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Newsletter



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A few words from Mrs Sage...

Operational Plan Reminder: We would like to thank families for their understanding and continuing support as we all continue to work through these challenging times. A reminder that our operating procedures can be found [here](#). I thought it would be helpful to highlight some of the important areas of this plan:



- One parent per family entering the school site to support us in keeping congestion to a minimum – if at all possible please do not bring other siblings who are not attending school and walk only with family groups.
- Please make a note of your start times as these are different for each year group. We are asking all parents not to gather outside the gates – we have allocated field and playground waiting areas so you can space right out. Please see [the letter](#) regarding revised procedures for Years 1 & 2 during the winter months.

Years R, 1 & 3 should arrive at 8.45 am and finish at 3 pm.

Years 2,4, 5 & 6 should arrive at 9 am and finish at 3.15 pm.

It is important year groups do not mix in case we have a positive case in a specific year group.

Christmas Post Boxes: Our Christmas Post Boxes will be in the Library from Monday 30th November, but the procedures this year will be very different. Please see [the letter](#) sent to all parents detailing the covid-safe procedures this year. If cards could remain unsealed that would also support safety procedures. The last day for Christmas Cards will be Tuesday 8th December.

Reverse Advent Calendar: [Our reverse advent calendar](#) initiative supports the Keynsham food bank in providing support over Christmas for families in need. The staff have asked if you would consider donating to this instead of gifts to them. It is always a pleasure to present our gifts to the food bank on 4th December in good time for Christmas.

TikTok: [TikTok](#) is a social media site used by young people to create their own videos, including ones where they lip sync to popular songs and clips. TikTok has a [minimum age requirement](#) of 13 and requires a date of birth to be entered before registering. The app focuses on popular music, some songs may contain explicit language that are inappropriate for young children. It also possible to interact with and message other people through the comment section and private messaging of this app. We have flagged concerns about use of this site – yet still issues linked to inappropriate use are brought into school. The [December online safety newsletter](#) contains some useful hints and tips for parents about TikTok. To find out more, see also Childnet's up-to-date [guide for parents here](#).

Have a lovely weekend.

HEADTEACHER AWARDS



EYFS

ED: Eva L & Charlie K – Great dinosaur skeletons.

GD: Henry P & Flora C – Amazing dinosaur skeletons.

KS1

CE: Harper R – Great pattern on her Christmas bauble.

RH: Frank P and Lily-Rose M for writing amazing stories about 'Wombat Goes Walkabout'.

NJ: Otilie G – Fantastic poster about cheetahs.

MN: Lilia D – Super independent work on her reading comprehension.

KS2

CM: Maisie E – For an imaginative story based on the Stone age.

ESST: May H – For her super Stone Age cave painting using oil pastels.

RJ: Logan M – For his super investigation of different types of skeleton.

PN: Jack C – For super participation in Stone Age Day – building his own table.

JSB: Zane B – Fantastic blackout blitz poem.

AB: Tamika H - Has written a detailed character study and set her work out very neatly. Super work!

NS: Olivia B – For hard work on this week's diary writing.

JG: Ben C – For a great investigation when using filtration to separate materials.

Christmas Raffle



Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes on Friday 27th November and bring an item for the Christmas raffle. This will be collected in a Covid secure way. The plan is to create some Christmas hampers that can be raffled to raise funds for the PTA. Our usual Christmas fundraising cannot take place this year, so please support the raffle by donating items and by buying raffle tickets which will be available shortly. There will be a limit of two books of raffle tickets per child this year.

Useful Covid-19 information

The "[Keeping Healthy](#)" section on our website provides up to date useful information and links.

Some useful websites:

[General Government information](#)

[Symptoms & testing](#)

[Meeting with others safely](#)

[Covid guidance for parents and carers](#)

[School operating procedures October 2020](#)



Click on the picture to read the Government's Hands Face Space campaign this autumn:

Wash your hands,
Cover your face,
Make space. ★

Quick links

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Letters sent this week

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Salford Community Association



Please see the latest SCA newsletter [here](#) for details of Lockdown 2 in the community, the Salford Santa Dash, the Shoebox Appeal and other community news.



PTA news online

Stone Age Experience

Years 3 and 4 welcomed SG Forest school to Salford this week to give the children a hands-on experience of life in the Stone Age. The children had the opportunity to strike flint, build dens, grind wheat and make pots as they discussed the key question, "Were the people living in the Stone Age super-heroes?" After the experience, they decided that yes, to be able to survive without any of today's luxuries they were! A huge thank you to

This week's house winners are Woodpeckers with 346!

Tim and Jane from SG Forest School for bringing the Stone Age to life for us and to Mrs Nethercott and our staff team for organising this experience.



To see more photographs of the amazing days please see our [news item here](#).

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 4th January 2021

Monday 22nd February 2021

Friday 28th May 2021

[Term Dates for 2021 - 2022](#)

27th November: Mufti Day. Donations for the [PTA Hamper Raffle](#) please.

30th November: Christmas Post Boxes start today.

4th December: Last day [for Reverse Advent Calendar](#) donations.

8th December: last day of posting in school.

11th December: [Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Outfit Day](#). £1 donation to [Save the Children](#).

11th December: [Christmas Lunch](#).

Christmas button



Please click on the picture to see what is going on in school and at St Mary's Church over the festive period.

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