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A few words from Mrs Sage...

We've had a great week at Saltford as we work our way towards the Christmas holidays. children have been enjoying lots of fantastic learning across the school.

Christmas Performances: The children have thoroughly enjoyed performing in both the FS/KS1 Nativity – [The Very Hopeless Camel](#) and KS2 [Christmas Around the World](#).

We are so proud of how confident our children were when performing to a virtual audience. The links to both performances have been e-mailed to all parents. Many thanks to the staff for their work with the children on the performances.

PTA: Thank you to the wonderful PTA who have continued to fund raise throughout the term. The draw for the **Christmas Raffle** took place on Wednesday – many thanks for supporting this. The PTA raised the fantastic sum of £1,961. Thank you to Amanda Hawkins who organised the raffle and all the PTA for their hard work during this challenging term. **Snow Machine:** Thank you to our PTA for treating the children in their year group to a snow experience. They absolutely loved it!

Christingle Service: Tomorrow afternoon the whole school will watch the traditional Christingle Service virtually in their classrooms. This service will be provided by our Foundation Governor Mrs Emma King. Each class will have their own Christingle orange to light during the service.

Keynsham Food Bank: Alan Hale, Chairman and Project Manager writes, "I write on behalf of the Keynsham Food Bank to thank you and the school family for the support that you have again given us as we once again approach Christmas. Your kindness is very much appreciated. This fiscal year so far has been extremely busy for us and since April 1st we have supported just short of 1,700 people which is 400 more than in the whole of the last fiscal year. Currently we are covering Keynsham, Saltford, the Chew Valley and the neighbouring part of South Gloucestershire. None of what we do could be done without the support of people such as your school family. Thank you again."

Mrs Evans: Mrs Jennifer Evans, Office Manager at Saltford Primary School, will be retiring today after working in our school office for 6 years. She has been central to school life and we wish her all the best for a long and happy retirement.

Thank you: A huge thank you to all the staff for all the work they have put in this term. Under challenging circumstances, they have made sure we have had two terms of great learning but also made sure that the children still enjoy special Christmas festivities in the lead up to the end of term. Thank you to all our parents for your support - we have had so many cards and messages which the staff really appreciate. Please [read the letter here](#) for the arrangements for track and trace up to Christmas Eve. Have a lovely Christmas and New Year and we will see you back at school on Tuesday 5th January 2021.



HEADTEACHER AWARDS

EYFS

ED: Mea T & Sophie T – For being thoughtful and helpful class members.

GD: Ben T & Violet H – Super writing about the Nativity.

KS1

CE: Jack B – Super ideas during a discussion about animals.

RH: Imogen D - Super writing and pictures retelling the Nativity story.

NJ: Elliott T – Fantastic retelling of 'The Bear and the Piano'.

MN: Holly S – Amazing work innovating her own version of 'The Bear and the Piano', changing the character and instrument.

KS2

CM: Zach W – For fantastic independent maths work.

ESST: Oscar F – For super artwork in the style of Romero Britto.

RJ: Pip C – For her superb facts about Stonehenge.

PN: Susie P – For super work on celebrating our differences and being proud to be unique.

JSB: Adrian D – Excellent description and brilliant detail in English.

AB: Cameron G – Has created a beautifully coloured calendar for 2021. Let's hope it is a great year, well done Cameron.

NS: Rhys M – For consistently challenging himself and working hard in all maths lessons.

JG: Bella D – For an improvement in the presentation of her written work.



Keeping Healthy in 2021

We have a number of viruses circulating in this area in addition to Covid-19. Viruses can spread rapidly in closed environments such as schools. They are usually a mild infection with no specific treatment recommended and are easily transmitted from person to person – please remind your children of the importance of good hygiene and washing their hands regularly. Please also make use of 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 on the [Public Health England](#) website.

We will continue our focus on keeping healthy in 2021 – please see our [well-being section](#) on the school website for information on how you can support this. Our Travel Plan will be updated next year so please look out for more information on healthy and environmentally friendly ways of travelling to school.

Kingfisher Lodge

Like so many of our traditions this year, we have been unable to visit the residents of Kingfisher Lodge to sing Christmas carols for them during the last week of term. However, as a Salford School community, we wanted to reach out to the residents and show them that we were still thinking of them. One of our parents mentioned a project that had been going on in their school and gave us the idea of how we could spread some Christmas cheer. The children have created lots of colourful bauble cards with festive messages and even some jokes to raise the spirits of the residents, to let them know that we care.



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Salford Community Association



Please see the latest SCA newsletter [here](#) for the latest news and what's going on in the community over Christmas and into the New Year.

Save the Children: We collected a fantastic £303 for Save the Children during our Christmas Jumper Day last week. Thank you for your generosity.



PTA news online

This week's house winners are Woodpeckers with 347!

Christmas in our community

There is always plenty going on in the local community and even more so at this time of year. Many events will take place virtually this year. This [zoom link](#) will enable you to join all the services at St Mary's Church this year. Please email the [Benefice Office](#) to request log in details.

A Christmas edition of the Three Parishes Newsletter has been delivered to each house in Salford, Corston and Newton St Loe. In this magazine you will find lots of Christmas activities for all the family, all the information regarding the virtual Church services, including carol words and prayers.

Many people from the three parishes have also shared their favourite Christmas Carol and Salford pupils have written Christmas Prayers.

[St Mary's Church](#) has a variety of activities available to both children and adults, including the [Salford Advent Trail](#). This link will take you to the [Salford Advent Trail map](#). Each class has worked on a piece of scenery to make up the Nativity Scene on Christmas Eve.

We advertise many local events on the [Community Notices](#) section of our website – here you will find details of what's on in the local area for both children and families

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

Dates for your diary

[Click here for term dates](#)

Inset Days for 2020 – 2021

Monday 4th January 2021
Monday 22nd February 2021
Friday 28th May 2021

[Term Dates for 2021 - 2022](#)

5th January – First day of Term 3.
8th January: [Virtual Pantomime Day](#).
11th January: Virtual PTA Meeting. 7.30 pm. More information to follow.
13th January: Reception children Height, Weight & Hearing Test.
w/c 11th January: For information on extra-curricular clubs restarting please click [here](#).

We celebrate

Well done to Seb S from class MN who has received a Blue Peter Badge. To read more and see a photograph of Seb with this badge, please see [our news item here](#).

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



Doodle Champions



Top 3 Stars

Zach H – Class MN

Seb G – Class JSB

Claudia G – Class CM

Top Class

Class RH



doodlespell

Top 3 Stars

Scarlet J – Class CM

Tom M – Class AB

Seb S – Class MN

Top Class

Class AB



Top 3 Stars

Kate C – Class MN

Edmund S-C – Class CM

Mila J – Class RH

Top Class

Class MN