 2022	0900 – 1600 hrs	5 to 17 year olds
Tunstall Vaccination Centre, ST6 4JU	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	0900 – 1600 hrs	5 to 17 year olds
Holy Trinity Church, Meir, ST3 5PY	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	1000 – 1445 hrs	5 to 17 year olds
Tamworth Rugby Club, B79 8ED	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	1000 – 1445 hrs	5 to 17 year olds
Cheadle Hospital, ST10 1NS	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	1000 – 1445 hrs	5 to 17 year olds
Tunstall Vaccination Centre, ST6 4JU	Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	0900 – 1600 hrs	5 to 17 year olds

The CYP Covid Vaccination Team are carrying out walk in clinics to include 1<sup>st</sup> dose, 2<sup>nd</sup> dose and autumn boosters to those children between the ages of 5 and 11 if eligible. If you child is aged between 12 and 17 we are able to administer 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> doses and autumn boosters to those children that are eligible for a booster.

Your child is eligible if:

- They are aged between 5 years and 17 years (had to be 5 years old on or before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022)
- Have not received a Covid vaccination before
- If had a 1<sup>st</sup> dose needs to be 12 weeks before 2<sup>nd</sup> dose (8 weeks if Clinically vulnerable)
- They live with someone who is immunosuppressed
- Had 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccine 12 weeks prior and now require an Autumn booster – only clinically vulnerable or living with someone immunosuppressed or someone age 16 or 17 years who are carers.
- Have not had Covid 19 infection within last 12 weeks (28 days if clinically vulnerable)

**Consent needs to be given by a parent or guardian with parental responsibility or delegated authority**

If you require any help or support please email:  
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