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## Newsletter



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### This week:

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A few words from Mrs Sage...

**Good afternoon.** It has been lovely welcoming everyone back to school. Thank you for all your support and patience this week as we adjust to our new routines and arrangements. There will not be 'normal' routines for a while and all decisions taken are to comply with [Government guidance](#). Thank you to all our parents who have supplied their child with a pair of wellies if your class letter requested this – especially in Year One /Two where some of our children are accessing the site via the school field. We appreciate your support and cooperation in maintaining social distancing and following all our procedures. We are trying to minimise any inconvenience where we can however, our priority has to be the safety of all the children, their families and staff.



**Communication:** Saltford is an extremely busy school. If you ever have any queries, questions or concerns we would always encourage you to touch base with your child's class teacher. We appreciate that with the current staggered pick ups that this might not always be possible. Our school office team can offer support either on 01225 872185 or [contactus@saltfordschool.org.uk](mailto:contactus@saltfordschool.org.uk). They can also pass messages on to the class teacher if necessary. If this doesn't resolve the matter, we would then ask you to speak with either myself (I am on duty at the front of the school first thing so either catch me there and I can let you know my availability or ask the office to make an appointment) or a member of the [leadership team](#).

**Attendance and independence:** You will all have received your [class letter](#) and curriculum web containing lots of useful information. Your support in encouraging your child to have the correct equipment and to wear their PE kit on the correct day is much appreciated and is part of supporting your child to get into good habits and being independent.

With regard to attendance, please see [our useful guide here](#) summarising the procedures during covid and our handy [Covid flowchart](#). When you ring the school using our answer phone please give us appropriate detail if your child is absent – especially if they have Covid symptoms and you intend to have your child tested. To book an appointment for a test or apply for a home testing kit this is [the link](#) you will need to use.

**Supporting the school:** It is great to have so many volunteers in school who help in many different ways, e.g. reading, gardening etc. Information about volunteering is on our website or click [here](#) for further details. As ever, thank you for your support for what we do because it makes all the difference. You can support your child get off to a great start with their reading by clicking [here](#) to read the arrangements for reading for this academic year.

I wish you all and your children a happy and successful 20/21 school year with us.

## HEADTEACHER AWARDS

### EYFS

**ED & GD:** Well done to all the children for a great start at school.

### KS1

**CE:** Sofia F & Poppy G – for settling really well into Year 1.

**RH:** Siana D – for writing an amazing journal.

**NJ:** Eliza B – Good maths work.

**MN:** Katie C – for a stunning poster All About Me demonstrating great artistic skills.

### KS2

**CM:** Aimee P – for a fantastic self portrait.

**ESST:** Charlie T & Bertie G – super letter to the teacher.

**RJ:** Amelia C – for her fabulous and detailed self-portrait.

**PN:** Zack H – for a super start back to school and making a great effort with writing.

**JSB:** Rosa M – a beautiful and well proportioned self-portrait.

**AB:** Louie C – a beautifully presented, detailed recount of his summer holiday in a postcard.

**NS:** Ella W – brilliant work in every Maths lesson.

**JG:** Helena P – super problem solving using correct place value.



## Extra Curricular Clubs

We are working hard with our extra curricular club providers to safely restart some of our before and after school clubs. Our outdoor sports clubs will start later this term. Gym club, based in the school hall will also start later this term. All providers have been asked to provide a Risk Assessment and Operating Plan which will be checked by Mrs Sage. Please look out for e-mails regarding clubs which we will send as and when we are able. Thank you for your patience. See our clubs page [here](#).

## Doodle Maths 14 Day Challenge

Our children can join thousands of children who are already on their way to forming positive learning habits with Doodle by taking part in their 14 day maths challenge. By taking part, your child's class will also have the chance to win a bundle of learning games worth £50. To get involved, children need to be working in their green target zone for 14 consecutive days from **Monday 14th September to Sunday 27th September**. The percentage of children on target in your child's class and the class with the highest percentage of students on target over the 14-day period for each subject will win!

For more information, you can visit: <https://www.doodlemaths.com/14-day-challenge-competition/>

## Online safety and Tik Tok

Online safety is extremely important. The school's internet service is tailored for use by primary school children and provides a secure and safe network. You may have seen the BBC article this week on [Tik Tok](#) and I thought it would be appropriate to remind you about the wealth of information on the school website about protecting children on social network sites. There are some very useful links and guidance on our [Online safety page](#). [This document](#) shows *minimum age* requirements for a selection of the social media apps that your children may be asking to use, the minimum ages for Instagram, Snapchat, Tik Tok, Kik, Facebook and Twitter is 13. In respect of Tik Tok, this helpful [fact sheet](#) will inform you about the Tik Tok app. The latest online safety newsletter can be found [here](#).

## Quick links –

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## Letters sent this week

[Maths Letter Year 2](#)  
[Reading Letter Year 1 – 6](#)  
[Spelling Letter Year 2](#)



## Safeguarding

The safeguarding of our children is our top priority in school. For information about our safeguarding processes or who you can talk to if you have a concern we have a dedicated safeguarding section on our school website [here](#). **Walking Home:** our arrivals and departures policy can be found [here](#). Years Five and Six must complete the relevant section and send back to the school office if your child is walking home unaccompanied.

## Pupil Premium

The pupil premium is additional funding for publicly funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities and to close the gaps between them and their peers. At Saltford CofE Primary School we are committed to providing an education full of opportunities that will prepare all pupils for their future with a positive attitude and an ambition to be the best they can be. If you think your child might be entitled to Free School Meals please click [here](#) to access the B&NES website and [here](#) to download an application form.

Add all these dates direct to your online calendar!  
[Click here](#)



[Click here for term dates](#)

## Dates for your diary

### Inset Days for 2020 – 2021

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

### [Term Dates for 2021 - 2022](#)

**Monday 14th September:** virtual PTA meeting 7.30pm on Zoom. [Do join in, details here!](#)

\* New date added

### [Community Notices](#)

Starting 6<sup>th</sup> September – new [Youth Club](#) for children in Years 6, 7, 8 & 9

[Apple Harvest and surplus share out](#) – bring along your surplus produce to Saltford Hall share with the community.

[Request to join the PTA Facebook page here!](#)