Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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This week

- Consultation evenings
- Easter lunch
- PTA Easter activities
- Careers talk
- Red Nose Day
- Year 5 camp
- Film night

See the latest news on our website here.



A few words from Mrs Sage...

It was lovely to welcome so many parents & carers to school on Wednesday evening for the first of our consultation evenings this term. If you have not yet made your appointment for next week, please get in touch with the school office who will help you do this. It is helpful if parents &

carers <u>have read this letter</u> explaining how we communicate children's progress **Easter lunch**: on Wednesday next week there will be an Easter themed biscuit for pudding after the usual roast lunch. Please <u>book your school meal as usual</u>.

'Eggovision' competition: children should <u>bring their decorated eggs to school</u> between Monday and Tuesday next week for judging on Wednesday 29th March.

Easter trail: during the holidays, there will be a fun family Easter puzzle trail around Saltford organised by the PTA, with a prize draw for correct answers and participating houses. If you could display a part of the trail in your window, please <a href="mailto:emai

Access to careers: thank you to Mrs Everett who gave an inspiring talk to KS2 children last week about her career as a vet. These sessions help to widen the horizons for all children when they come to working towards their dream career.

Red Nose Day: thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief by supporting Red Nose Day on Friday. We raised £165.90.

School camps: as we approach the last week of this spring term, Year 5 are looking forward to setting off on their 3-day camp at Mill on the Brue next week. I am looking forward to welcoming the children back to school on Friday night for the PTA film night. There is a reminder of all the information <u>on our website here</u>. Best wishes, Mrs Sage.

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

FS/KS1

Bumblebee: Ruaridh K for super speedy and enthusiastic phonics work.

Butterfly: Chloe D for amazing independent writing when spotting signs of spring.

Apple: Bethany C & Ada F for a super display of kindness on the playground, helping and looking after a child who had hurt themselves. Well done!

Pear: Blake S for writing some super sentences using capital letters, full stops, exclamation marks and question marks.

Palm: Eva L for writing a lovely description of her secret sky garden. Well done Eva! **Cherry:** Bella H, Ella E & Dana S for a super gymnastics routine that included, travelling, shape work and balance. Well done girls!

KS2

Sycamore: Toby B-L for a lovely display of kindness, helping another child to pick up the pencil case they had dropped. Great stuff Toby!

Maple: Siana D for writing an amazing story including lots of description. Well done Siana!

Lime: Sebby S for working really hard to make the right choices in class and trying his best to complete his work.

Willow: Jacob E for his great news bulletin about the escape of his 'Imperfect Pet'. Well done Jacob!

Elm: Lucia C for your continued brilliant attitude to learning. I was so impressed with your Jesters mask design in Art, such beautiful colours and attention to detail. Cannot wait to see the finished piece!

Horse chestnut: Daisy R for continued effort with maths, taking responsibility for identifying her progress and making personal targets for the summer term. **Ash:** Stanley M for thoughtful answers during VIPERS lessons and interesting ideas in his writing.

Oak: Roisin M for well-presented work when looking at the influence of the Victorians on modern life.

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Travelling Book Fair at school

Thank you to all the parents who supported the Travelling Book Fair last week. We enjoyed seeing the children enthusiastically choosing their books and adding to their collections. The fair was a great success, taking £521 and raising over £200 in free books for the school! This money will go toward refreshing our range of non-fiction books in the school library. Thank you also to Mr Styles for organising this opportunity.

Dance Umbrella

On Monday our Year 2s and Year 6s who participated in the Dance Umbrella had a lovely time enjoying the special opportunity to perform at a professional venue, the Forum.

They gave fantastic performances, thanks to the commitment they had shown to their rehearsals, and we were very proud of them all. Thank you to Mrs Browne for the super choreography and staging, and to Miss Mulready and Mr Styles for organising the classes. Most of all, thank you to the children for giving their all and to the parents and staff who supported them. We are looking forward to seeing the children perform their routines in school tomorrow for their parents and schoolmates.

We celebrate



Isla H, bumblebees, for her swimming level 5 badge.

Gethin L, maple, who achieved his blue belt at Kung Fu this weekend.

Lois A, horse chestnut, for her Swim England Stage 10 award.

Martha A, cherry, for achieving honours in her primary classical ballet exam

Nancy M-W, bumblebees, for her skiing medal.

Samba em Keynsham!

On the 22nd of March a group of Saltford year 5 students went to visit Wellsway school as part of a Samba workshop.

Wellsway's Miss Hinchliffe and Miss Barron said, "The children got to experience all things samba, including; dancing, playing in a samba band, listening to a traditional Brazilian song and seeing what Samba parades are like.

They then came back together for a short performance to parents and carers, involving both groups dancing and playing Samba instruments. Children also got to see what musical instruments our brilliant musicians played, and we had some of our wonderful sports ambassadors join us as well to help with the dancing.

We were impressed with the children's enthusiasm and want to say a huge 'Obrigado!' to everyone who came!"

Thank you also to the Wellsway staff and sports ambassadors, and to the parents who supported this opportunity for our Year 5s.

Years 1 – 6 visit our local church

Last week children in Years 1 – 6 visited St Mary's Church, Saltford. During their visit the children completed a number of different activities which gave them the opportunity to explore both the inside and the outside grounds of the Church. The activities included finding the Commonwealth War Graves of three men who died in the First and Second World Wars and to find the memorial to the feet of Frances Flood!

Emma King, who led the visits, commented, "A lot of the children in the school would never have visited St Mary's before. It's important that they feel welcomed into their church and that they feel comfortable in it, not scared. It's such a rich experience to be able to wander around and be able to explore a place of worship, but with things to find and a purpose. It makes coming to church much more fun."

We would like to thank Emma for making the visits so memorable and fun for the children. Thank you also to all our parent helpers who walked with the children to and from the church and to Mr Jenkins for co-ordinating the visits.

PTA Easter Holiday Egg Trail

Easter egg trail around Saltford Friday 31st March – Monday 17th April

Our PTA is organising a fun family Easter Trail during the Easter holiday. There will be a prize draw for correct answers to the Easter Code Conundrum & for participating houses included on the trail.

At least 12 houses on the trail map will display a very special Easter egg or spring-themed window or garden display for the duration of the Easter Trail. Each of these houses will be given a special coded Easter egg to display in a prominent position for the duration of the Easter Trail. We are encouraging as many houses to join the Easter Trail to spread some spring joy to all those that walk past. To have your house included on the Easter Trail map please email: pta@saltfordschool.org.uk by tomorrow.

Trail maps will be available to purchase for £2 from PTA
Events. All funds raised go towards vital resources for the children. Keep an eye on the PTA Facebook page here for updates and news.

We thank Sarah Cottram, Rajinder Boucher and the team for organising these special activities for the children.

Careers talks – get involved

We aspire to provide wide ranging life opportunities for all our pupils. To support this, we invite visitors from both our parent and wider community, to talk to the pupils about their careers. We do this to promote equality of opportunity for all children. If you could offer some of your time to talk to KS2 pupils within an assembly, or to pre-record a talk, please contact Mrs Sage via the school office who would love to support you to do so.

Reminder – eggs into school

You have eggs-actly 4 days to get cracking with decorating your Easter eggs for the PTA competition. Break out of your shell and unleash your creativity... Eggs decorated along the 'Eggovision' theme should be brought into school next week between Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th March to be in with a chance of a prize.

See competition details on our website here.



Doodle spring challenge 1st – 30th April

Children can join one or both of the Spring Challenges, in **DoodleMaths** and **DoodleEnglish**! These are designed to encourage a few minutes of daily Doodling, promote healthy learning habits and build each child's confidence, helping to spark a love of learning. Everyone who takes part will earn a **FREE in-app badge**, a real-life pin badge and an exclusive certificate. Please see more details here and join in!

See all dates on our online calendar for parents here!

Dates for your diary

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Thursday 23rd March: Y6 <u>Lifeskills Centre</u> visit.

Friday 24th **March:** PTA film night for children. Details on the website here.

Monday 27th March: <u>consultation evening</u>. Wednesday 29th – Friday 31st March: <u>Y5</u>

camp at Mill on the Brue.

Friday 31st March: end of term 4.

Friday 31st March – 17th April: PTA Easter trail for families.

Thursday 13th April 9am – 4pm: Up & Under Easter multi sports course at school for 5-11 year-olds. Details and booking here.

Monday 17th April: beginning of term 5.
Thursday 20th – Friday 21st April: <u>Y4 camp</u>

at Barton Camp

Monday 24th April 7.30pm: PTA meeting in

staffroom, all welcome.

Friday 5th May: <u>cake sale, Reception</u>. Plus

uniform sale and book swap.

Thursday 11th May: <u>Y6 health education and</u> camp meetings.

Friday 12th May: Ascension Day walk for KS2.

For term dates please see:

www.saltfordschool.org.uk/the-office/#term-dates. All other dates are on the calendar for parents here.

School Snapshot





















Open Morning at

WARMLEY MUSIC CENTRE

- · Affordable music lessons
 - · New beginner lower strings group starting after Easter
 - · See rehearsals and then FREE admission to our concert

When:

Saturday 25 March 2023

Time: 10:00 - 12:00

Venue: Sir Bernard Lovell Academy

North Street, BS30 8TS

Sign up here...

bit.ly/warmleyopen

...or just turn up

For more information:

musicservice@southglos.gov.uk/01454 863147 www.southglosmusic.org









Interested in a career in **HOSPITALITY**?

→ Join our FREE 1-week course to up-skill!



The next course starts on 27th of March

Call Gosia on 01225 328822 or 07754 555 957 Or email acl@bathcollege.ac.uk

EGG HUNT

ASTRO PITCH FOOTBALL
SHOOT A HOOP - COLOURING

Saturday 1st April to Sunday 16th April
10am to 3pm each day (except Easter Weekend)

Buy your map at Reception £2.00 per child.

Prize for completing the hunt



At Wellsway Sports Centre, Chandag Road, Keynsham BS31 1PH

www.sportwellsway.com FREE parking on site



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Adult to stay at all times *

For more Information: 0117 916 1034