

This week in school

On Tuesday pupils had the opportunity to visit their new classroom and meet their September team. There is a buzz of excitement about September.

On Wednesday our Year 5 dodgeball team took part in the School Games county finals and came 6th! They played with a huge amount of determination and perseverance! We were so proud of the team for making it to the finals. On Thursday our school choir gave a beautiful concert to parents, sharing the songs they have been learning this year.



Class Names – September 2023

We have decided to change our class names for September; they have been the same for several years. The new names will be linked to the work we've done with the River Project as well as with Forest Schools. School Council has helped gather feedback and ideas from their classmates, the new names will be announced next week!

Save the Date - Monday 25th September we will be the Stay Safe team will be leading a 'Parenting in the Digital World' session. We strongly encourage a parent from every family to join us for this session, which is being held virtually at 7pm. More information to follow!

New Website and App

We are in the process of upgrading our school website and school app to the latest format. You may notice some changes and updates over the coming weeks whilst we upgrade the systems. More information to follow, everything will be up and running for September.

Music Lessons

A message from Sarah Hooper:

Spaces are available in September for Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils wanting to learn the flute or clarinet; individual and shared (depending on numbers) lessons are available. Instruments are available to hire. If you are interested, please e-mail me for further information, and I can arrange for a 'taster' lesson this term. I work as part of a group of instrumental music teachers – Salisbury Area Music Cooperative. You can find lots more information (including lesson fees) at:

<https://salisburyareamusic.co.uk/>

Sarah Hooper shoopermusic@gmail.com

A message from Sarah Trenchard:

Do you have a budding new musician at home? I am the violin and viola teacher at school and I have a few timetable slots available for September 2023. I am passionate about sharing my enthusiasm for string teaching and am happy to teach individual or small group lessons during school hours. I can support with hiring/purchasing instruments if needed. I truly believe that music is a great way to have fun playing with others so will be encouraging your potential new musician to join an ensemble as soon as they feel ready, it's great fun!

If your child is interested in lessons please don't hesitate to drop me an email for more information.

Sara Trenchard (Salisbury Area Music Co-operative)

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Annual Questionnaire for parents and carers

We have sent home a paper copy with every child alternatively, we have emailed you a copy and this can be completed and returned electronically. Please email to office@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk

PE Survey

Each year we work towards a PE Kite Mark, once again we are aiming for GOLD! As part of the award we need to gather information from parents about children's physical activity outside of school. Please follow this link and complete the survey, it will take about 3 minutes to complete. Many thanks in advance. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/QKV9LTR>

Year 6 Careers Workshop

We would like to run a careers workshop for our Year 6 pupils on Friday 21st July. If you are available to come into school between 1-2pm and talk to small groups about your career pathway and your role, please email Mrs Cookson.

Meet the September Team

Please join us at 2.45pm on the Key Stage 2 playground on the following days:

September classes	Parent/carer meet the team
Year 1	Current Year R to meet Year 1 team: 18 th July
Year 2	Current Year 1 to meet Year 2 team: 12 th July
Year 6	Current Year 5 to meet Year 6 team: 13 th July

Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a governor. The closing date to express interest is **Monday 10th July**.

Forest School Sessions: Thursday 13th July – Year 6 (this is the last session of the year).

This has been hugely popular amongst pupils this year and every class has really embraced the opportunity to explore the outdoors, team build and try new activities. A huge thank you to Mrs Colyer for her inspiring sessions and a big congratulations for completing her Forest School qualification. We will be continuing these sessions next year and hope to build further opportunities... watch this space!

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.



Class WhatsApp Groups

We know that most classes have a parent WhatsApp group and are aware of how helpful these can be (as a parent myself, I often rely on my daughter's group to remind me of key information!). However, we politely remind you to ensure the conduct and information shared within these groups is carefully considered. If you have any concerns about something in your child's class or an incident that has happened, please follow the appropriate method of communication: discuss with your child's class teacher and if not dealt with, escalate to me. Please be mindful that children's perception of events and conversations are sometimes different to actual events or they can be easily misunderstood. We have an open-door policy and are really proud of our relationships with parents. Please do come and see us if you have any concerns, please avoid using a large-scale WhatsApp group to discuss issues.

FOSSP – Friends of Sarum St Paul's

School disco – Thursday 13th July - Tickets are available to purchase for £3.50 each at school. Please either purchase as a shop item on School Money or buy from Mrs Cookson in the office.



Kind regards,
Mrs E Weavers