

Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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This week

Mufti Day

Y3 cake sale

Well done

Children in Need

PTA news

Christmas

A few words from Mrs Sage...

We were glad to meet parents and carers over the week for our consultation evenings. I trust you have found these sessions helpful.

As detailed [in this letter to parents](#), we aim to discuss where your child is and what their next steps are. If there is anything further you wish to follow up with me, then please make an appointment to see me via the school office.

I would like to thank all the staff for working hard to make the consultation evenings a success, and the staff who ran the creche on the night.

Mufti Day Friday 24th November: tomorrow, children may come to school in their own clothes. We ask that, in exchange, they bring a bottle or some chocolate for the Christmas fair tombolas. These are always a popular fundraiser.

Year 3 cake sale tomorrow: it's the turn of Year 3 to make and sell their cakes on Friday 24th. As well as the usual book swap and PTA uniform sale at the same time, the PTA will be on hand with Christmas raffle tickets for sale and collection.

Well done: I was delighted to receive an email from Wellsway PTA regarding Oliver A in Y4 who helped at the Wellsway Craft Fair. It said "He was such a great help and all the volunteers loved having him around... getting involved in such community events is so important and we really appreciated it". Well done Oliver.

Children in Need: thank you to everyone who supported Children in Need by wearing something spotty and donating. We raised £344 in cash and £143 online.

PTA AGM & meeting: these minutes and news are now [on the website here](#).

Christmas preparations: please read on and keep an eye on [our Christmas page here](#), the [parents' calendar here](#) and the [PTA Facebook page here](#).

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Sage.



[Christmas news is online here](#)

STAR PUPIL AWARDS

KS1

Bumblebee: Harry W for fantastic effort in dance. Harry is always listening carefully to the instructions and music.

Butterfly: Jax C for listening carefully to the instructions about how to make a peg pterodactyl. You made a super one!

Apple: Barnaby F for a fabulous attitude to work. Barnaby always works his hardest and tries his very best in writing and maths. Keep up the amazing work Barnaby!

Pear: Hugo R-P for working really hard in lessons and improving his letter formation.

Palm: Larissa Q for a fantastic big write retelling the story of Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion.

Cherry: Lara S for working so hard, even with a broken finger! You have shown such resilience, well done Lara!

KS2

Sycamore: James R for a fantastic setting description in our big write this week. Great job James!

Maple: Parker M for creating a fantastic and creative cave painting! Well done, Parker!

Lime: Seb S for a lovely, detailed sketch of an Egyptian landscape showing perspective.

Willow: Austin S for his super understanding of the functions of the different parts of the human digestive system. Well done Austin!

Elm: Lauren P for showing excellent listening skills, teamwork and resilience at Forest School. You were having such fun!

Horse chestnut: Lucas H for explaining his maths calculation methods in a clear and easy to understand way which has really helped his classmates. Lucas is always looking for patterns in maths.

Ash: Lois A for her confident and accurate maths work.

Oak: Zhenya K for excellent problem solving in maths when working on multi-step problems.



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We celebrate

All Year 4 participants: for participating in the Year 4 maths challenge

Larissa Q, Palm, for achieving her Level 4 Gymnastics
Sophie B-L, Palm, for achieving her Level 4 Gymnastics
Orla K, Apple, for achieving her Level 1 Gymnastics
Kate P, Apple, for achieving her Level 3 Gymnastics
Charlie K, Maple, for being selected to swim in the preliminary squad for Keynsham amateur swimming club
Martha A, Maple, for achieving her Level 7 Gymnastics
Florence G, Apple, for achieving her Level 1 Gymnastics
Cameron C, Apple, for achieving Stage 1 swimming
Bethany C, Palm, for achieving Stage 4 swimming
Jennifer C, Otilie G, Isla H, Ava W-H & Louisa Z-S, Horse Chestnut, for organising and maintaining a sponsored silence in aid of Children in Need

Year 4 Maths Challenge

Well done to all our amazing Y4 children who took part in the UK Mathematical Association Primary Maths Challenge. This is an annual challenge that is run for a selected group of children to challenge them in their mathematical understanding. They need to complete a series of questions in order to be awarded either a gold, silver or bronze certificate. The children who took part have been presented with their certificate in school. A sample question is shown below. Thank you to Mr Godwin and all our staff who helped to organise and run this challenge. Here is an example of the kind of question they had to solve:



Mrs Cox has an apple orchard and enjoys sorting out her apples. She can either put all her apples into bags of 4 with no apples left over, or she can put all her apples into bags of 5, with no apples left over. Which of the following could be the number of apples she has?

A 88

B 92

C 108

D 112

E 120

Ticket collection reminder

For our Christmas performances, two tickets are allocated per family. The best time to collect your tickets is after school, at the same time as you are collecting your children. Please pick up the tickets from the classroom of your youngest child in that Key Stage. If you are unable to pick up the tickets yourself, please either ask a friend to do so, or send in a named envelope with instructions via the class teacher.

Please note, in a change from last week's newsletter, tickets for both performances are now available.

Christmas parties!

On Friday 8th December we will be having our annual Christmas parties following the Christmas lunch. All children are allowed to wear party clothes or a Christmas jumper on the day. There will be party games and activities in their classes throughout the afternoon.

There will be an opportunity to buy reasonably-priced Christmas wear from the PTA at the Christmas Fair on Friday.

Our Christmas page is live



www.salfordschool.org.uk/christmas-2023

Christmas lunch on Friday 8th December

This is always a special time to come together for a festive meal and get in the party spirit for the afternoon.

The menu is:

Traditional Roast Turkey served with Pig in Blanket, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts, Peas, Carrots & Gravy
or
Sweet Potato & Vegetable Puff Pastry Christmas Tree Pasty (V) served with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts, Peas, Carrots & Gravy
followed by
Snowflake Cupcake or Festive Fruit Salad.

[See the menu here](#), or browse on MCAS and [book your Christmas lunch as usual](#).



PTA wreath making workshop

This was a lovely evening, attended by staff, parents and members of the wider community. Everyone came away with a wreath to be proud of. We hope it will become a regular fixture in the Christmas calendar.

Huge thanks to Ali from [The Flower Box](#) and Liz Sytko for running and organising the event.



Christmas fair is nearly here: December 1st after school

Please sign-up to help

Just 30 minutes of your time you can help make these wonderful events so special for the children. Childcare not needed as kids can help you on a stall; it's really fun and they like joining in. Yr 5 and 6 children can even run games stalls on their own.

There is a huge variety of help needed, so there is sure to be something that you can enjoy doing.

If you can't make the fair you can still help at our festive preparation evening on 27th nov, come along to help wrap things, decorate the hall, and fold raffle tickets.

Help on the day.

Slots available from 2-5.30pm:

[VolunteerSignup - Online volunteer signup sheets - PTA Christmas Fair volunteer sign up signup sheet](#)

Help at the preparation evening.
Monday 27th November.

Slots available from 3-4pm or from 7-8pm:

[VolunteerSignup - Online volunteer signup sheets - Monday 27th Nov PTA Christmas Fair preparation evening signup sheet](#)

Sign-up links are also [available on the school Christmas page here](#).

Donations requested

The PTA is collecting donations of fancy dress items, Christmas clothes, toys and games that your family has outgrown. These will be available to buy at the fair.

Please drop of your donations in the collection boxes at the front of school.

Mufti day tomorrow

Children can come to school dressed in their own clothes on Friday 24th, in exchange for bringing a donation of chocolates or a bottle for the highly popular tombolas.

Decorate your sweetie jars by Wednesday 29th Nov

To enter this fun competition, children are asked to create a festive sweetie jar. There are 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes for EYFS, KS1 and KS2. Jars should contain sweets that are in a wrapper of some kind and decorated with in a festive style. They can be glass or plastic. Please bring your jars to the school library between 27th & 29th November.

Raffle fantastic prizes

There are many superb prizes up for grabs in this year's raffle. Star prizes are a 43" Samsung Smart TV and a cordless Dyson V15 vacuum but there are many, many more chances to win. See the full list opposite. You will have received your tickets but you can request more from the school office or pick some up tomorrow at the uniform sale.

The 2023 Christmas Raffle

- 3 x Pilates/Meditation vouchers
- £50 voucher for The Globe
- 2 x Trunki bundles
- Men's Addidas Terrex Jacket (L)
- 2 x Children's tickets for Slimbridge
- Class photo for 2024
- Disc golf for family of 5
- £50 Avon Valley voucher
- Fancy bottle of booze
- 2 dried wreath workshops from the flowerbox
- £100 Reflections Hair Group voucher
- £20 Bath Soft Cheese voucher
- Family ticket for Bristol Pitbulls
- Silver letter dot charm
- £30 casting voucher
- Family mini photoshoot
- 70minute Paddleboarding session
- £20 CeCe Clothing voucher
- Premium Soft Drink Hamper
- £50 voucher for The Wave
- The Egg Theatre voucher
- £20 Hair voucher - Lorenza's Salon
- Stallholders Hamper
- 1hr Sports Massage at Redfern
- Gel Manicure
- Two raceday tickets for Bath Racecourse
- Dyson V15 "Absolute Detect" cordless vacuum
- Large Book Bundle from Keynsham Book Corner
- 2 x Bath Unity Panto tickets with ice cream!

Keep an eye on [the PTA Facebook page for updates](#)



Staff in Santa Dash

Several of the Salford Staff are running the Santa Dash for Dorothy House, some doing the 5K and some doing the 5 miles.

Do cheer them on along the way.

If you would like to support this cause, please go to their JustGiving page here:

www.justgiving.com/team/salfordschool

Reverse Advent calendar reminder

Thank you to everyone who has sent in donations for our Reverse Advent Calendar so far. There is now a box in every classroom to receive the children's donations and staff are also donating.

We would love to fill the boxes with non-perishable items such as jam, cereal, tinned goods or festive treats such as biscuits, mince pies, panettone and chocolate yule logs. It can be anything you can think of that is suitable to send to the food bank to improve someone else's Christmas. (Of course, please make sure anything you donate is in date). You don't have to spend a lot; all donations will be gratefully received.

Our donations will be delivered to our local food bank on Thursday 7th December in good time for them to be available at Christmas time. See all details [on our news page here](#).

See all dates
on our [online calendar for parents here!](#)

Dates for your diary



[Click here for term dates](#)

Friday 24th November: mufti day for a donation of chocs or a bottle for Christmas fair.

Friday 24th November: Y3 cake sale with uniform sale and book swap.

Monday 27th – Wednesday 29th Nov: bring your decorated sweetie jars to school.

Wednesday 29th November: Forest School for Y3

Monday 4th December: Christmas post boxes

Friday 1st December: PTA Christmas fair.

Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th December mornings: Reception/KS1 Nativity performances.

Wednesday 6th December: Forest School Y4

Thursday 7th December: the [lighting of the Christmas tree for Years 5 & 6](#) at Salford Hall.

Friday 8th December: [school Christmas dinner.](#)

Friday 8th December: school Christmas parties

Wednesday 13th December: Forest School for Y1

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.

Monday 8th January: PTA meeting at 7.30pm.

Thursday 18th January 5pm: [meeting for Y6 parents](#) on supporting your child and the transition to secondary school.

For term dates please see:

www.salfordschool.org.uk/the-office/#term-dates. All dates are on [the calendar for parents here](#).

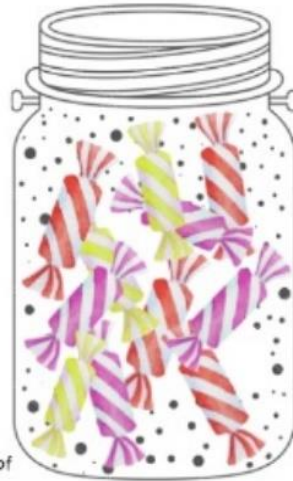


Decorate a Christmas Sweetie Jar Competition

Decorate your own festive sweetie jar,
1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes
for EYFS, KS1 & KS2



Sweets must be in a packet of
some kind (e.g. Haribo)
Jars can be plastic or glass with
some kind of covering
and must be festively decorated



Jars to be brought to the school library between
the 27th-29th of November
Judging will take place on the 30th of November



Jars will be used
at the Christmas Fair
to raise funds
for school

LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c
27 Nov

Bath Central Library

Storytime

Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00am 28 Nov

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00am 29 Nov

Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In

Mon - Sat During opening hours

Knit Two, Share One - knitting & Crochet group for any age/ability

Thursday 10.00 - 12.00pm 30 Nov

Norland Nannies Community Sewing Bee - For any age/ability, drop in

Friday 10.00 - 2.00pm 1 Dec

Board Game Saturdays

Saturday 12.30 - 4.00pm 2 Dec

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

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Midsomer Norton Library

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Monday 11.00 - 11.30am 20 Nov

Storytime

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00am 22 Nov

Midsomer Norton Christmas Light Switch On - Late Night Opening with Christmas Crafts for Adult & Kids

Thursday 5.00 - 8.00pm 30 Nov

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KEYNSHAM Winter Festival 2023

FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER
6PM TO 9PM

❄️ Christmas market & late night shopping ❄️

❄️ Procession & Christmas light switch on ❄️ Santa's Grotto ❄️

❄️ Face painting ❄️ Snowball Fun Zone ❄️ Character meet & greets

...AND MUCH MORE

Visit High Street,
Temple Street and
Market Walk shops to
collect a programme

...or scan the QR code for
all the Festival details



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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, [Time is Precious and Butterflies Haven](#).

The Mini Field Dash:

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

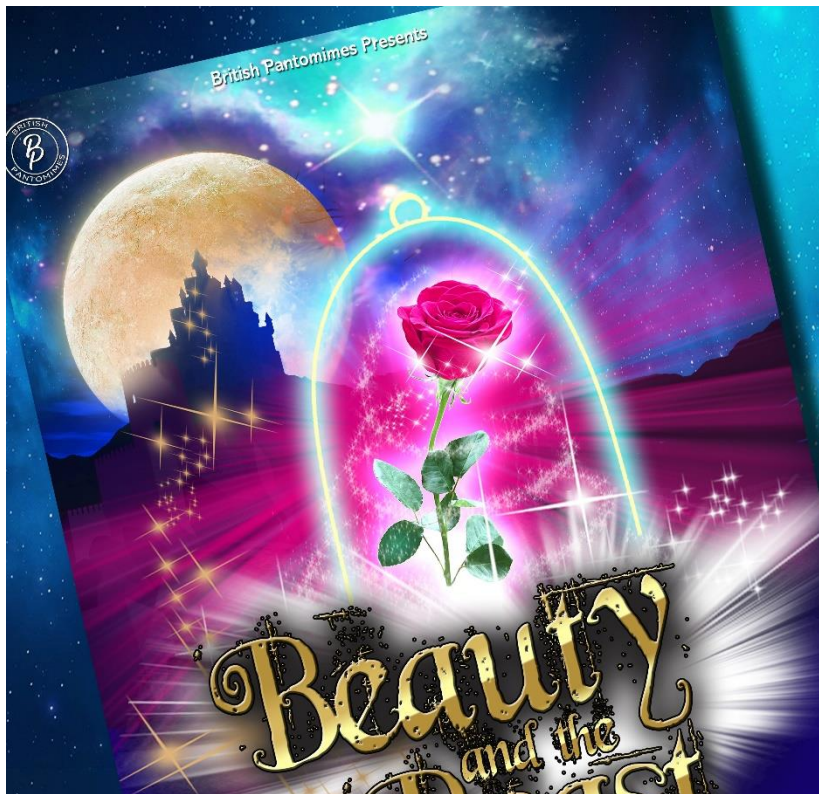
Adults can choose from 5 miles around Salford & Keynsham or 5 km around Salford. 12 – 16 year-olds must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information and to register, go to salfordsantadash.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>.



Special School Offer

USE CODE:
Adult and Concessions (£6.50 & £3.50) **BBAC23**
Family (2 adults plus 2 concessions) (£18.00)... **BBFA23**
Book at: www.ticketsource.co.uk/hayesfield

**Saturday 16th
December 2023
11am**

The Roper Theatre
Upper Oldfield Park
Bath BA2 9LA

Hayesfield Girls' School and Dragonfly Leisure would like to offer your school a special discounted price to see this panto, **Beauty and the Beast**

3LA

Suitable for children of 5 years + and their family. Book at <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/hayesfield> and use the discount codes shown in the poster.



Christmas Workshop

SINGING, DANCE, DRAMA, GAMES + CRAFTS

Thursday 21st December
SBL Academy, BS30 8TS
9.30am - 3.30pm
Ages 4 - 10

Christmas Workshop 21st December

This one-day Christmas-themed Performing Arts workshop for children aged 4-10 will be a fun filled day full of lots of games and activities to keep the children entertained in the run up to Christmas.

It also gives the parents a chance to have a child free day to get everything organised in the run up to the big day!

Please contact
info@sophielouiseperformingarts.co.uk
with any queries.