

# Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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## This week

- Visitors
- Morning routine
- Supporting Year 6
- Year 2 cake sale
- House meeting
- School disco

[See the latest news on our website here](#)

## A few words from Mrs Sage...

This week we hosted a visit from the Crofty Multi Academy Trust from Cornwall. They requested a visit with a view to learning more about our approach and sharing ideas. It was a real pleasure to show them our school and lovely to receive such positive feedback from them, including that they could see "how engaged your children are in all aspects of school life".



**Start of the school day:** we have emailed all families to outline our expectations for the morning routine. Staff in the classrooms need to focus on settling the class as they arrive and being ready to take the register in good time at 8.50am. This all means that children can start their lessons on time. If you have an important message, please tell us well before 8.50am or, even better, at pick-up time at 3.15pm when the teacher is available. You can also come to the school office for any kind of assistance that you need at the start of the school day. We very much appreciate your support as there is always a packed day planned.

**Meeting for Y6 parents:** thank you to Mr Godwin, Mr Styles and Mrs Godwin for organising this evening. It was a pleasure to see so many of you attend. If you could not come, or would like a reminder, a [the presentation is available here](#).

We will be welcoming [Year 2 parents on Monday at 5pm](#) for supporting Year 2s.

**Y2 cake sale:** the Year 2 cake sale last Friday raised £247.20 and the PTA uniform sale raised £118. The next occasion will be [Year 4 on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March](#).

**House meeting:** thank you for sending your children in with the right clothes for their outdoor house meeting this afternoon. We hope they will have enjoyed it and will come home and tell you all about it.

Tonight's PTA school disco should be great fun. Please make sure children bring their labelled water bottles. Tea & coffee will be available in the library for parents. [All details are online here](#). Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Sage.

## STAR PUPIL AWARDS

### KS1

**Bumblebee:** Harlow R for always being kind to everyone.

**Butterfly:** Yasmine T for writing a super postcard from the Antarctic.

**Apple:** Nancy MW for working hard on editing her work and using her very neatest writing. She took great pride in her work!

**Pear:** Amelia F for working really hard on problem solving in maths.

**Palm:** Vincent C for working hard on his answers in a reading comprehension lesson. Well done Vince!

**Cherry:** Orla W for trying really hard on her performance voice when reading poetry. Well done Orla!

### KS2

**Sycamore:** Charlotte W for great teamwork with her partner when building bridges in DT. Fantastic work, Charlotte!

**Maple:** Aaron S for writing an excellent, detailed explanation of how earthquakes are caused. Well done, Aaron!

**Lime:** Anna P for her super work on earthquakes and volcanoes and discussing where and why they occur.

**Willow:** Roseanna B for her excellent work in Maths multiplying 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers. Well done Roseanna!

**Elm:** Polly B for working so hard on her learning behaviour. You are so engaged and focussed; I'm very proud of you!

**Horse chestnut:** Isla H for her resilience in maths to become more confident with long multiplication, practising the method in her own time. I am very proud of you for not giving up.

**Ash:** Aimee P for great use of dialogue in her narrative writing.

**Oak:** Osian L for showing good understanding when substituting values in his work on algebraic problems.



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## We celebrate

**Ada F, Palm**, for writing to a child in Chew Stoke School and receiving their Headteacher's Award for good handwriting.

**Harlow R, Bumblebees**, for her gymnast of the day award and Level 1 medal.

**Rosie B, Lime**, for passing her tap exam with merit.

**Jessica H, Palm**, for scoring her first hat-trick for her football team, Fry's U7s.

**Henry B, Butterfly**, for his medals from Childrens' Hospice South West and from Julie Gazzard Swim Academy.

**Elsie C, Butterfly**, for her star of the week award from Kingswood Gymnastics & Trampoline Club.

## Online safety for parents 31<sup>st</sup> Jan: login details

Please find below the link to access the parent/carer session to discuss your child's online safety. This takes place on **Wednesday 31st January, 9.30 – 10.15am.**

*This session is a repeat session from October 2023 so if you attended that session, you don't need to attend again.*

[https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting\\_ZWQyZjMwMjQtNGVhMy00NDEyLTg2ODItZDQ1OGNjM2FiMjcw%40thread.v2/0?context=%7B%22Tid%22%3A%22dcdb1ea5-3b10-49a2-bf8f-5fd59edcd762%22%2C%22Oid%22%3A%225772fa8f-9814-4199-aef2-9195804f833e%22%2C%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3Atrue%2C%22role%22%3A%22a%22%7D&btype=a&role=a](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZWQyZjMwMjQtNGVhMy00NDEyLTg2ODItZDQ1OGNjM2FiMjcw%40thread.v2/0?context=%7B%22Tid%22%3A%22dcdb1ea5-3b10-49a2-bf8f-5fd59edcd762%22%2C%22Oid%22%3A%225772fa8f-9814-4199-aef2-9195804f833e%22%2C%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3Atrue%2C%22role%22%3A%22a%22%7D&btype=a&role=a)

Attendees do not need to register; simply click on the link at the above time to access the session. Cameras and voice/audio will be switched off for all attendees but you will be able to ask questions by typing in the Q&A box. All this will be explained during the session.

**The event will be streamed using Teams. Attendees can watch the live event in the Teams app or the desktop (Windows or Mac) or mobile versions.** (The Teams app is free to download if attendees would like to do that beforehand).

If you don't have Teams you can still access it via one of the following browsers: Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge or Firefox.

NB: this session will be recorded and will be subsequently shared via [our Online safety page here](#) so if you can't make the live session then you can watch it back at a more convenient time.

# Absolutely no nuts please

**nutella** contains 13% hazelnuts.

For safety reasons, we must insist that parents/guardians do not send children to school with peanut butter sandwiches, Nutella, cereal bars containing nuts or indeed anything containing nuts, lentils or sesame seeds (on rolls or in snack bars or hummus for example).

We have several children with severe life-threatening nut and sesame seed allergies for whom a reaction can be triggered by airborne contact.

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

## Pentathlon

Years 2 and 3 were very lucky to take part in a Pentathlon Challenge on Wednesday afternoon run by Wellsway Sports Ambassadors. The children took part in a variety of activities including jumping, running and catching. We were so impressed with the teamwork and resilience shown by all the children.



Thank you to the Wellsway Sports Ambassadors and Mrs Burston for organising another fantastic event!



## Attendance matters – health appointments

There is a strong and proven link between children's attendance at school and their achievement and well-being throughout their lives.

Most children do not want to miss out on school and find it harder to get back into their learning when they may have missed a key lesson or two.

There may be times when your child has no choice but to stay off school but in the meantime you can support their learning by making appointments for the dentist, optician and doctor outside of school time.

If this is really not possible, it is expected that you make every effort to minimise the amount of time that the child is absent for the appointment and return immediately afterwards. Siblings must not also be taken out of school - this would be recorded as an unauthorised absence. If you have to make an appointment in school time, please get in touch with the school office to give as much notice as possible. The school may request confirmation of medical appointments or medical support of illness or injury. Medical evidence can include items such as a GP slip or letter, appointment card or letter, the original prescribed medication or the prescription itself.

Thank you for supporting us in this way.

## Term dates

We now have the term dates for the next school year.

These are always [available on our website here](#) under 'The office' or [the online school calendar for parents here](#).

## Design competition

Would you like to design an Easter card for St Mary's Church? It will go to every house in Saltford and there's an Easter egg for the winner. Bring entries to school before Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. See the flyer below for details. Good luck!



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

## Dates for your diary



[Click here for term dates](#)

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan 7pm:** Parent Voice Group meeting over Zoom.

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 5.30 – 6.30pm:** EYFS/KS1 disco.

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 6.45 – 8pm:** KS2 disco.

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 5pm:** [meeting for Y2 parents](#) on supporting Y2 children.

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 5pm:** [Year 5 camp and health education meeting for parents](#).

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2.45 – 3.15pm:** access afternoons.

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February:** [Safer Internet Day](#)

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February:** end of term 3

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February:** beginning of term 4

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2.30pm:** meeting for parents, supporting your Y1 children.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March:** [Year 4 cake sale](#)

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March:** end of term 4, Easter holiday.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April:** beginning of term 5, summer term.

**Weds 13<sup>th</sup> March:** [Lifeskills Centre visit Y6](#)

For term dates for this and next academic years please see:

[www.saltfordschool.org.uk/the-office/#term-dates](http://www.saltfordschool.org.uk/the-office/#term-dates).

All dates are on [the calendar for parents here](#).

# St Mary's Church

Serving Jesus in our community with faith, hope and love

## EASTER CARD DESIGN COMPETITION

***We are looking for your help with designing the front of our Easter card. The only rule is the size has to fit on a A6 (105 x 148.5 mm) piece of paper.***

***We are really looking forward to seeing all your artistic effort and the winner will get an Easter Egg as well as having their design printed on every card that will be posted in every house in Saltford.***

***Please can these be back to school not later than Friday 9th February***

**Good Luck**



### **FREE emotional health and well-being webinar for parents/carers**

Free webinar for parents and carers who have concerns or worries about their children's emotional health run by the school nurses on 8<sup>th</sup> Feb from 13:00-14:00.

If you would like to attend the session, please click on the link below to sign up:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/emotional-health-and-wellbeing-webinar-for-primary-school-aged-children-tickets-773058898977?aff=oddtcreator>

## LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c  
29 Jan

### Bath Central Library

#### BookTrust Storytime - I Am Happy

Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00am 30 Jan

#### Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00am 31 Jan

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

Thursday 10.00 - 12.00pm 1 Feb

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

Friday 10.00 - 2.00pm 2 Feb

#### Board Game Saturdays

Saturday 12.30 - 4.00pm 3 Feb

#### Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs

Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

#### Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In

Mon - Sat During opening hours

### Gift a Coat

Donate a coat to someone who might need it to keep warm this winter.

Tuesday 2 January - Saturday 17 February 2024 at Bath Central Library Bath Housing, Welfare & Advice Services

For any ticketed events, the link will be online via the blog.  
Visit [bathneslibraries.wordpress.com](https://bathneslibraries.wordpress.com)

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## LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

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29 Jan

### Keynsham Library

#### Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Tuesday 9.30 - 10.00am 30 Jan  
10.30 - 11.00am

#### Storytime & Craft

Thursday 11.00 - 11.30am 1 Feb

#### Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs

Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

#### Board Game Saturdays

Saturday 12.30 - 4.00pm 2 Feb

### Midsomer Norton Library

#### Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Monday 11.00 - 11.30am 29 Jan

#### Book Trust Storytime - Zeki Rise and Shine

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00am 31 Jan

#### Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs

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## Victoria Art Gallery in Bath The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Book Artists exhibition 19<sup>th</sup> Jan – 14<sup>th</sup> April

This colourful, family-friendly exhibition includes rare books, original artwork and artefacts, and reveals the important role of the illustrators in Ladybird's extraordinary success. There are hundreds of Ladybird books for visitors to browse through and share in themed retro reading areas. There's lots for children to enjoy, with a free exhibition 'I Spy' trail and a quirky 'Coco the Caravan' reading den.

Find out more on Thursday lunchtime tours, 1.30 – 2.00pm every week, free with an exhibition ticket. [The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Book Artists | Victoria Art Gallery \(victoriagal.org.uk\)](https://www.victoriagal.org.uk)

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# Skills for Work - Volunteering Opportunities 2024

## FREE ENTRY

The Event Will Be Held On:

Wednesday 31st January  
10:00am - 12:00pm  
at Bath Central Library

## Employment & Skills POD

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The Employment and Skills Pod is funded and managed by the West of England Combined Authority, led by Metro Mayor Dan Norris, and delivered by Bath and North East Somerset Council in partnership with Skills Connect.

Contact the Governors via [clerktogovernors@saltfordschool.org.uk](mailto:clerktogovernors@saltfordschool.org.uk) Get in touch with the PTA via [pta@saltfordschool.org.uk](mailto:pta@saltfordschool.org.uk)

## Fantastic music opportunities for complete beginners

Mrs Hayden writes: please see the flyers below for information about some new opportunities for all children, no experience needed, to learn a string instrument at low cost in a larger group. This is free for children with pupil premium. If your child is interested in learning violin, viola, cello or double bass then this is the opportunity for them. Do let us know if you take it up.

### NEW! Starter String Group @Hayesfield Bath

Come and learn violin, viola, cello or  
double bass  
with your friends at low cost!

**Who:** Key Stage 2 complete beginners

**Where:** Hayesfield School, Bath

**When:** Wednesdays 5.45- 6.45pm

**Start Date:** 21st February

**Cost:** £41.50 per double term  
Free for pupil premium

Instrument hire also available

To book a space:  
<https://www.wema.org.uk/register>

For more information: 01454 863147 | [music@wema.org.uk](mailto:music@wema.org.uk)



A new Starter  
String Group for  
complete  
beginners in Key  
Stage 2 starting  
after February  
half term.

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### Beginner String Group @Warmley

Come and learn violin, viola, cello or  
double bass  
with your friends at low cost!

**Who:** Complete Beginners

**Where:** Warmley Music Centre at SBL

**When:** Saturdays 9.30-10.30am

**Cost:** £38 per double term plus  
instrument hire  
Free for pupil premium

To book a space:  
<https://www.wema.org.uk/register>

For more information: 01454 863147 | [music@wema.org.uk](mailto:music@wema.org.uk)



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For more information about learning an instrument  
at school, please [see the Music page of our website here.](#)



Bath & North East Somerset Libraries

# Gift a Coat

Donate a coat to someone who might need it to keep warm this winter.

## When can I donate?

Tuesday 2 January - Saturday 17 February 2024

## Where can I donate?

- Bath Central Library
- Bath Housing, Welfare & Advice Services

## What can I donate?

- Coats, bodywarmers, hats, scarves or gloves that are new or as new. Your donation will go to people who need warm items over the colder months.
- Warm items for adults and children
- Please hand donations to a member of staff

Warm items of clothing will be available in Bath Central Library and Bath Housing, Welfare & Advice Services until the end of February for people to take what they need.



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For more information:  
[library\\_events@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:library_events@bathnes.gov.uk)



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# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.