

# Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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**Futura**  
Learning Partnership

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## This week

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- Year 6 goodbye
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## End of year message from Mrs Sage

It is difficult to believe we are almost at the end of another school year. It's always rewarding to reflect on what we have achieved as a community and to take time to recognise everyone's contributions.



**Thank you to the PTA:** there are many reasons to thank the PTA as a whole and the individuals who make up the team. Their work and the money they raise really do make a difference to the children's daily experience. Special thanks go to longstanding members who are leaving this year: Sarah MacNaughton who has led on many events; Tanya Oliver, a graphic designer, who has supported us with all the design work for most of our events; Jody Sparey who has led on many events; Caroline Flynn who attended PTA for most of her children's time at Saltford and always volunteers at events. You have raised thousands of pounds for the school and your hard work is very much appreciated.

**PTA funds:** the PTA has raised over £23,000 this year. Thank you to all the parents, staff and supporters who have helped with events and come along to enjoy them and spend some cash. See the end of the newsletter for a visual summary of the funds raised and the super things they have been spent on.

**Staff thanks:** I thank our amazing teachers and teaching assistants who have continued to be passionate about and committed to their work. Thanks also to the wider team; our site manager, Andy Beckett, has kept the school site safe, our cleaning team managed by Charlotte have done a superb and essential job and kitchen team led by Lynne have continued their five star service, serving the children day in and day out with smiles on their faces. Our playworkers are also key to a successful and happy lunchtime for the children and we thank them for their dedication. Our office team has done a great job on keeping the school running, the communications flowing and the finances in good order. I would also like to thank the central Futura team and my Headteacher colleagues in trust schools for their support during our Ofsted inspection and on our school journey forward as we continue to take advantage of new opportunities.

**Goodbye to Y6:** we say a fond farewell to our Year 6 leavers. We have known most of them for 7 years (or more) and we are immensely proud of all of them and the way they have blossomed in that time. We wish them well in their next stages. You can read below about the special activities they have enjoyed this week and I encourage you to send them off with some applause as they take their traditional bus ride around the village on Friday evening from 6pm.

**The children:** thank you to all our fantastic children who make our lovely school what it is. You amaze and impress us on a daily basis. Children from current EYFS and Y1 classes have their kindness bags to bring home for the holiday.

**Looking forward:** all the information you need to know is in the class letters for the autumn term which are [on the website now](#). The menu for next term is also available [on the website here](#). There will be further information and reminders [on the news page of our website](#) before we return in September.

Do have a lovely summer holiday, cherish the fun and recharge the batteries!  
My very best wishes to all our families,  
Mrs Sage.

# HEADTEACHER AWARDS



## FS/KS1

**All of Bumblebee class:** for having a brilliant first year at school. You are all amazing!

**All of Butterfly class:** for having a fantastic first year at school. We are so proud of you all!

**Apple:** the whole class for being an amazing bushel of apples to teach this year! I have loved teaching each and every one of you!

**Pear:** the whole class for having such a wonderful year together and for working so hard. We are so proud of everything you have all achieved and we will miss you.

**Palm:** the whole class for being a kind, enthusiastic and hardworking class. I have absolutely loved teaching every single one of you and will miss you so much next year.

**Cherry:** the whole class for being such wonderful and creative Year 2s, you never cease to amaze me! I will miss you, good luck in Y3!

## KS2

**Sycamore:** the whole class for being such an amazing class. Best of luck in Y4!

**Maple:** the whole class for having an incredible year and being an amazing class to teach! I am so proud of all you and the progress you've made! Well Done!

**Lime:** the whole class for a super year in Lovely Lime Class! Well done and thank you Limes for being an amazing group of children!

**Willow:** the whole class for being such a very special class and fantastic learners. I am immensely proud of every single one of you. You don't have to put up with my 'Dad jokes' anymore!! Well done Willow Class!

**Team Elm class:** Wow Elms what a long way you have come since January. You've made such fantastic progress and I'm so proud of you. Teamwork makes the dream work!

**Horse chestnut:** all the class for their energy, resilience, imagination and creativity this year and for all their hard work.

**Ash and Oak classes:** the whole year for being a fun, thoughtful and one-of-a-kind group and for all your successes in this final year of Primary school. We made it! Bonus mention to the whole of year 6 for pulling together what we are sure will be an amazing Leavers' service.

## Enjoy your summer reading

What could be better than relaxing in the sunshine or under a tree with a good book? There are plenty of free books to enjoy...

In addition to the excellent [Summer Reading Challenge](#) from the libraries, do take a look at [this letter to EYFS/KS1](#) for some extra recommendations. We have also emailed all families [asking for 'Reading Rangers'](#) who could spare just half an hour to hear more children read and discuss their books. This is so important for developing the enjoyment of reading.

## KS2 orchestra

On Friday afternoon, our school orchestra performed a wonderful piece of music to their parents. All KS2 children were invited to join the orchestra for term six and have been rehearsing every Friday afternoon.

Mrs Smith (our violin teacher), kindly offered to organise the orchestra and Mrs May supported her each week. She managed to compose a special piece of music to incorporate everyone and their array of instruments. The children worked exceptionally hard to practise their individual parts and gave an amazing performance on Friday. The audience thoroughly enjoyed it. Well done to all the children who took part, and a huge thank you to Mrs Smith for her superb organisation and dedication. It is very much appreciated. Thanks also to Mrs Hayden for her work on Music for all children throughout the year.

## KS2 instrumental & singing concert

Congratulations to all the children who performed in the concert on Tuesday. You were all incredible and it was a truly wonderful evening. The concert was opened by the Year three/four choir organised by Mr George, and concluded with the Year five/six choir, run by Miss Benton. Both choirs were outstanding. Between the choirs, we were treated to an array of instrumentalists and singers who performed a wide variety of music. The standard was extremely high, and it was clear that all the children had worked very hard. I would like to thank the peripatetic teachers, Sally Baker and all the staff who kindly helped.

Thank you for being such a supportive audience, and it was clear that everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening. What a fantastic way to end the year!



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[Reading letter  
REC/KS1](#)

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## We celebrate ★

Sophie V, Esther W, Roya H & Elodie M, Elm, and Lois A, Horse Chestnut, for coming top of their group and Ashton U11's 9v9 girls football tournament winners.

Farah H, Anna P, Nyla U, Sycamore, for their medals from the Kingswood Gymnastics gym competition.

Maisie E, Elm, for her Razzamataz Inters 'Dancer of the Year' award. ★ ★

## Goodbyes

Many thanks to our teaching assistants - **Miss Simpkins** and **Miss Duda** - who have been based in Cherry Class and are moving on to new opportunities.

Thank you also to our teaching assistant based with Year Six - **Mrs Kidd** - who came out of her retirement to support us. She has run a much-appreciated craft club twice a week and she will be very much missed.

**Mrs Hamlen** has been teaching in Pear Class during Miss Davis' maternity leave - she will be teaching in different parts of the school next year and we have really enjoyed having her on the staff team.

**Mrs Arden** is also retiring from Salford Primary after a career spanning twenty-three years. Her experience and skill has benefitted so many children and I know Mr George and Miss Benton have appreciated her support during their first year of teaching. It was lovely to host a cream tea at school yesterday and meet up with previous staff who have worked at the school - Mrs Arden has touched their lives (and ours) so much. We wish her all the best in her retirement and look forward to her visiting the school in the future.



## Bright future for girls' football

This week our Y5/6 girls' team played their highly anticipated cup final match against Moorlands Junior School. Our incredible team has won every match since the knock-out rounds began in September to reach the final, from an astonishing 38 teams who started. After a frantic and thrilling match, it came down to penalties. Moorland's goalie proved to be the deciding factor and we ended the tournament as runners up. Through their disappointment the team should all be very proud of this achievement – we are. Well done team; we will remember this year with much pride and affection.

Read [Mrs Brook's match report here](#).

## New guide to parental controls

We have just published on our website a brand new guide for parents to setting up parental controls and privacy options to provide your child with a safer online environment. Please protect your child and take a look: [Parental Controls 2023](#).

## Goodbye and good luck to our Year 6 leavers Keep in touch!

To mark their time at school, Y6 have been preparing for their leavers' service. They have spent the past few weeks writing memories of the past seven years at the school, thinking about the teachers they have had, the trips they have been on and the amazing array of events they have had while at the school. They have thought hard about how the experiences they have been through have shaped their time at Saltford, and how much a part of their life Saltford has become.

It is always a privilege to teach Year 6 during their final year, as we feel you see them at their most mature. They have reflected on the interruption to their education through covid, still showing amazing resilience. We have all been impressed with how hard they have worked throughout their time here; showing an amazing resilient attitude during SAT week, and they have done everything possible to get themselves ready to start on the next stage of their lives at secondary school. We have loved seeing the fun you have had with each other and the way that you have grabbed every opportunity that was going; a brilliant attitude to have, your secondary schools will be very lucky to be getting you! We would also like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful parents, who have supported them through the challenging times of covid, and their support to the school has been valuable over the years. Please make sure you drop by and see us soon, it would be lovely to see you at Christmas and summer fairs, so we can find out how you are getting on.  
Good luck everyone!

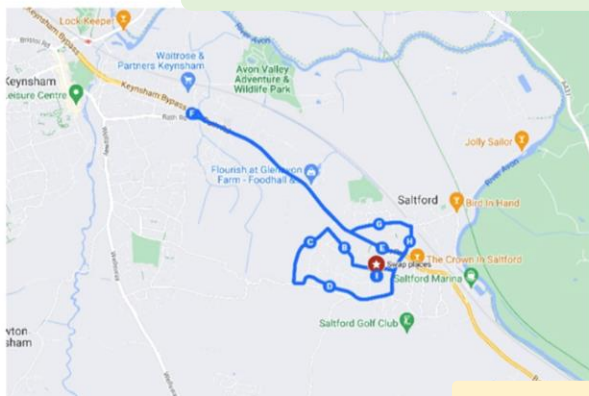
### Thank you

Thanks to all the staff who have supported these amazing children during their year 6, particularly Mr Godwin, Mr Styles, Mrs Hathaway, Mrs Kidd and Mrs Bleakley.

### Yr 6 leavers bus route

Directions from Saltford C of E Primary School to Saltford C of E Primary School

- 1 Saltford C of E Primary School
- 2 Claverton Road West, Saltford, Bristol
- 3 Grange Road, Saltford, Bristol
- 4 Montague Road, Saltford, Bristol
- 5 454 Bath Rd, Saltford, Bristol BS31 3DJ, UK
- 6 Broadmead Roundabout, Keynsham, Bristol
- 7 Norman Road, Saltford, Bristol
- 8 Beech Road, Saltford, Bristol
- 9 Saltford C of E Primary School



### Please come out to cheer them on

Tomorrow evening, Y6 will be celebrating their end of primary school with a leavers party at Saltford Golf Club. The children will all be travelling to the party together on an open top bus. They would love to be able to wave to lots of you on their route, and hear your appreciation, please do share with your friends and family this map and times. You can also find it on [the PTA facebook page](#).

The bus leaves the Claverton Road front gates at 6pm prompt and will do a second loop of the route again about 6.20pm, so there will be two opportunities to see the children go past and give them a wave.

### Y6 sports stars of the year

Y6 has voted for our Sports Star of the Year. Those who wished to be nominated made speeches to say why they felt it should be them. They all focused on the huge array of sporting opportunities that they have been lucky enough to take part in during their time at the school and what it means to them to participate in competition. Congratulations to Y6 for making it so difficult to vote for a winner. After listening to the speeches, the children voted for Erin B in NS and Souad R in JG. Thank you to Mrs Brook for organising this and for all you have done to encourage sport and competition at the school, you are an inspiration to so many children!



## Dates for your diary



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

[Click here for term dates](#)

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 9.15am:** Y6 leavers' service  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 6pm:** Y6 leavers' disco  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July:** end of term 6

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July:** [Bee Bold event from B&NES](#) in the play park behind school  
 2.30pm – 4.30pm

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July:** [Holiday basketball club](#) with Matt Analts

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July & Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August:** [Up & Under Multisports](#) activity programme.

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August:** [theatre arts summer school](#) with Jo Browne & Lucy Ratnett.

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September:** INSET day  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September:** term 1 starts for children.

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept 7.30pm:** PTA meeting.  
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept from 5pm:** circus comes to school.

For term dates 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](#).

# School Snapshot





★ WE HAVE SOME BIG ★  
**SHOES TO FILL!**



**WE NEED YOU!**

**SALTFORD C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Is Looking for  
**Volunteers**  
**For the PTA**

**Please join us at an information meeting**

**MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER**

**7:30pm in the staff room**

# Explore the USA with LEGO bricks! [INFO ONLINE HERE](#)

**22 July – 31 December**

Coming soon to Bath – *Brick America: An Adventure in LEGO® Bricks* – an off-the-scale, super-fun, creative exhibition, celebrating favourite icons from across the USA and inviting you all to build and play.

Come and discover famous buildings, cityscapes and vehicles, plus models inspired by movies, history, NASA, iconic people and much more, with many models and mosaics built specially for the American Museum & Gardens by LEGO

artist Warren Elsmore and his team. There are 40 LEGO brick models to get inspired by, including a large replica of Claverton Manor, the Museum's home.



But the awesome adventure doesn't stop there! *Brick America* features:

- Exciting build stations and a chance for visitor creations to be a part of the Brick America Hall of Fame gallery
- A LEGO bricks graffiti wall
- Activities to download to take home

From little builders to serious LEGO experts, everyone is sure to love *Brick America*.

## The Big Build

**22–24 July**

*Brick America* is launching with a 3-day, Big Build event! You are invited to work alongside LEGO artist, Warren Elsmore, and his team, to create a giant model of the Hollywood Sign, in celebration of its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year.

The Big Build event will be run 10.30am–4.30pm on 22nd, 23rd, 24th July and will be a drop-in activity (no need to pre-book a slot). Visitors can create a large LEGO brick out of smaller bricks and Warren's team will then assemble them to create the sign.



# SUPERSONIC BRICK DAY!

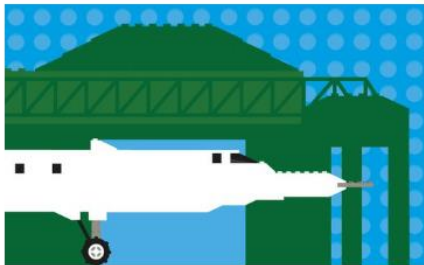
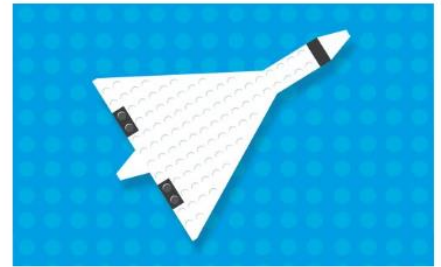
A huge new LEGO® brick event is coming to Aerospace Bristol on Saturday 15th July 2023.

As well as stepping aboard Concorde and enjoying everything else the museum has to offer, Supersonic Brick Day is your chance to explore 3 zones of incredible LEGO® displays and get hands-on with interactive activities - from LEGO® graffiti walls to car building, flower building, and even robot wars.

If you already have a valid Aerospace Bristol ticket, you can guarantee entry to the Supersonic Brick Day by booking a free Return Visitor pass at checkout.

We expect Supersonic Brick Day to be popular, so advance booking is highly recommended.

Book now to guarantee entry to Supersonic Brick Day and enjoy a whole year of free return visits to Aerospace Bristol.



- Discover trains and remote control cars in the Wheels in Motion Zone.
- Explore architecture and construct your own buildings in the Architecture Zone.
- Then check out some amazing LEGO® artworks and help to create mini LEGO® mosaics in the Art Zone.

And remember - Aerospace Bristol tickets include free return visits for a whole year after they are first used!

## [INFO AND BOOKING HERE](#)

### 50 days of summer at Avon Valley

The Avon Valley summer season, *50 Days of Summer*, takes place between 8 July -27 August.

*50 Days of Summer* at Avon Valley Park is the perfect day out for families and will include activities such as a sand and water play area, a giant slip 'n' slide (from July 22) and the return of the ever-popular foam parties. Visitors can see Avon Valley's resident farm animals, alongside a huge array of entertainment and activities.

Avon Valley is also offering a special Boomerang ticket which allows families to save money the more times they come back. With 20+ activities taking place, the Boomerang ticket families to experience it all throughout the whole summer, with no two visits the same.

More information on 50 days of summer can be found here:

<https://avonvalley.co.uk/events/summer-season/>



**£20**  
PER PLAYER

# SUMMER RUGBY CAMP

**AGE RANGE: 7-14 YEARS**  
**10AM - 2.30PM**



**MELKSHAM RFC**  
**2ND AUGUST**



**COMBE DOWN RFC**  
**9TH AUGUST**



**WALCOT RFC**  
**16TH AUGUST**



**MELKSHAM RFC**  
**23RD AUGUST**

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## Folk Music Workshop

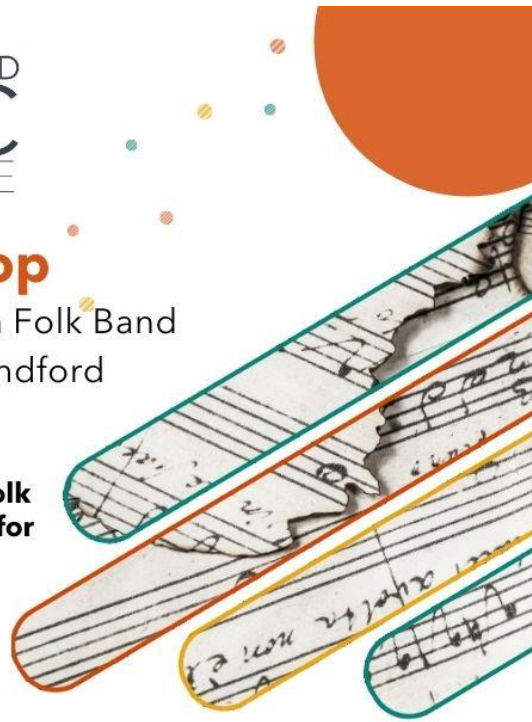
A Sunday Session with Bath Youth Folk Band  
tutors Rachel Barrett and John Sandford

**This session is open to all players of 'C' instruments and percussionists. An opportunity to try your hand at playing folk music if it is new to you but also suitable for existing folk players.**

**Where:** St John's RC Primary, Bath

**When:** Sunday 16th July, 1.30pm - 4.30pm

**Course fee:** £10 / free for students on FSM



Sign up here:  
<https://bit.ly/3Jgc7FO>



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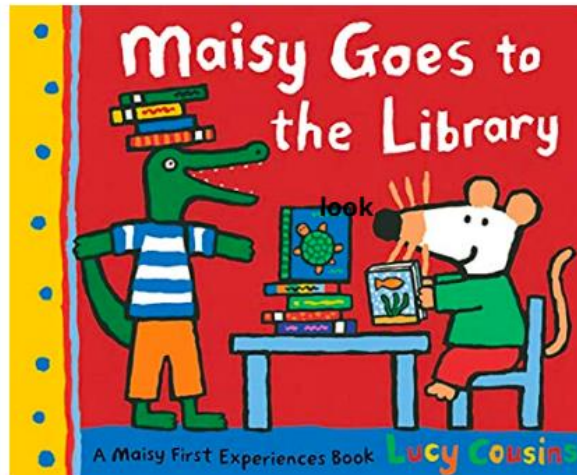


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# ★ SUMMER HOLIDAYS ★

## MULTI-SPORTS CAMPS

AT KEYNSHAM CRICKET CLUB



Week 1 - Mon 24th - Fri 28th July  
Week 2 - Mon 31st July - Thu 3rd Aug  
Week 3 - Tue 15th - Fri 18th Aug  
**9.00am-3.30pm**

- Welcome to all
- Ages 5-12
- Varied multi-sports/activities
- Inclusive & friendly
- Low child:coach Ratios
- Learn new skills
- Meet new friends
- HAVE FUN!

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**SUMMER CAMPS!**

# SPOTTERS HOCKEY

BATH, SOMERSET

# 2023



**NEW DATES ANNOUNCED!**

**MAIN CAMP AGES 7-16** 25 & 26 JULY, 14 & 15 AUGUST

PERFORMANCE CAMP AGES 12-16, DEVELOPERS AND PERFORMERS AGES 11-12, BEGINNERS, IMPROVERS AGES 7-10

[BOOK HERE FOR MAIN CAMP](#)

**HPC AGES 14-18** 16 AUGUST

RECOGNISED REFERRAL ROUTE FOR EHB TA; WORK AT STRETCH, FUEL YOUR AMBITION TO PROGRESS



[BOOK HERE FOR HPC](#)



## SUMMER PERFORMANCE ACADEMY

15 MAY - 29 JUNE YEARS 5-7 AND 8-9

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FAMILY DAY



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19TH - 28TH AUGUST 2023

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BATH 2023