# Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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# This week

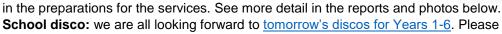
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See the latest news on our website here.



# A few words from Mrs Sage...

Harvest festivals: sharing our traditional Harvest performances has been a real pleasure this week. Thank you for your donations; I know that Leonard <u>Cheshire Homes</u> are extremely grateful. Thanks also to all the staff involved



remember children need to bring their water bottles with them. Thanks to the PTA, volunteers and staff who will be supporting this event to make it run smoothly.

Have your say on consultation evenings: we have sent an online survey link to all parents asking for your preferences regarding the format of consultation evenings. We value your feedback and would appreciate your considering the advantages and disadvantages for each method we have tried. The survey is very short; the deadline for a response is the end of tomorrow, Friday 7th October. Whichever option is chosen, there will always be additional opportunities to come to school and look through children's work with them. You can access the survey here: consultation evening parents' survey.

School dinners: the cost of a school dinner is now £2.73. We believe that this is still very good value for the high quality meals that are provided. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are still entitled to free school meals under the Universal infant free school meals scheme (UIFSM) and some KS2 children will be eligible for free school meals. Please see more detail on the School dinners page of our website here.

School menu information: there is new allergen information for every meal on the school menu on the School dinners page of our website here. The menu for Tuesdays of week three has changed. You can see the up to date menu here.

Payments system: if you have any problems setting up your account on MCAS (My Child at School) you can find help on the school website here. If you need to be re-issued with your invitation code, please email the school office for help. There is a direct link to MCAS on the home page of the school website.

Prospective pupils: we are running school tours this month for families who have a child starting school in 2023. Please let your local friends and family know. All tour dates here. Best Wishes, Mrs Sage.

# HEADTEACHER AWARDS

# FS/KS1

Bumblebee: Tilje BF for her huge smile and for trying her very best in Harvest practices.

Butterfly: Ida C for singing so beautifully during our Harvest festival practices.

Apple: Ada F for beautiful singing and brilliant actions during our Harvest festival.

Pear: Audrey G for her detailed and colourful drawings about 'Mog the Forgetful Cat'.

Palm: Charlie K for writing a super harvest prayer. Cherry: Thomas R for working really hard in Maths.

**Sycamore**: Christina C for fantastic presentation and planning in

Maple: Elliot M for his excellent work in maths.

Lime: Billy B for his excellent attitude to his touch typing skills, logging on every morning without being reminded – well done! Willow: Sienna O for her excellent work adding and subtracting 3-4 digit numbers using her place value skills. Well done Sienna! Elm: Esther W for a brilliant piece of writing inspired by the Gorilla

Horse chestnut: Harriet G for always asking questions about a huge range of subjects demonstrating her love of learning about

**Ash:** Erin B for an excellent formal report on the yellow spotted

Oak: Felix L for excellent organisation and layout of his work on long division.



# EYFS and KS1 children sang songs to celebrate traditional harvest time. The children performed on Wednesday and Thursday morning to a packed out audience. Each year group performed a song and they also sang songs together. All children from year 2 wrote harvest prayers. They all did a brilliant job. Special thanks to Mrs Browne for all her work with the children.

# **Harvest reports**

It was a West Country Themed harvest for KS2. Each year group performed a song and recited a poem about Farming and the Countryside. During the service, the children also sang songs together to celebrate harvest time, had time to reflect and thank God for all that is provided to us and listened to a prayer read out by a child in Year 6. Well done to all of KS2 for performing so well and enthusiastically.

This year all food donations will go to Leonard Cheshire Homes who provide support to people with disabilities to live, learn and work as independently as they choose whatever their ability.

# We celebrate

**Sophie V**, elm class, for her Baskerville's gymnast trophy. **Harper R**, sycamore class, for her Baskerville's gymnast of the day.

Esme P-G, cherry class, for 2 medals and a trophy in her Irish dance competition Scarlet H, cherry class, for her medal for Spanish and 3 medals for Baskerville's gymnastic competition.

# **Quick links**

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# Letters sent

Y6 Okehampton Camp June 2023

Y5 Mill on the Brue Camp March 2023

Y4 Barton Camp April 2023



# **Cross country success**

Mrs Brook and Mr Bowkett took 18 runners to the B&NES schools cross country competition at the Odd Down Sports Park this week. In a fiercely competitive event with over 500 pupils competing, we were extremely proud of our whole team's consistently high standards, with some individual brilliance on display too. See the whole team pictured below and read Mrs Brook's sports report online here for full details.

We would like to thank Mr & Mrs Burston and Mrs Bell for organising and hosting us and those super parents who helped with transport and cheered the team on!

# Safeguarding

The safeguarding of our children is our top priority in school. For information about our safeguarding processes or who you can talk to if you have a concern we have a dedicated safeguarding section on our school website here.

Walking home unaccompanied: please refer to our arrivals and departures policy on the website. If you wish your Years 5 and 6 children to walk home unaccompanied, you need to complete the relevant section in this policy and return it to the school office.





# Dates for your diary

Click here for term dates

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October:** Y1-6 school disco, <u>full information on the website here</u>.

**Friday 7**<sup>th</sup> **October:** school tour for new starters in 2023. More dates here.

Monday 10th October 6pm school

**hall:** Early Years Maths evening for parents. More info to follow.

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October:** school tour for new starters in 2023. More dates here.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October: closing date for Zest design a mascot competition

Mon 17th October: Y2 visit to

Slimbridae

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> October: Y1 visit to Slimbridge Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October: Y6 <u>cake sale</u>,

uniform sale and book swap.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October: end of term 1.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October & Thursday
27<sup>th</sup> October: Up & Under holiday multi
sports at Saltford School, 9am – 4pm.
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November: term 2 begins

Tuesday 1st November: special

Halloween lunch menu.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November: special

bonfire lunch menu.

Friday 4th November: PTA firework

display. More info to follow.

Term dates for this academic year are

on our website:

www.saltfordschool.org.uk/the-

office/#term-dates.

# The easy pleasure of reading

We were delighted to hear from Gillian Clare who volunteers at Saltford library. She ran a library stall at the summer fair in July promoting the summer reading challenge alongside the book swap for children. It seems that initial figures from the central library service show that our school had by far the highest number of children participating in the summer reading challenge in the whole of B&NES, with 99 children signing up. This is a super achievement and we hope that all 99 enjoyed the experience. The reading challenges are there to encourage children aged 4 to 11 to enjoy the many benefits of reading for pleasure. If you missed this year's challenge, the good news is that you can still find lots of inspiring information and free activities available on the summer reading challenge website

# Volunteers always welcome at Saltford library

Saltford Community Library is staffed by more than 60 volunteers. They are always pleased to add to the pool so, if you think you might be interested in volunteering, please

email <u>library@saltfordhub.org</u> or ask one of the library volunteers for a copy of the volunteering Application Form.

# What do *you* want from your local library?

You can have your say on library services for your children: B&NES

Libraries are running a short survey to find out what parents and carers of children aged 0-11 think about and want from library services.

The survey runs until Monday 10th October and is open to all residents who care for children aged 0-11. Please take a few minutes to share your views:

http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/parentscarer\_slibraries.

No child is too young to join the library – they are fun and stimulating places for young people to enjoy. As well as the extensive choice of books, there are regular children's events in all branches. There are also lots of children's ebooks, audiobooks and e-magazines available via the <a href="LibrariesWest"><u>LibrariesWest</u></a> website, or via the free <a href="mobile app"><u>mobile app</u></a>. All this for free!

More information and social media links on the B&NES Children and young people's library services website here.

# Inspirational birthday present



As a 9<sup>th</sup> birthday treat for Jennifer, from willow class, she and her sister Eliza went to hear Robin Stevens, their favourite author, talking about what inspired her to take up writing. They were pleased to be able to buy signed

copies of Robin's latest book to make the treat last even longer!

# For parents

Please see our <u>reading section here</u> for useful links for children and parents, or take a look at <u>Miss Davis' Inspire Reading help here</u>. There are games, book lists, tips for parents & more...

# **EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

w/c 10 October

# Here's what is happening in your Libraries this week

For any ticketed events, the link will be online via Social Media or via the blog.

### **Bath Central Library**

Storytime Sessions, Family Fun Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00 am 11 October

Art in the Library - Sarah Targett, Charlotte Farmer, Jude McGuire, Kate Bernstein:

Monday - Saturday

3 - 29 October

### Keynsham Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun Tuesday 9.30 - 10.00 am 11 October 10.30 - 11.00 am

### Midsomer Norton Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun Monday 11.00 - 11.30 am 10 October

Storytime Sessions, Family Fun Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00 am 12 October

### Digital All Social Media

Black History Month, October

World Mental Health Day, 10 October

Family Learning Festival, 15 - 30 October

Children's Book Review 15 October Bathnes Libraries Blog









# **SCHOOL SNAPSHOT Cross country team** EYFS/KS1 harvest **festival KS2** harvest festival Contact the Governors via clerktogovernors@saltfordschool.org.uk Get in touch the PTA via pta@saltfordschool.org.uk



# OCTOBER HALF TERM 2022 - MULTI SPORTS COURSE SALTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th October 2022



Saltford School, Claverton Road, Saltford, Bristol, BS31 3DW
 9.00am to 4.00pm | Open to boys and girls of all abilities aged 5 - 11

# Learn new skills, see your friends and have FUN!

Our Multi Sports Programme will provide the opportunity to take part in a fantastic variety of sports & activities

There will be daily competitions, prizes and a Halloween themed afternoon involving multiple activities and an inflatable Obstacle Course!

Our activity days are structured around teamwork and working together and are delivered in a fun and engaging atmosphere

PRICE: \$28 OR DISCOUNTED RATE OF \$50 FOR BOTH DAYS. 10 % SIBLING DISCOUNT IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, OR TO BOOK:

Website - www.upandundersports.co.uk | Email - enquiries@upandundersports.co.uk | Call us - 07896814270

To book and for more information go to <u>www.upandundersports.co.uk</u>