

# Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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**Futura**  
Learning Partnership

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## This week

- Y4 camp
- Swimming
- Bibles Y3
- Theatrical summer school
- Quiz & disco

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

## A few words from Mrs Sage...

Into the second week, this is already proving to be a busy term with lots of exciting things happening. There are many trips and visits going on, some sporting, some artistic, some cultural.

**Y4 camp:** it was clear what a great time the children had had last week on camp. Many thanks to Mrs Holdaway for her admin support and Mr Jenkins and the rest of the staff involved for all the work that goes into making the camp so enjoyable for them. I hope you enjoy the full report and photos below.

**Swimming news:** it is fantastic news that the children will be able to get back to swimming on site in term 6. Please make sure you have completed the online form to give us information about your child's swimming ability. The final **deadline for this is midday tomorrow**. After that time your child may not be placed in the appropriate group. Please use the following links: [EYFS/KS1 here](#) or [KS2 here](#).

**Bible presentation:** I would like to thank Mr Bayliss and Churches Together for presenting Year 3 with their personalised Bibles this week. This was done in class along with some thoughtful activities.

**Theatre arts summer school:** once again Mrs Browne will be joined by Lucy Ratnett and Dan Winter to run the Saltford Theatre Arts summer school during the summer holidays. Please see below for more information and how to book.

**PTA quiz night and disco:** we are looking forward to the chance to let our hair down on Friday at the 'Back to the 90s' quiz and disco. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at the bar (where I'll be helping out!).

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Sage.



## STAR PUPIL AWARDS

### KS1

**Bumblebee:** Xander L for incredible aim and throwing technique in PE.

**Butterfly:** Louis C for working so hard on forming your letters correctly in your writing. I loved reading your writing about what you would take into space!

**Apple:** Isla B for thinking carefully about the people that are important to her in PSHE and drawing a lovely picture of them.

**Pear:** Ella F for being so helpful around the classroom and working so hard on every task. Superstar!

**Palm:** Bethany C for super sentences using commas in a list! Well done Bethany!

**Cherry:** Harrison T for fantastic sentences using commas in a list! Well done Harrison.

### KS2

**Sycamore:** Zayn U for fantastic work when finding equivalent fractions. Great job Zayn!

**Maple:** Abbie J for writing a creative and imaginative recount using first person! Well done Abbie!

**Whole of Lime class:** for excellent behaviour on Camp and for being team players and looking after each other so well. They were a pleasure to take. Well done Lime Class!

**Whole of Willow class:** for excellent behaviour on Camp and for being team players and looking after each other so well. They were a pleasure to take. Well done Willow Class!

**Elm:** Phoebe C for having a really positive attitude and trying so hard in lessons, especially in Maths.

**Horse chestnut:** Grace K for starting term 5 with a really positive mindset. Grace helped with lots of admin jobs and volunteered to collect work and tidy the classroom. Wonderful, Grace.

**Ash:** Rory W for a brilliant diary entry about our class book.

**Oak:** Esther W for showing excellent understanding of calculating missing angles in a variety of problem-solving contexts.



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## We celebrate



**Ada F**, Palm, for earning a Blue Peter badge for her gladiator biscuits

**Jessica H**, Palm, for earning a Blue Peter badge for her review and artwork the books she has been enjoying.

**Lily T**, Palm, for raising £14.00 for the Jessie May Children's Hospice at Home and being recognised with a certificate.

**Emily B**, Palm, for being named 'Gymnast of the Day'.

**Bella O**, Palm, for achieving Learn to Swim Level 3 from Swim England

**Harlow R**, Bumblebees, for a Level 2 gymnastics medal.

**Kate P**, Apple, for a Level 4 gymnastics medal.

**Arthur B**, Pear, for achieving Learn to Swim England Level 2.

## Snack reminder



We ask parents to please make sure that your children are not bringing unsuitable items for their lunches or playtime snacks. The products pictured are essentially pure liquid syrup and are therefore not at all in line with our healthy eating expectations. Children who are found with these will be asked to take them home. Please see our guidance in the [School notices section of our website](#) under 'Snacks'.

## Amazing cup run for Y6

We are so proud of our year 6 girls' team who were knocked out of the football cup competition this week. We travelled to play Weston All Saints Primary School (WASPS) after school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April to play in a very competitive match. Without our goalkeeper (who is still injured) we knew from the beginning that this was going to be a tough match so the game was played in quarters to allow us to rotate a player in goal. The first quarter, we lost 2-0 but then we improved as the next two quarters were both 1-0 to WASPS. We were delighted in the last quarter as we finished the game with a clean sheet! The final result did not reflect the many chances Salford created throughout the whole match. The girls played some wonderful, creative football and had many shots on goal but unfortunately their goalkeeper was well drilled and rehearsed and saved every chance we created. Nevertheless our girls should all be extremely proud of themselves for their fantastic cup run this year. Mrs Brook says "They have been an absolute pleasure to accompany and I have loved being part of their football journey."

## Eco Week 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> May

From 13-17 May, we will be holding an 'Eco-Week', with an emphasis on the outdoor environment and sustainability. This will culminate in the Primary Futura Eco-Summit, which will take place on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May, where all Primaries across the Trust will carry out eco-activities and have the opportunity to share what they've done. Our EYFS and KS1 children will have the opportunity to enjoy a carbon neutral, plant based, no single-use plastic school lunch on the Friday. We encourage you to think about the same guidelines for packed lunches also. For KS2, this day coincides with [our Ascension Day walk](#) which will include some eco-themes this year. We encourage our KS2 children to bring an environmentally friendly packed lunch to enjoy at the top of the hill! During the week, there will be a House afternoon (Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May), which will include eco-friendly outdoor activities, as well as other eco-friendly lessons across the school. Green Team will share some information about Energy Sparks – an organisation that supports us to use energy in school more efficiently.

We would also like to encourage the children to think about nature at home and invite them to take part in the Futura Eco Summit Habitat Competition – to create habitats in gardens or on windowsills. See the poster on the right for details and ideas. We look forward to seeing how creative they can be! Send your photos and descriptions to Mrs Spicer by Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May by emailing [enquiries@saltfordschool.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@saltfordschool.org.uk).



**FUTURA ECO-SUMMIT**   
**HABITAT**  
**COMPETITION!**

Create a habitat for wildlife in your garden!



**CREATE**  
Create a space in your garden for nature.

**IDEAS**  
Bug hotels, bird boxes, hedgehog boxes, butterfly zones, pond in a pot...

**SHARE IT WITH US!**  
Take a photo of your habitat and write a short description of what you've done.

**YOU COULD WIN!**  
Wildlife spotting kit!  
GOOD LUCK!

Send your photos and descriptions to [enquiries@saltfordschool.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@saltfordschool.org.uk) FAO Mrs Spicer by Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May

## KS2 Ascension Day walk Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Parents of KS2 children have been sent [this letter with details of this year's walk](#) up Kelston Hill to celebrate Ascension Day. Please do sign up to help if you can. Click here to access the sign-up links we sent in the letter. It is usually a lovely chance for everyone in KS2 to mix and mingle, children, staff and helpers alike.

Please remember to cancel your school dinner for that day, if you have booked one, before 12 noon on the Thursday before.



## Wonder Dome

Bumblebees and Butterflies had a very special visit from the 'Wonder Dome' this week. We learnt lots of about each planet, the international space station and the moon landing. What an amazing experience! The children loved it and so did the teachers!

Thank you to Miss Hansford for organising this super opportunity for the children.



## Y6 netball team victorious

On Tuesday, Year 6 girls played in the quarter finals league Hi 5 netball match against St John's. It was a lovely afternoon where both teams enjoyed and showed great attitude during the game. After 4 quarters of play, Salford girls won 8-5. Well done to all that played and for the parents who supported them. Thank you to Mrs Hathaway for managing the team.

## Year 4 camp

On 18th - 19th April Year 4 had an overnight stay at Barton Camp, Winscombe in Somerset. On the Thursday the children walked up Crook Peak where they had their lunch and in the afternoon spent time back at the camp in the outdoor swimming pool and enjoying the outdoor adventure playground, indoor sports hall and the outdoor football pitch. In the evening the children sang songs around a camp fire and watched a film together. On the Friday, after a good breakfast the children went to Puxton Park where they learned more about farm animals, enjoyed a tractor trailer ride, met some exotic animals (including a Boa Constrictor) and fed the Meerkats. They then visited the indoor and outdoor adventure playground. The children really enjoyed their time together and were ready for a quiet weekend on their return! Thank you to all the staff who created this super experience.





## Swimming

We are delighted to confirm that swimming lessons will re-start in term 6. As well as being an important life skill (especially in a village close to the river), it is an educational activity and part of the national curriculum. Attendance is important and we would only consider withdrawal from swimming on medical grounds.

So that we are ready for lessons to re-start smoothly, [we have sent all parents this letter](#) with links to sign-up sheets for helping at lessons. It also contains details of how to volunteer and the steps we must take to ensure our volunteers hold a valid DBS with the school. Please [see the links in the letter](#) and sign up where you can. We really appreciate the support that you give to make swimming on site so convenient.

You can also [check the swimming timetable for the entire term here](#).

We also need to ask for your support in funding the swimming lessons. At £3.00 per lesson, we feel this is very good value and we have outlined in our letter how you can make your contribution through MCAS. Of course, any extra donations are also much appreciated.

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> August at Saltford Hall.

Email [Lucyratnettdance@live.com](mailto:Lucyratnettdance@live.com) for further info &

## Crafty Corner plea for supplies

This area is proving so popular with the children that we would like to ask for donations of any craft items that you no longer need. We'd be very grateful for any items such as pens, pencils, card, paper, colouring books or stickers.

Please drop them off in the box outside the office. Thank you.

## Y3 Multi-Activity visit to Wellsway

Year 3 were invited to take part in a Multi-Activity Sports Festival at Wellsway School this week. They did exceptionally well in all the activities they took part in, and lovely afternoon of sport was had by all.

Many thanks to Wellsway School for hosting, to Mr George, Miss Benton, the TAs and parent volunteers that walked them to and from Wellsway, and Mrs Brook for organising.



## Easter trail

Thank you so much for all who took part and helped with the Salford School PTA easter trail, we raised £120. Families that took part had lots of fun and we brightened up the village with lots of lovely artwork from all the pupils at Salford school which lots of people in the community have seen and enjoyed. Special thanks to Mrs Hardy and her class team who helped coordinate such lovely spring art produced by each class. Thank you to Amy from the PTA for leading on organising this trail and to Sarah for leading on the Egglympics competition. Both were enjoyed enormously.



See all dates on  
our online  
calendar for  
parents here!

## Dates for your diary

[Click here for term dates](#)



**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April:** PTA quiz and disco night for the grown-ups.

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 7pm:** Parent Voice Group meeting over Zoom

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May:** [Reception cake sale. Plus PTA uniform sale and book swap.](#)

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May:** class photographs.

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** **KS2 SATS week.**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May:** deadline for entries for the habitat competition.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May:** census day with special school lunch menu.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May:** [4.15pm Y6 health education meeting and 5pm camp meeting.](#)

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May:** [Ascension Day walk for KS2.](#)

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2.45pm:** access afternoons.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May:** sports day FS/KS1 morning and KS2 afternoon.

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May:** last day of term 5.

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May:** INSET day.

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June:** first day of term 6.

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June:** Y6 Bikeability.

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June:** [Y5 cake sale. Plus PTA uniform sale and book swap.](#) Last sale of the school year.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June:** Y6 camp in Okehampton.

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm:** PTA meeting in staffroom. All welcome.

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June:** Y6 Bikeability.

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June:** PTA summer fair 12 – 3pm

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June:** Y3 visit to Bristol Museum. Letter to follow.

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June:** Reception trip on The Matthew. Letter to follow.

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.](#)



In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

## Online Safety Information Session

**Current trends** – what children are doing online and what apps/games are popular amongst children.

**Understanding the Risks** – a look at the risks associated with using technology, in particular when using social media, online gaming & live streaming.

**What can you do?** – suggestions on how you can support your child with their online lives and what parental controls are available to help you.

**Further Support** – signposting to services that are available to help you.

### Parent/Carer information session

Wednesday 8th May 2024 – 4pm – 4.45pm

This session is available on a termly basis. The sessions are repeated termly to provide multiple opportunities for parents to attend but parents only need to attend one as content will be fairly similar (just updated as and when required).

Look out for the link in next week's newsletter from Mrs White.

WEDNESDAY  
8TH MAY  
2024

4PM – 4.45PM



## MAY HALF TERM 2024 28TH - 31ST MAY

### ACTIVITIES THEY'LL LOVE!



LEGO ANIMATION



MINECRAFT CODING



3D PENS



CIRCUITRY



SMART ROBOTICS



LAZER TAG



VR



ENGINEERING EXPERIMENTS

#### What to bring to camp?



Packed Lunch and Snacks NOT FREE



Water Bottle



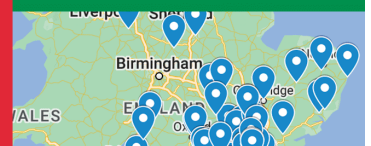
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Weather Appropriate Clothing

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This takes place at cricket clubs around the country. It is a fantastic introduction to the game and is open to 5-8 year old boys and girls. Over 14,000 children in Somerset have been part of All Stars since it began in 2017, and there are already over 1,500 children signed up to take part this summer at one of over 60 centres/clubs across the county.

Along with 8 weeks of cricket, participants also get a personalised shirt.





# Yoga & Art Holiday Club



Be calm and creative at our  
holiday club!



**Thursday 30th May**  
**10-3pm**

**6 - 11 years**  
**Saltford Hall**

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for more details.



Dynamos Cricket is back: [www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamoscricket](http://www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamoscricket).

Dynamos is for girls and boys from 8-11 years old. There are 41 centres/clubs across Somerset running it this summer, including girls-only ones and there are already nearly 700 children signed up.

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# **SALTFORD STARS U10'S**

**Going up to U11's in September**

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WANTED**

**TRAINING ON TUESDAY EVENINGS  
BOOK IN FOR A FREE TRIAL SESSION**

**More Information:**

**Call Dan on 07501878483**

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



GET  
SPORTED

BATH

Ages 5-12

# 2024 Camps

Multi-Sports & Cricket

*Coaching Sport - Building Character*

February 13th - 15th

April 2nd - 5th

May 28th - 30th

July 29th - August 1st

August 6th - 9th

August 12th - 15th

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