



Newsletter



This week:



Cinderella
Christingle Service
Keeping Healthy
Christmas Reading



Good afternoon

What a special month December has been at Saltford School – so many lovely memories created.



Cinderella- Key Stage Two performed their version of Cinderella this week. The atmosphere created in the Hall was truly magical. The acting and singing of the Year Six children was absolutely amazing and if you attended a performance I am sure you admired their courage and confidence to stand on the stage and perform in front of hundreds of parents and guests. Well done to all the Key Stage Two children and a special thank you to all the staff for making each performance so special. The school is extremely lucky to have such talented and dedicated staff and supportive parents. I would like to say a special thank you to all our staff based with Year Six for co-ordinating the children and Mr Baker who directed the production. Mr Baker praised the Year 6 children, "Congratulations from Mr Baker to all children in year 6 who worked so hard to put on a splendid production this year. Everyone showed great commitment and dedication in coming to rehearsals, learning lines and dances and practising at home.

They can be very proud of the high standard they achieved. Well done everyone."

Click [here](#) to see just a few of the photographs.

Christingle Service - This afternoon the whole school gathered in the Hall for our Christingle Service. The children sang traditional carols and songs. Each class made a Christingle orange that was presented and lit during the service. Well done to our Year Six children who read a selection of passages from the bible. Click [here](#) to see some photographs from the service.



On behalf of myself and all the staff at Saltford Primary School, thank you to all the children and parents who have sent Christmas cards and gifts – they are very much appreciated.

And finally...may all of us at Saltford School wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We thank you for your support this term and look forward to next year with the children returning on Monday 7th January.

D. E. Sage

Mrs D Sage



HEADTEACHER AWARDS

EYFS

SH: Amelie H & Mia S – Used different ingredients to mix together a thick Christmas pudding as part of our STEM work.

GD: Amber K & Emily-Joy S – Fantastic dice and colouring work.

KS1

SEH: Elowen B & Maisie E – For working super hard to remember your wooshy handwriting. Keep it up!

RH: Sam B & Jacob R – For always being kind and helpful.

NJ: Jess B & Jack B – Lovely Christmas poems.

ED: Harry GG & Archie E – Super Christmas traditions.

KS2

All children in Key Stage 2 for four fabulous performances of Cinderella this week – well done



Keeping healthy 2018/2019

Norovirus is now circulating in this area. Norovirus causes viral gastroenteritis which can spread rapidly in closed environments such as schools. It is usually a mild infection with no specific treatment recommended. It is easily transmitted from person to person – please remind your children of the importance of good hygiene and washing their hands regularly. Please also utilise Public Health England's winter readiness pack, which contains lots of guidance and resources to help prevent the spread of infectious diseases. The pack can be found here: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/info-professional/public-health/infection-winter/>

We celebrate*

Sophie V – Gymnast of the Day for volt work.

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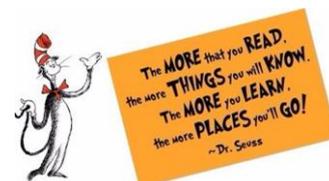
Christmas Reading

With the short days and chilly weather, Christmas is a great time to snuggle down with a good book.

Daily reading with your child, whether it is school books or books from home, has enormous benefit to your child's development. Just twenty minutes of reading every day of the Christmas break will equate to over 5 ½ hours of reading!

Children in Year 1 – 6 will all bring their reading bags home with them over the holidays and those in EYFS have had a list of recommendations sent home. However, school books are only the tip of the iceberg – please do let us know by recording in your

child's reading record what other books they read over the festive period. Don't forget to use the local libraries too. Opening times for the festive period are [here for Salford](#) and [here for Keynsham](#). Stuck for last minute gifts? <https://www.lovereadng4kids.co.uk/> has book recommendations for all ages, including extracts to download and read. Have a wonderful Christmas break.



Add all these dates direct to your online calendar!
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Dates for your diary

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Inset days for 2018 – 2019:

Friday 21st December 2018
Monday 25th February 2019
Friday 24th May 2019

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7th January 2019 – First day of Term 3
9th January – KS2 Pantomime Visit – pick up time back at school approximately 5.30 pm
10th January – FS/KS1 Multistory – children can come to school in fancy dress or in their own clothes.
14th January – PTA Meeting – 7.30 pm staff room.

16th January – Homemade Smoothies Themed Lunch. More information to follow.*

22nd & 23rd January – Access Mornings Years 1 – 6

5th February – Chinese New Year Themed Lunch. More information to follow.*

* New date added



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