Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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This week

- **Parking**
- PTA minutes
- **Book swap**
- Cake & uniform sales
- Early Years literacy meeting
- **Early Years** maths evening
- **Online safety**

See the latest news on our website here.



A few words from Mrs Sage...

Our wider school community, including our neighbours on Claverton Road, is very important to the inclusive, local ethos of our school. Our motto is 'Caring for our community'. Unfortunately, last week and this, we have received complaints from our neighbours about irresponsible and unsafe



parking by parents at school pick-up time. Please remember that inconsiderate parking is also unsafe parking. Every badly-parked car creates a more dangerous environment on the roads for our children. As a school, we encourage active travel for the benefit of children, the environment and the neighbours. Please consider walking, scooting or cycling where you can, even if it means parking slightly further from school and enjoying the last section of your journey in the open air. At drop-off time, parents are invited to park at The Crown pub and complete the journey to school on foot.

PTA: the minutes from the first meeting of the year are available to read online here. Friday sales and book swap: tomorrow it is the turn of Y1 to host the PTA cake sale to raise money for books and toys for their own classes. Cakes will be on sale outside the Y4 classrooms from 3.15 to 3.30pm. At the same time, the PTA will be selling recycled uniform in the hall at very reasonable prices, and children can take a free book from the book swap area outside the school office. Book swap books can be donated at any time by leaving them on the shelves outside the school office. Full info here on the website. Early Years Literacy: my thanks to everyone who attended the Early Years literacy evening on Tuesday and to Miss Hansford and Mrs Newark who ran it. It was lovely to see it so well attended and to hear your kind feedback. If you missed it, or need a reminder, you can find the presentation on Bumblebee and Butterfly class pages here. Early Years Maths: I would also like to flag the forthcoming Early Years Maths Evening that will also be held in the school hall at 6.00pm on Monday 10th October. Again, this is an essential workshop that will give you an excellent insight into the teaching of early mathematics and the role you play in supporting this at home.

Child safety online: I urge you to take the time to read fully the online safety item below. Best Wishes.

Mrs Sage.

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

FS/KS1

Bumblebee: to all new bumblebees for adjusting to their whole days so well this week.

Butterfly: the whole class has been fantastic at settling in to school life this week.

Apple: William K for illustrating a great kangaroo with labels.

Pear: Willow D for designing and labelling a lovely drawing of a Koala Bear.

Palm: Fraser H for working hard on his sentences about autumn.

Cherry: Martha A for always being ready to learn.

Sycamore: Millie H for fantastic work in English when writing about the Blue Umbrella.

Maple: Riccardo d'A for his excellent use of adjectives and similes in his sentences in English.

Lime: Archer E for his excellent scientific investigation when

Willow: Bailey M for showing excellent resilience regarding his work and trying his best. Well done Bailey!

Elm: Frankie B for brilliant descriptive sentences using relative clauses within English. Awesome!

Horse chestnut: Sid K for a fantastic self-portrait using hatching & cross hatching techniques to capture an amazing likeness. **Ash:** Joshie K for excellent presentation of his circuit diagrams and deep task in Science.

Oak: Harry K for an excellent - well organised science work, using a range of electrical components.

Design a mascot for the Zest quest! CAN YOU HELP ON THEIR QUEST TO CREATE 3 NEW **MASCOTS?** COMPETITION

CLOSING DATE FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER 22

All Futura primary children are invited to enter this fun competition from Zest, our school caterers. They are looking for three new mascots based on fruit, vegetables or salads, and there are prizes to be won! The winner's mascot will become part of the Zest catering family and the winning designers will each win a £20 Smyths toy voucher and a pair of tickets to any Gloucestershire County Cricket club match.

The closing date is Friday 14th October. For full details, see the poster here or simply download the entry form here and get started!

We celebrate

Aimee P. horse chestnut class, for her special 'thank you' email and certificate from the National Trust for planting a tree for the Queen's Jubilee.

Carrie R, apple class, for her award for preprimary in dance.



Quick links

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Year 6 Wellsway School open evening



Harvest festivals

We are trying a new system for our harvest festivals this year which take place on Wednesday and Thursday 5th & 6th October. By increasing the number of services and introducing ticketing for all of them, we are aiming to ensure that all families get an equal chance to enjoy this special service. We will be contacting all parents directly with details of the services, what to contribute and ticketing.

Crucial online safety advice

We are reminded by the current news coverage of the Molly Russell inquest just how important it is to start talking to our children about their safety online as soon as they have access to tablets and other devices that connect online. New research shows that nearly half of all 3-4 year olds have their own tablet so it is never too early to start the discussion in an ageappropriate way. Please take the time to read our online safety newsletter for parents for September which is full of practical tips for parents of primary-aged children.

FREE taster session from Keynsham Life Saving Club on Sun 25th Sept, 2 - 4pm, for 8 - 18 year olds at Keynsham Leisure Centre. More info here.





Dates for your diary

Thursday 22nd September 6-8pm Wellsway School: Y6 open evening. Friday 23rd September 3.15pm: Y1 cake sale, PTA used uniform sale, free book swap for children. More info here.

Sunday 25th September: FREE taster

session for lifesaving club

Tuesday 4th October: Governors' AGC Wednesday 5th October morning:

Harvest service session 1. Approx times: FS/KS1 9.15 - 9.45am and KS2 10 - 10.45am.

Thursday 6th October morning:

Harvest service session 2. Approx times: FS/KS1 9.15 - 9.45am and KS2 10 - 10.45am.

Friday 7th October: Y1-6 school disco.

more info to follow

Monday 10th October 6pm school hall: Early Years Maths evening for

parents. More info to follow.

Friday 14th October: closing date for Zest design a mascot competition

Monday 17th October: Y2 visit to

Slimbridge

Friday 21st October: Y1 visit to

Slimbridge

Friday 21st October: end of term 6. Term dates for this academic year are

on our website:

www.saltfordschool.org.uk/theoffice/#term-dates.



HOCKEY ACADEMY

Secondary Academy (for those in years 7-11)

Wednesday 5.30-6.30pm during school terms 1-4 Friday 3.20-4.20pm during school terms 1-6

Primary Academy (for those in years 2-6)

Friday 4.30-5.30pm during school terms 1-6

Hockey Heroes (for those aged 5-8)

8 week introductory programme running once or twice a year. Dates published on club website as and when available.

ALL SESSIONS HELD AT WELLSWAY SCHOOL SPORTS CENTRE ON NEW ALL-WEATHER PITCH.

New members welcome at any time of the year.

We are happy for new players to come along and give it a try for a week or two before committing to joining.

Membership subs currently £75 for the entire winter season (terms 1-4) including all training and match fees.

50% discount for those joining after Christmas.

Please see club website for further details.

www.keynshamhockey.club



England Hockey Level 3 coach with over 25 years of experience

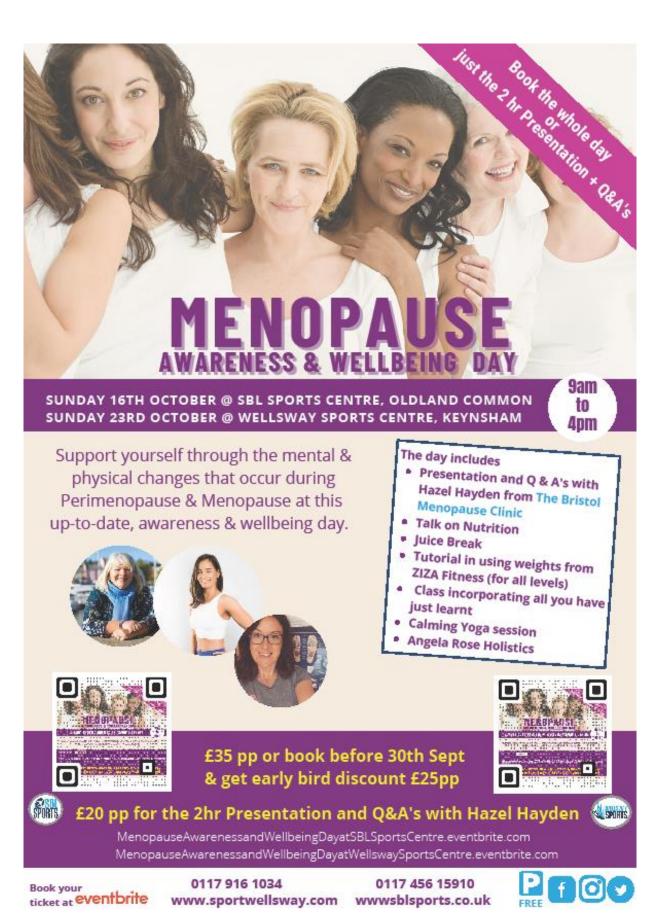


Friendly, community-based hockey club



during sessions





Sunday 16th October, <u>click here</u> to book your ticket now. Sunday 23rd October, <u>click here</u> to book your ticket now.