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# Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter

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[See the latest news on our website here](#)



## A few words from Mrs Sage...



We are looking forward to welcoming everyone into school tomorrow for our Christmas fair, from 3.15 – 5pm. The festivities begin with some carols from our KS2 choir before the fun activities, shopping and refreshment stalls open for business. The school is looking lovely and festive since we put up the tree and decorations. Thank you to everyone who has supported the PTA and the school in putting the fair on, from the mufti donations to the preparation night on Monday. We are so grateful for your help.

**FS/KS1 Nativity:** we are looking forward to seeing some of the children perform in their first Nativity next Tuesday and Wednesday. The end date for collecting your tickets from the “class box office” is tomorrow, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**KS2 performance:** please also collect your allocated tickets by tomorrow from the class.

**Christmas post boxes:** these are now looking lovely in the library. Children can send their cards to their friends until the last Wednesday of term, 14<sup>th</sup> December. Cards must be clearly marked with the recipient's name and class.

**Christmas lunch at school Fri 9<sup>th</sup> December:** you can book a single Christmas lunch at the normal price of £2.73 through the usual payments platform [MCAS \(My Child at School\)](#), even if your child does not usually have a school dinner. See [our Christmas page](#) for details, including free school meals. See the [Christmas lunch menu here](#). Please note, next week we will have [the week 1 Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec menu on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec](#).

**Christmas news on the school website:** our Christmas page is live on the school website now [saltfordschool.org.uk/christmas-2022](http://saltfordschool.org.uk/christmas-2022). It contains all the dates, information and links you need to know to get the most out of your school Christmas. Click on the Christmas button on our home page to find this page. See also a few reminders below.

**Year 5 staff news:** Mr Bowkett will be leaving at the end of this term to take up a new challenge in January. This is a super opportunity for him as it will allow him to fulfil his ambition to travel as part of his new role. Mr Bowkett thanks everyone for being so welcoming and kind and knows he will miss Saltford School. We wish him well in his new career and will be delighted to see him come back and tell us what he's been up to. We are pleased to confirm that we have appointed a permanent replacement teacher. She is Mrs Mel Gordon who will be coming in to do a handover and get to know our Y5.

**Thank you:** my thanks to Mr Bayliss who recently presented all our Year 3 children with their own personal Bible on behalf of Churches Together.

**Children in Need:** thanks to everyone who dressed up and donated. We raised £281.30.

**Y3 cake sale:** the cake sale raised £243 which will be split by the Y3 classes to spend on their choice of toys and games. Thanks to everyone who supported this. Next up are Y2 on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January. Full [details on the website here](#).

**Online shopping:** if you are shopping online, please consider accessing your usual stores through [the school page on The Giving Machine](#). This can generate much-needed funds for the PTA at no extra cost to you.

**Community Christmas:** the popular [Saltford Christmas market](#) will be on at Saltford Hall on Saturday from 10am. We hear that Father Christmas and his elves might be putting in an appearance. Also, good luck to everyone who is taking part in the Santa Dash this weekend, whether running or supporting. We would love to hear how you get on.

Best wishes, Mrs Sage.

## Christmas fair round-up. It's the big day tomorrow!

Sweetie jars: judging will take place on Friday morning so if you are inspired by the pictures, there's still time to get your entry into school by first thing tomorrow. [See the instructions here.](#)



We are asking for your cakes for the Christmas fair café. Please deliver cakes to the school library on Friday morning. Home-made are lovely but shop bought are also very welcome. Please avoid using nuts.

Fancy £100 cash? Come to the fair on the day for your chance to win the cash windfall of £100 donated by Davies & Way.

[Amazing prizes](#) to be won in the raffle. Tickets will be on sale at the fair at the raffle stall in the hall until 4.30pm. The draw will take place at 5pm in the hall.



### Top secret news, for grown-up ears only!

Santa and the elves will be paying all classes a flying visit on Friday 9th December! They will surprise every child in the school with a lovely present. To support the PTA in hosting this event, please get a ticket at [the PTA events page here](#). More details on [the Christmas page here](#).

*Remember this is going to be a lovely surprise for the children, so please keep the secret.*



## WOW team

The WOW Team is a group of Year 6 children who volunteered to lead collective worship once a term. This term, MJ, Jess, Ted and Felix led a fantastic assembly on respect. They planned, wrote prayer, acted, put together a presentation and led the whole Assembly themselves.

Monday's Assembly set the theme for the week in school and they did a wonderful job of doing the WOW! They were amazing! A special thank you also to Emma King for all her help and guidance to the team before and during the assembly and to Mr Jenkins for supporting the team.

# HEADTEACHER AWARDS

## KS1

**Bumblebee:** Darcie H for settling into Bumblebee class so quickly and always having the biggest smile!

**Butterfly:** Annabelle E for a super sorry letter from Goldilocks to the three bears.

**Apple:** Bethan W for a brilliant fire safety poster for people in the Great Fire of London.

**Pear:** Alberto DA for demonstrating amazing sketching skills.

**Palm:** Gethin S for super sentences including adverbs about Little Red's journey.

**Cherry:** Ronnie A for working so hard on his maths.

## KS2

**Lime:** Alana K-B for her fangtastic (!) work on the different functions of teeth.

**Sycamore:** Macy Q for brilliant presentation and colour mixing in her art work.

**Maple:** Orla S for excellent work about Stone Age artefacts

**Willow:** Seb G for his great use of figurative language when describing 'The Last Tree' in English. Well done Seb!

**Elm:** Stan T for excellent writing in English, writing some high quality descriptive sentences.

**Horse chestnut:** Lizzie C for her very persuasive letter, written to Mrs Sage, about the positive aspects of graffiti art using rhetorical devices and evidence.

**Ash:** Eddie F for super research on Charles Darwin.

**Oak:** Finley W for great work when designing a propaganda poster for WWII.



## We celebrate

**Lola H**, palm, for her routine of the week certificate and her gym & trampoline medal all from Kingswood gym & trampoline club

**Ruby S**, palm, for her Baskervilles level 7 medal

**Poppy G**, sycamore, for her gym and trampoline medal from Kingswood gym & trampoline club

**Harper R**, sycamore class, for her Baskervilles level 6

**Amelia McN**, palm, for her certificate and medal for routine of the week from Gym & Trampoline Club

**Lewis K-B**, bumblebees, for his Baskervilles level 1

**Belle L**, willow, for horse riding rosettes from Brook stud for 2nd & 7th places

**Jessica T**, elm, for her Baskervilles level 8

**Jasper V**, cherry, for his 'coach's player of the day' award, Saltford FC U7's

**Kate P**, bumblebees, for passing level 1 Baskervilles gymnastics

**Demelza D**, apple, for her level 2 at Baskervilles gymnastics

**Nyla U**, sycamore, medal for Gymnastics from Kingswood Gymnastic club

**Anna P**, sycamore, for her medal and certificate from Kingswood Gymnastics

**Farah H**, sycamore, for medal and certificate from Kingswood Gymnastics

**Franki M**, sycamore, for swimming bronze medal, Keynsham swimming club

**Sophie V**, elm, for her 400m swimming badge

## Y5 netball

Mrs Burston writes: the Y5 Netballers played St John's School in a friendly game after school on Tuesday. The 15 girls in our squad (pictured below in School Snapshot) were divided into 3 teams, each having the opportunity to play 2 mini games.

The girls demonstrated great teamwork, communicating well with each other and excellent skills. They have trained hard since September and it was clear to see the progress they have made.

Well done to everyone involved.

## Quick links

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## Letters sent

[Year 3 costume letter](#)



## Doodle winter calendar

The winter calendar is now live. It's a seasonal challenge where your child can earn virtual festive rewards by Doodling daily!

Between the 1st and 24th of December, encourage your child to complete at least one exercise each day in DoodleMaths and/or DoodleEnglish. This unlocks a calendar door where players will be rewarded with seasonal accessories and exclusive songs for their jukebox. And if they open all the doors, they'll also receive a virtual Winter Calendar badge! To get started, the children simply need to log in to [DoodleMaths](#) or [DoodleEnglish](#) from today and complete an exercise.

Find out more from [this article](#), or visit [Doodle's Help Centre](#) and click on the green icon to chat to the team.



See all dates on our online calendar for parents here!



## Dates for your diary

[Click here for term dates](#)

### **OUR CHRISTMAS PAGE IS LIVE HERE**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December:** collect tickets from classrooms for Christmas performances.

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 3.30pm:** [PTA Christmas fair at school](#). See below.

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec:** [Saltford Christmas Market](#) at Saltford Hall

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Saltford [Santa Dash](#)  
**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>**

**December 9.15am:** FS/KS1 nativity.

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December:** [Y5 & Y6 performance at the Lighting of the Christmas Tree](#) event, Saltford Hall.

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December:** school [Christmas dinner special menu](#).

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December:** [class Christmas parties](#). Children can wear party clothes or Christmas jumpers.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 9.15am:** KS2 Christmas performances. [More info here](#).

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December:** last day for school Christmas post boxes.

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December:** Christingle service for children at school.

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January:** term 3 starts.

For term dates please see: [www.saltfordschool.org.uk/the-office/#term-dates](http://www.saltfordschool.org.uk/the-office/#term-dates). All other dates are on [the calendar for parents here](#).

Saltford PTA presents...

# Saltford Primary Christmas Fair

## Friday 2nd December 3:15pm – 5 (ish)

### What's happening?

- 3:15 Welcome (on stage in hall)
- 3:20 Choir sing some festive songs
- 5:00 Raffle (on stage in hall)

### The BIG raffle!

Tickets available from Raffle stall in the hall until 4:30pm

Draw taking place at 5pm

**LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL**



#### Outside food stalls

Prices from £1 - Selling hotdogs and delicious pancakes (Strawberry, Chocolate or Syrup)

Mulled wine and mince pies also available

#### Cafe - In Hall

Prices from 50p - Selling tea, coffee, hot chocolate and soft drinks plus lovely selection of cakes - **Please leave all cake donations in the library on Friday morning.**



#### In it to win it!

Kindly sponsored by Davies & Way someone will go home with £100 cash!!!! - **make sure you get your ticket**



**BE SURE TO CHECK OUT OUR  
SHOPPING VILLAGE - STALLS  
LOCATED IN THE HALL AND IN  
BUTTERFLY CLASS**



**Great opportunity  
for family pics or  
photos with your  
friends - Photo  
booth by Pete  
Travers will be in  
Sycamore class**

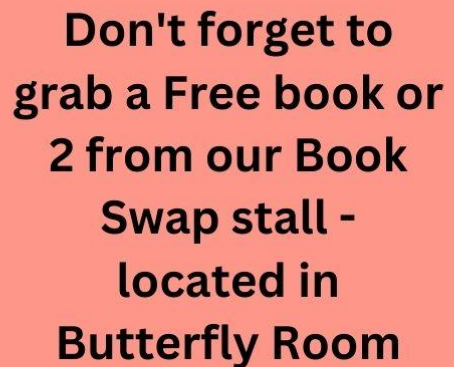
### **Booze & Chocolate for Tombola!**

Stock up for Christmas -  
only £1 for 3 goes with lots  
of great prizes on offer.  
visit early to avoid  
disappointment



### **Soft Toy Stall and Game lucky dip**

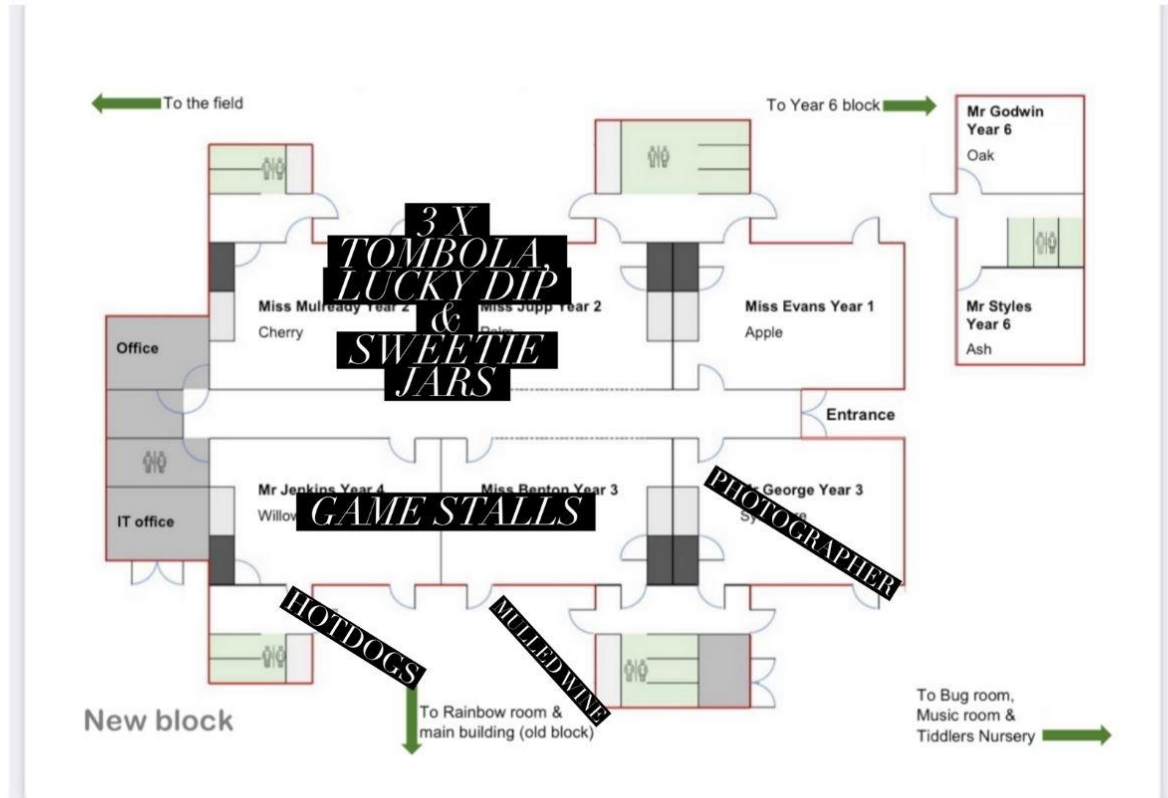
Grab a bargain at  
just £1 each



**Don't forget to  
grab a Free book or  
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Swap stall -  
located in  
Butterfly Room**

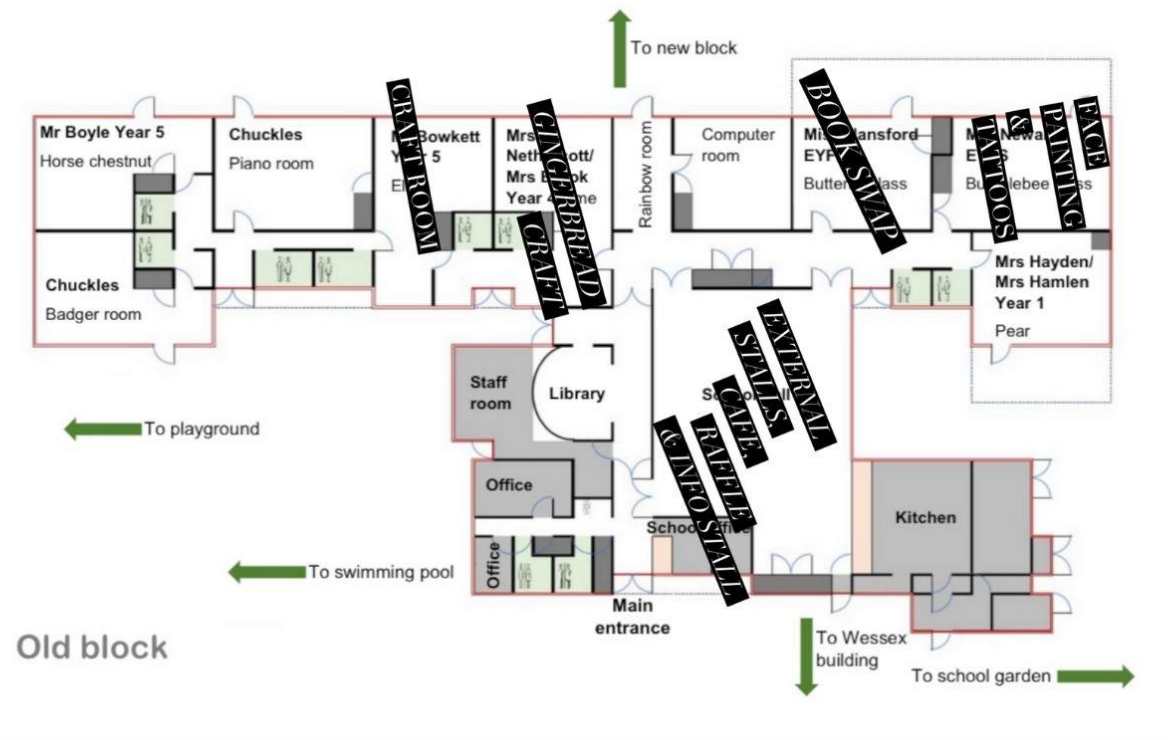
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Information stall will be located in the hall during event for any queries / issues



Saltford CofE Primary School

## School map 2022 – 23





# SCHOOL SNAPSHOT



Our Year 5 netball squad.



Monday's fun run to raise funds for Dorothy House in memory of Mrs Pafrey. Thanks to the Wellsway Sports Ambassadors for their invaluable help. If you would like to donate, please [visit our fundraising page here](#).

