Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter











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This week

- Y6 cake sale
- Uniform sale& book swap
- Dinners menu next term
- School disco
- PVG meeting
- Half term activities

See the latest news on our website here

A few words from Mrs Sage...

It has been a fantastic term - lots of wonderful activities and learning across the school. Thank you to all our Reading Champions who now come into school just before pick-up to hear children read. If this is something you could support please contact the school office. Reading is such an important foundation for learning so a huge thank you for hearing your child read at home. See more about our new Reading for the Stars scheme below.

Y6 cake sale tomorrow: it is the Y6 cake sale with uniform sale and book swap tomorrow after school in the hall. Why not start half term with a treat?

Book swap & uniform sale: this also takes place tomorrow after school in the hall. It's a great opportunity to take home a new book for half term for free. Used books can be donated at any time in the box outside the school office.

Dinners menu: the menu for new term – along with the relevant allergen checker sheets - are <u>now available our school website here</u> for browsing with your child. You can now order your dinners ahead via MCAS in the usual way.

School disco: this took place last Friday after school. Thank you to all the parents and staff who helped, especially Janet Allen for leading the event. It was a great night and we know the children had great fun.

PVG meeting: thank you to everyone who represented parents' views; it was a pleasure to have such an open discussion with you. Many topics came up which we will actively address next term. Please read the minutes here.

Half term activities: we have included at the end of this newsletter a selection of activities that we have been asked to make our community aware of. Many of these are free. Please note the Basketball camps for Years 1-6 taking place at school during half term and on the INSET day on Monday 30th October. We look forward to welcoming you all back for the new term on Tuesday 31st October, refreshed, relaxed and ready to learn! Term 2 is always a special time with all the seasonal celebrations. Have a lovely half term, Mrs Sage.

STAR PUPIL AWARDS

KS₁

Apple: Stan R for his enthusiasm during maths lessons and his very quick answers to maths "part part whole" questions. Well done Stan. **Pear:** Jesse B for an amazing sentence about where wolves live. Super sentence Jesse.

Palm: Bethan W for working hard to reduce the size of her handwriting. Well done Bethan!

Cherry: Alex B for an amazing explanation to the class in Maths! You explained how you got to your answer perfectly!

KS2

Sycamore: Ella E for brilliant work with column addition in Maths. Well done, Ella!

Maple: Ronnie A for his excellent work with column addition and exchanging in Maths. Well done Ronnie!

Lime: Ethan B-D for his excellent arithmetic skills in maths this term. Well done Ethan!

Willow: Niamh V for her excellent work translating the date into French (including day and month). Well done Niamh!

Elm: Isaac M for being a super star rugby player! Well done on receiving a WOW moment for your two tries, no one could keep up with you! **Horse chestnut:** Zara H for her wonderful verbal contributions to class discussions including detailed recaps of our class book and empathy for others.

Ash: Robyn H for brilliant sewing skills and helping others in DT. **Oak:** MJ P for excellent effort and understanding when dividing fractions.

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New E-team

On Monday E-team met with Miss Jupp to discuss their forthcoming projects. E stands for 'Equalities' and is something that is very important at Saltford School. E-team wants to make sure that everyone is treated fairly at school and everyone is kind to each other. Each class has two E-team members that will meet with Miss Jupp each term to discuss new projects. Their first project after half term will be to raise the profile of antibullying. They are planning to lead an assembly for the whole school.

Thank you to Miss Jupp for all her work with the E-team.

We celebrate ★

Isla H, Apple, for completing the Bath Half family run.

Toby B-L, Lime, for a great qualifying performance for the cubs' district archery final.



New house captains elected

A huge congratulations to our new house captains for 2023-24! They are pictured above. The calibre of entries was incredibly strong this year, which made voting a challenge! We are so proud of every Year Six who put themselves forward. You did an amazing job! This year the house captains will be focusing on how to encourage their house to contribute to charitable work across the school. We look forward to hearing and discussing their proposals in the first house meeting. Thank you to Miss Hansford for coordinating our house afternoon and elections.

No parking at The Crown pub

A reminder that, unfortunately, parents are no longer invited to use The Crown pub car park in the morning for dropping off children and completing the journey on foot. We are told that anyone parking there and not using the pub will be issued with a fine.

If you have no choice but to drive, we would encourage you still to park a little further out from school and make the rest of your journey on foot, or by scooter. It's often a nicer way start the day.

Reading for the Stars

Please see our letter to parents here for the complete picture of our exciting new initiative that we will be launching after the half term break. We would love all children to be "Reading for the Stars" by completing their bookmarks and we would love your support in this. You might also decide over half term to go for the Blue Peter Book Badge! See the letter for more information.

We look forward to celebrating your child's reading journey to the stars!



WOW team assembly

Last Friday, children from Year 6 (Sam B, Emily P, Zhenya K and Maisie E) who are part of the WOW Team, led an Assembly on 'Thankfulness'. In the Assembly the children talked about what we should be thankful for and why. They also researched and read a passage from the Bible about 'The Man who came Back', played a video about 'The Dog and his Bone' and played a Tic-Tac-Toe game with audience participation. Finally, they ended the Assembly with a prayer thanking God for all the wonderful things we have. Well done to Sam B, Emily P, Zhenya K and Maisie E for a well prepared and thoughtful Assembly. Thank you to Mr Jenkins for coordinating the WOW team.



Singing/vocal opportunity

Mrs Hayden would like to draw your attention to a musical opportunity for children aged 7 and over. This comes from our external music service, West of England Music (WEMA). There is also full information in the flyer at the end of this newsletter,

Singing/Vocal workshop Sunday 12th Nov: suitable from age 7 and above, this is free for children in receipt of free school meals or have Pupil Premium funding, or £15 per student. Exploring a range of styles, this is a fun and welcoming environment for young people to sing together and make new friends! It takes place in Bradley Stoke. For more info and to book a place, go to

https://forms.office.com/e/JAZWxcn9RG

Dates for your diary Click here for term dates



Friday 20th October: Y6 cake sale with

uniform sale and book swap.

Friday 20th October: last day of term 1.

Tuesday 24th October 9 – 3: Matt Analts basketball camp at Saltford School for Y1-6

Monday 30th October: INSET day

Monday 30th October 9 – 2.15: Matt Analts basketball camp at Saltford School for Y1-6

Tuesday 31st October: term 2 begins for children.

Friday 3rd November: PTA fireworks event. Monday 6th November 7.30pm: PTA meeting and AGM.

Friday 10th November: Remembrance service for children.

Tuesday 14th November: flu vaccinations for children Reception - Y6.

Thursday 16th & Monday 20th November: consultation evenings. Details to follow.

Friday 17th November: Children in Need Friday 24th November: Y3 cake sale with uniform sale and book swap.

Friday 1st December: PTA Christmas fair. Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th December

mornings: Reception/KS1 Nativity

performances.

Thursday 7th December: the lighting of the

Christmas tree at Saltford Hall.

Friday 8th December: school Christmas

dinner.

Wednesday 13th & Thursday 14th December mornings: KS2 Christmas performances. Friday 15th December: Christingle service. Friday 15th December: last day of term 2. Tuesday 2nd January 2024: INSET day Wednesday 3rd January 2024: term 3 begins for children.

For term dates please see: www.saltfordschool.org.uk/the-office/#termdates. All dates are on the calendar for parents here.



THIS TERM'S DOODLE CHAMPIONS



Top 3 Stars

Harrison M - Willow

George F - Pear

Barnaby F - Apple

Top Class

Horse chestnut



doodletables

Top 3 Stars

Morwenna B – Ash

Elowen B – Ash

Toby S – Elm

Top Class

Horse chestnut



Top 3 Stars

Barnaby F – Apple

Jack B - Elm

Mila J - Willow

Top Class

Willow



Top 3 Stars

Edmund S-C - Oak

Emily P - Ash

Zach H - Elm

Top Class

Maple



With Halloween around the corner and Christmas a few months away there are prizes for the best fancy dressed in our themed Roller Disco Sessions.

As well as our new permanent Friday night sessions at Wellsway Sports Centre from 4.30pm to 6.00pm, we are still running the sessions every Tuesday and Thursday during the school holiday. For Friday nights you can book any time slot during this time online or pay at reception. Please remember we only take card payments.

You can also hire the hall for a Roller Disco party with lights and music if you wanted. For more information either call or email us.





Block cards, Teen Gym and Court Hire gift cards on sale at both sports centre receptions. Teen Gym is available for children in year 10 and 11. It open to them Monday to Friday from 3.15 pm to 4.30pm, weekends 11.00am to 3.00pm and 10.00am to 4.30pm during the school holiday periods.



School holiday activities.

As well as roller disco and court hire in the school holiday, you can also turn up to play football or hockey* (*at Wellsway only) at either of our centres. All we ask is that you call ahead to make sure the pitch is available and then you come along, pay £3.50 per person at reception and then play with your friends or family. We also have the popular Scrap Craft Challenge. Please note we are card payment only.



SCRAP CRAFT
CHALLENGE

Let your child challenge their creativity with our
stay and create 1 hour open sessions at both
Wellsway & SBL Sports Centre's arts+crafts room
EVERY SCHOOL HOLIDAY

OPEN 10AM TO 3PM AT HELLISM TO ENTRE
MONDAY TO FRIDAY DISCRESSEE STRE
EVERY THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

ONLY £1.50 PER CHILD

Free parking at both sites - Pay on arrival (card only)
www.sportswellsway.com

Www.sblaports.co.uk

W W W . S p o r t w e l l s w a y . c o m
Chandag Road, Keynsham BS31 1PH

WWW.sblsports.co.uk
North Street, Oldland Common, BS30 8TS

Sunday Sessions VOCALS

Two workshops for young singers of all abilities!

Sunday 12th November Meadowbrook Primary School, Bradley Stoke

10am - 12.30pm ages 7 - 10 1.30pm - 4pm ages 11 - 14

The wonderful Kate Courage returns for another set of workshops. Exploring a range of styles, this is a fun and welcoming environment for young people to sing together and make new friends!

TICKETS: £15 per student

Free for students in receipt of free school meals



CLICK HERE to book and for more info

ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

w/c 23 Oct LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES **Bath Central Library Creativity Corner** During opening hours Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In Mon - Sat During opening hours Knit Two, Share One - knitting & Crochet group for any age/ability 10.00 - 12.00pm Thursday Norland Nannies Community Sewing Bee - For any age/ability, drop in Friday 10.00 - 2.00pm 27 Oct Cane Warriors: from page to performance Mon - Sat During opening hours 12 -26 October Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

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

Visit bathneslibraries.wordpress.com

LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES **Keynsham Library** Keynsham Archaeology Day - Free Drop In 11.00 - 3.00pm Tuesday Sendias Surgery, for young people and/or parents Wednesday 10.00 - 12.30pm **Creativity Corner** Mon - Sat During opening hours Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite **Midsomer Norton Library Creativity Corner** During opening hours Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

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PTA wreath making evening

Spaces are available for the first ever PTA wreath-making evening on Wednesday 22nd
November.

Florist and owner of The Flower Box
Saltford, Ali Pera, is leading the workshop. It
is open to parents and to family members
so you can enjoy making your wreath in
familiar company!

Taking place at school, there will be a bar on the evening; food options and pre order in Prosecco are available online here: <u>Saltford</u>

School PTA (pta-events.co.uk). There are booking options from £40 per person which includes wreath making, a mince pie, and a drink of choice (prosecco, mulled wine or a soft drink).

Organised by Bath & North East Somerset Council, Museums Week celebrates the unique collections and activities in our local museums.

Admission is free for local residents with a Discovery Card.
There will be a huge array of events and activities on offer, from Halloween trails to Surrealist art activities and a family planetarium show.

For full event listings please visit www.bathmuseumsweek.co.uk





Interested in volunteering?

SENDIAS Bathnes offers free, impartial and confidential information, advice and support to children and young people between the ages of 0 to 25 with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their parents/carers.

We have two exciting volunteering opportunities.

We are looking for an Administrative Volunteer to support our friendly and professional team. Tasks will include telephoning our service users for feedback and assisting with marketing and general administrative tasks.

We are also looking to expand our current team of Parent Champion

Volunteers, who attend events such as support group coffee mornings and
school open days to speak to families about what we do and what other
services are available locally.

We will provide you with training, on-going support and cover reasonable expenses.

For further information and an application form please visit https://sendiasbathnes.org.uk/volunteer-us



Get In Touch

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Email us: sendias@bathnes.gov.uk

Text: 07530263401





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MULTI-SPORTS CLUB

AT KEYNSHAM CRICKET CLUB



Monday 23rd - Thursday 26th October 9.00am-3.30pm

- Welcome to all
- School Years 1-7
- Varied multi-sports/activities
- Inclusive & friendly
- Low child:coach Ratios
- Learn new skills
- Meet new friends
- HAVE FUN!













www.keynshamcricket.com/multisports

Contact - tombryan@live.co.uk - 07891918722

Santa Dash fun event 3rd December



Registration is now open for the annual Santa Dash and the Mini Dash for all under 12s. All proceeds from this annual community event will go to two local charities, Imme is Precious and Butterflies Haven.

The Mini Field Dash:

- For all under 12s
- Two laps around Saltford Sports Club ground
- A Santa suit, running number and a medal will be supplied.

Adults can choose from 5 miles around Saltford & Keynsham or 5 km around Saltford. 12 – 16 year-olds must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information and to register,
go to saltfordsantadash.com.

Amazing opportunity: free concert tickets for families

Enjoy a thrilling live performance from the region's leading professional orchestra for free!

Bath Philharmonia offers local people a free ticket for a season of concerts at Bath Forum, starting on 3rd October with the first performance of the new season. For full details and to book go to https://bit.ly/bp43schools.