

Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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This week

- Summer Fair
- PTA meeting
- Feedback survey
- Holiday fun days
- New Reception
- Y6 camp

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

A few words from Mrs Sage...



I cannot thank enough the PTA and all the parent and staff helpers for the successful summer fair on Saturday. It raised an amazing £9,600 for school funds but, more than that, it was a great family afternoon that was clearly enjoyed by children and grown-ups alike. What a pleasure to see so many smiling faces. My particular and grateful thanks go to Craig Kinnear for leading the team, Ciara Molloy for her organisational skills, Clare Harding for sourcing the generous raffle prizes, Sarah Rees-Leonard who secured corporate sponsors, Karen Brookes-Lovell for all the great entertainment and, of course, the rest of the PTA for their months of planning to make this fair such a success! Thanks to them, we will be able to fund a new kitchen area in the Badger Room, fully fitted with appliances where groups can cook as part of their DT. There is a huge amount of work that goes on behind the scenes, and more support will always be appreciated. If you fancy joining the team and influencing where the fundraising is invested then please do come along to the next meeting.

PTA meeting: this is in the staffroom at 7.30pm on Monday. Everyone is welcome.

Parent/carer survey: all parents have been sent a letter asking for your feedback via [the annual online parent survey](#). We very much value your opinion because it can help improve our offer. We would be grateful for your responses by 15th July.

Summer holiday activities: we are pleased to let you know that Matt Analts will be running a series of multi-sport fun days during the summer holidays, based on our site here at school. All the details have been sent to parents [in this letter](#).

New Reception: it has been a pleasure to welcome the children and parents who will be joining us in Reception in September for our stay and play sessions this week. We are also looking forward to the welcome meeting for parents tonight where we can begin getting to know our new families and their children.

Y6 camp: it has been great to hear that Y6 are having a lovely camp. I hope you have been able to follow some of their exploits [on our X \(Twitter\) account here](#). Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Sage.

STAR PUPIL AWARDS

KS1

Bumblebee: Harper W for beautiful, neat writing in her journal.

Butterfly: Teddy K for working so hard on finding odd and even numbers. You always concentrate so well Teddy!

Apple: Rohan S for settling in so well to Saltford School.

Pear: Stanley K for always being super polite and having lovely manners in and out of the classroom.

Palm: Bethan W for fantastic watercolour painting taking inspiration from Henri Matisse. Well done!

Cherry: Layla B for fantastic work on her times tables! Well done Layla!

KS2

Sycamore: Scarlett H for a brilliant drawing of the Parthenon in Art, using different shading styles. Great work, Scarlett!

Maple: Clara D for her perseverance and resilience during assessment week. Well done, Clara!

Lime: Rowan H for always trying his best and being such a positive, helpful member of the class.

Willow: Alice P for excellent identification of 'homophones' in English. Well done Alice!

Elm: Elliott S for a great effort to focus and work with such a positive attitude in school.

Horse chestnut: Amelie H for taking more control of her writing by adding sophisticated features such as parenthesis and adverbials to her descriptive writing. Her description of the setting of our book study this term was wonderful.

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We celebrate

Vincent C, Palm, for his trophy for an U8's football tournament.

Idris K, Bumblebees, for his 'Gymnast of the Day' award.

Great Olympic Bake-off winners

Congratulations and thank you to everyone who entered a bake into the competition for the summer fair.

Mrs Sage awarded the certificates and prizes at the fair to the winners and runners up. They are:

Reception (biscuits) Teddy O and Zoe A

Year 1 & 2 (cupcakes) Marlowe D and Bear J

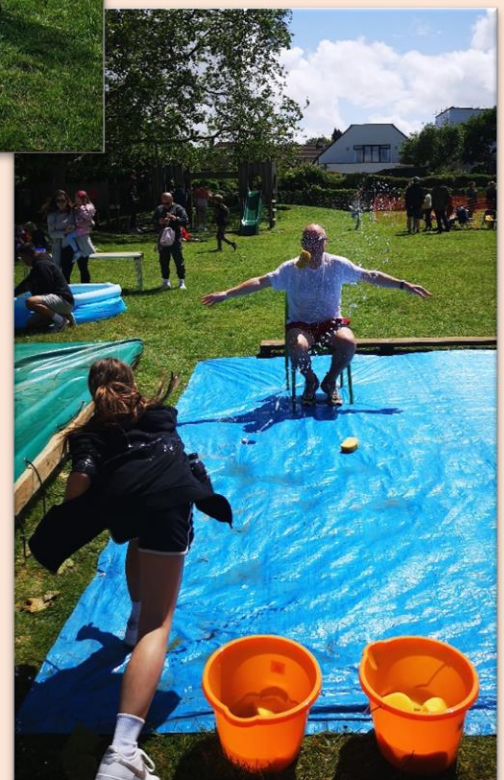
Year 3 & 4 (tray bakes) Ella E and Noah H

Year 5 & 6 (celebration cake/showstopper) Henry W-G and Jess T.

The overall winner was Henry W-G with his showstopper. Well done.



All the fun of the fair in pictures



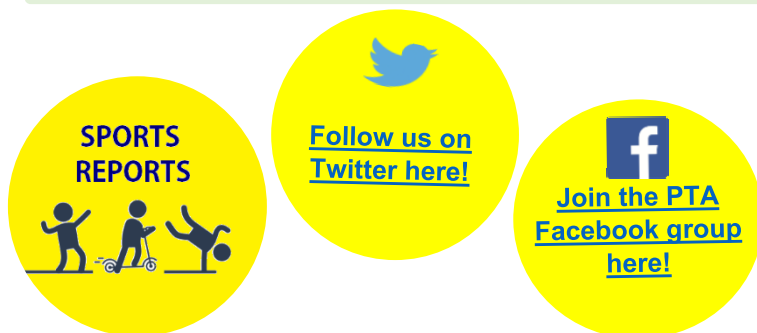
Year 5 recycling workshop

On Friday 7th June Elm and Horse Chestnut Year 5 classes were invited to take part in a special workshop at Keynsham Recycling Centre. During the workshop, the children discovered what and how items are recycled in Bath and North-East Somerset. Following this fun activity, the children were challenged to reuse waste to create new items. The children used their incredible imaginations to make everything from robots to insects and jewellery to catapults. We had a wonderful time learning and being creative.

Thank you to Mr Boyle and Mrs Hamlen for this opportunity for the children.

EYFS and KS1 summer concert

This will take place on Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th July in the school hall at 9am. There is an allocation of 2 tickets per family in these year groups. Tickets will be available after school, from the youngest child's class teacher, from Monday 24th June.



Year 6 preparing to move on

Last Thursday Year 6 took part in the Bath and Wells "Moving Up" celebration at Bath Abbey. This was an event for Y6 children from Church schools within the Bath and Wells Diocese allowing time to come together and celebrate their time at Primary School and think about the next stage of their education and the things that matter to them. They were able to take part in songs, discussions and prayers, coming together as Year 6 children, all facing their own thoughts and feelings about this significant time in their lives. The children behaved very well and were a credit to the school.

We are very grateful to the Diocese for organising this event and the Year 6 staff who attended.

Online safety newsletter June

June's issue of the online safety newsletter for parents is [available on our website here](#) for you to read.

Would you like to win back time for yourself and your children?

The Saltford Parent Group for a smartphone-free childhood has put together a list of top ten hacks you might find useful in protecting your own mental health and well-being as parents. How many times do you end up feeling stressed when scrolling and being constantly pinged at, feeling that you should respond immediately? Within the Saltford Smartphone Free Childhood group we have all certainly started to look at our relationships with our phones since learning more and many of are trying to do something to reduce our screen time. We feel this not only protects our own mental health but sets a more positive example for our children.

One of our parents, Andy Marchesi, is a Personal Development Coach and Therapist. He has offered ten hacks you might consider that are tried and tested. See the top three below and read more on [the well-being section of our website here](#).

1. Set your phone screen to turn on to 'Night Shift' mode automatically between 9pm – 8am as a reminder not to look at it between those hours unless necessary.
2. Consider, like me, putting all social media apps in separate folder called 'Regret' to help steer you away from them. You could also remove the apps from your home-screen so you have to work through a few more clicks to access them – this can reduce the ease of a quick click and scroll pretty successfully.
3. Turn all news feed and social media platform notifications off and consider scheduling notifications at certain times in the day for other apps.

Assembly on volunteering for KS2

KS2 enjoyed a very interesting assembly today about volunteering, led by Mrs Hamlen.

Helen Ker-Bridges came in to talk to the children about [the Marmalade Trust](#) which is a Bristol-based charity that works to raise awareness of loneliness and to combat it by providing the tools for people to make new connections.

We hope to be able to support their work in the next school year through some activities with the children such as making cards and bookmarks.

Thank you to Mrs Ker-Bridges and Mrs Hamlen for this thought-provoking and interesting assembly.



See all dates
on our online
calendar for parents
here!

Dates for your diary

[Click here for term dates](#)



Thursday 20th June: [Y3 visit to Bristol Museum.](#)

Thursday 20th June 5pm: welcome meeting for new Reception parents.

Monday 24th June 7.30pm: PTA meeting (rescheduled) in staff room. All welcome.

Wednesday 26th June: [Y4 Forest School](#)

Thursday 27th June: [Reception trip on The Matthew.](#)

Monday 1st July 5pm: meeting for parents for new Y3 class.

Wednesday 3rd July: [Y5 Forest School](#)

Thursday 4th July afternoon: children meet their new teacher.

Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th July 9am: FS/KS1 summer concert in school hall.

Monday 8th July: INSET Day

Tuesday 9th July: annual reports sent home.

Wednesday 10th July: [Y2 Forest School](#)

Thursday 11th July: [KS2 singing & instrumental concert 7pm in school hall.](#)

Thursday 18th July: booking deadline for [Matt Analts summer holiday sports fun days.](#)

Tuesday 23rd July: Year 6 leavers' service, letter to follow.

Tuesday 23rd July: last day of term 6.

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

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

Matt Analts Summer Holiday Multi Sport Fun Days at Saltford School

This camp will include a variety of Sports, Basketball, Football, Tennis, Dodgeball, Hockey, Rounders and many more! The days will be aimed at all abilities and work on improving all skills, throwing, catching, kicking, striking, hand eye Co-ordination. Learning different games and have an enormous amount of fun! There will be plenty of competitions and prizes to be won!!

The days are open for all pupils currently in Year 2-6
Venue – Saltford Primary Playground
Dates – Monday 29th July – Friday 2nd August 9-3pm.
Cost - £30 per day or £140 for all 5 days. Mornings 9-12pm and Afternoons 12-3pm available at £15 per session.

Participant Equipment Required – Packed Lunch / Water Bottle (Refillable on-site), A cap/sunhat, a light rain jacket, comfortable trainers. All Equipment will be provided.

Typical Breakdown of a day -
8.50 – 9.10am Registration, 9.10 – Warm up games, 9.30 – First Sport, 10.30- Break, 10.45 - Gameplay 11.50 – Lunch, 12.10 Fun games, 12.40 – Second Sport 2pm – Water Break, 2.05pm – Gameplay, 2.55pm – Cool Down. (Sports will be decided on each day once Weather/Playing Surfaces have been assessed).

Please use [the booking form and payment information on this letter to parents here](#)

Please return the slip to the school office along with payment by 18th July 2024.

Theatre Arts Summer School with Jo Browne

Bookings are now open for this fun week for children aged 4 – 18. Children's theatre arts professionals, Lucy Ratnett, Jo Browne & Dan Winter, offer classes in drama, dance, singing, craft and prop making culminating in a fully costumed show performed on the big stage for family and friends to enjoy. Book now to be part of our 22nd season as places are limited! We run from 12th – 16th August at Saltford Hall.

Email Lucyratnettdance@live.com for further info & booking.

Fussy Eating

Free online workshop



Join
us!

Fed up with
stressful
mealtimes?
We're here
to help...



**As parents we want our children to eat well
– and to enjoy mealtimes together**

Come along and get support and new ideas for:

- How to encourage your child to try new foods - and begin to enjoy them!
- Child-friendly foods that provide what they need to grow and be healthy
- Happier family mealtimes

Event details:

Tues 25th June
7:45-9:15pm, online
Book here:
www.wellbeing-courses.co.uk
OR
Contact the Community
Wellbeing Hub
0300 247 0050 or email
bathnes.thehub@



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DATES: 25th, 26th July, 1st, 2nd, 8th, 9th, 15th, 16th, 22nd, 23rd August

TIMES: 10am until 2pm

VENUE: Camp entrance is next to 129 Forest Road, Fishponds, BS16 3ST

AGES: 6 to 14 years

PRICE: **Early-bird:** £20 + 10% off using 'SUMMER10' (Ends 10am, 1st July)

Standard Price: £25 from 10am on 1st of July

Early Drop-off (9am): £5

TO BOOK:

Please head to our website absportscoaching.com and select 'Sports Camps'. Alternatively please scan the QR code or follow this link to be taken directly to the booking page -

<https://bookwhen.com/absportscoaching>



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LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c
24 June

Bath Central Library

Storytime

Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00am 25 June

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00am 26 June

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

Thursday 10.00 - 12.00pm 27 June

Norland Nannies Community Sewing Bee

Friday 10.00 - 12.00pm 28 June

Board Game Saturdays

Saturday 12.30 - 4.00pm 29 June

Art in the Library: Ian Harris Photographer

Mon - Sat During opening hours 5 - 28 June

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

For any ticketed events, the link will be online via the blog.
Visit baneslibraries.co.uk/events



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Midsomer Norton Library

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

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Childhood is too short to be spent on a smartphone...

If you agree or would like to find out more about a Smartphone Free Childhood, join the **Salford School WhatsApp Group** - simply scan the QR code below.



Smartphone Free Childhood is a parent-led movement on a mission to protect millions of children from the dangers of using smartphones too young. Visit the full website for all the details: www.smartphonefreechildhood.com



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WHATS ON FOR 2024

- GRAFFITI AREA
- ARTS AND CRAFTS
- GAMES AREA
- PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES
- FOOD AND DRINK BY FLOURISH
- PICNIC PODS

9-11 & 16-26 AUG



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<https://saltfordfootballclub.com/teams/Under-10>

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2024 Camps

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February 13th - 15th

April 2nd - 5th

May 28th - 30th

July 29th - August 1st

August 6th - 9th

August 12th - 15th

St Gregory's RC School Combe
Hay Lane, Bath, BA2 8PA

October 28th - 30th

St Mark's School, Bay Tree
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