



Dear Parents/Carers,

This week in school

We have enjoyed celebrating Anti-Bullying week which began with a day wearing odd socks! Through our assemblies, PSHE lessons and additional activities we've helped pupils understand what bullying is, the impact it can have on other people and what we should do if we see it happening. Today our School Council met to review our child friendly anti-bullying policy, this will be circulated very soon and on display around school as a reminder to all children. On Wednesday our Year 3 and 4 pupils performed with five other local primary schools at Salisbury Cathedral as part of the 'Voices Inspiring' project run by the Cathedral School. It was a phenomenal performance by over 200 children and we were so proud to be a part of it.



Shoebbox Appeal 2022 – thank you!

Thank you for supporting our appeal for another year. We were **delighted** to hand over 45 boxes to the charity today! This was the most we've ever donated as a school, we are so grateful for your generosity in these financially difficult times.

Next Week's Dates

- Our next Forest Schools session is on Thursday 24th November with Year R.
- Entries for our Christmas art competition need to be returned to school by Friday 25th November.
- Second hand Christmas clothing sale on 25th November at 3.20pm! Send any outgrown / unwanted Christmas t-shirts, jumpers, hair accessories, fancy dress (children's or adults') to the school office. The sale will take place by the library / fairy cake Friday table, all money made will be donated to our school charity.

INSET Day

Monday 28th November is an INSET day, no pupils are expected in school on this day.

Home Learning Expectations

Pupils in Key Stage 2 are expected to practise their number and spelling work on a weekly basis and evidence in their home learning books or via Seesaw.

Parent Governor Vacancy – closing date is Tuesday 29th November

If you are interested in the position of parent governor or would like more information, please email clerk@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk. If we have more than one applicant this will go to ballot, more information will follow.

Nativity Tickets

Letters have been sent home about reserving tickets for our KS1 Nativity. Each family will be allocated 3 tickets over the two performances: 2pm on Tue 6th December and 5.30pm on Thu 8th December. Tickets will be issued closer to the Nativity.

Key Stage 2 Carol Concert

This event will take place on Thursday 15th December at 6pm at St Paul's Church. We expect all pupils there and in full uniform (unless your child takes on a specific role and needs a costume). If your child is not able to make this event, **please let your child's class teacher know as soon as possible** so we can allocate any parts to those attending.

Christmas Art Competition

Entries need to be returned to school by Friday 25th November.

Cleaner Vacancy

We are looking for a committed and conscientious person to join our school cleaning team from January 2023. The hours are 3.45-6pm, five evenings per week. The contract is term time (including Inset days) plus 22.5 hours over 4 days during the summer holidays for a deep clean of the school. If you are interested, please contact the school office or e-mail our Business Manager, Mrs Field, on admin@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk for further information and an application form.

Promoting Reading at SSP!

Each week we share useful information for parents / carers to promote home reading and reading for pleasure.

Reading Fluency

For those children on our decodable book scheme, we expect them to read the same book on several occasions to develop their reading fluency and proficiency. Reading the same book repeatedly can feel strange (and boring!) at times but here are a few ideas to keep reading fresh and motivating:

- Read one – make predictions about the text, adult and child reads the book together, what familiar words does the child recognise? What phonics clues can we use to decode?
- Read two – child reads book, uses phonic knowledge to decode
- Read three – child reads book but parent models speech / intonation to the child. How are characters speaking their lines?

What expression do we need in our voice?

- Read four – child reads book and adult asks comprehension questions

Safeguarding

Each week we share useful safeguarding information for parents / carers. The purpose is to empower you, raise awareness to protective measures you could adopt and provide up-to-date information on trends in order to safeguard your child.



Road Safety

We have received several complaints from local residents about the parking of parents at drop off and collection times. There have been reports of cars being damaged and drivers leaving cars dangerously on double yellow lines. We ask you to be considerate to our neighbours and drive carefully, there are lots of families at peak times of the day and we need to prioritise their safety.

FOSSP – Friends of Sarum St Paul's

Fairy Cake Friday –The next event will take place on Friday 25th November and **Year 2** will donate and sell cakes to the rest of the school. Please ensure that ingredients are listed on home baked cakes and be mindful that we are a **nut free** school. Half the money raised will come back to the class!

Future dates for Fairy Cake Friday –Y1: 2nd Dec; YR: 9th Dec.

Christmas Disco –Thursday 1st December. Tickets are now on sale as a shop item on School Money. Tickets can also be reserved via the office. All tickets will be issued during the week of the disco.



Last but not least... School staff are under an increasing amount of pressure; demands and expectations are very high. Please be kind and considerate when communicating with staff, we do our very best for our pupils and parents and work above and beyond to ensure safety and happiness of all. Please be kind and respectful when communicating information with staff.

Kind regards,

Mrs E Weavers,
Headteacher