

# Saltford C of E Primary School Newsletter



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## This week

Photography competition

Consultation evenings

Red Nose Day 19<sup>th</sup> March

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## A few words from Mrs Sage...



This week has been a happy and positive week and we have been very impressed with how well the children are doing. Being at school in a busy learning environment can bring with it a mixture of feelings and some of your children may be displaying signs of tiredness and high emotional responses which is absolutely understandable. You may find these resources from Barnardo's really useful: [www.barnardos.org.uk/see-hear-respond-support-hub](http://www.barnardos.org.uk/see-hear-respond-support-hub).

**PTA photography competition:** it was a real pleasure to see the many photos submitted for the PTA photo competition inspired by BBC Winterwatch. They displayed great creativity. The eight winners were awarded their certificates and a personalised mug with their image printed on. Thanks to the PTA, particularly Mrs Presswood, for arranging the competition and prizes and thanks to professional photographer Peter Travers for judging. See the prize winners and their super pictures [on our website here](#).

**Consultation evenings:** we are working hard to identify where the children are in their learning and where they need to go next, making the best possible progress. Staff are looking forward to meeting with you via video link on either Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March or Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March. [This letter gives](#) an outline of the meeting and what you can expect when you meet your child's class teacher this time.

I know you will continue to support your child with their daily reading and use of the Doodle software, TT Rockstars and Numbots to support their home learning.

**Red Nose Day reminder:** on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March we're supporting [Comic Relief](#) by asking children to come to school in their own clothes in exchange for £1. We are also asking children to write their funniest joke on a **NAMED** piece of paper, ready to tell to the class during the Friday morning. Mr Jenkins will be choosing the funniest joke of all with a small prize for the winner.

Have a lovely weekend.

## HEADTEACHER AWARDS

### EYFS

**ED:** Florrie F for fantastic phonics application and developing independence in written tasks.  
**GD:** Violet H and Joss S for super listening and trying hard in gymnastics.

### KS1

**RH:** Siana D for an amazing piece of factual writing about diggers.  
**CE:** Christina C for a super fact file about diggers!  
**NJ:** Isla H for thinking of original and imaginative ideas in our George and the Dragon lessons.  
**MN:** Liv R for amazing enthusiasm and great listening during our training from the Bath FC coaches.

### KS2

**ESST:** Hudson R for his beautiful Mother's Day card decorated with origami flowers.  
**CM:** Robyn H for her fantastic fact hunting about earthquakes, ready to present in a non-chronological report.  
**RJ:** Giorgio D'A for his enthusiastic approach to learning how to say the seasons and months of the year in French.  
**PN:** Beau H for a super piece of Geography work plotting the epicentres of earthquakes that have occurred in New Zealand.  
**JSB:** Sam A for super information and knowledge on deer when filming his science documentary inspired by Sir David Attenborough.  
**AB:** Joe S for writing and designing a persuasive advert for a tasty new dog food using rhetorical devices.  
**NS:** Tobias F for brilliant work on ratio and for working hard in all lessons.  
**JG:** Matthew G for showing good understanding of variation in evolution in Science.



## Easter celebrations

As we see the signs of spring all around us, it's time to think about our Easter celebrations.

**Easter gardens:** we would like all children from Reception to Y6 to bring their gardens into school from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March in time for our Easter service on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March. Find guidance and inspiration [on our website here](#).

**Easter bonnets:** children in EYFS will be making Easter bonnets in school this year, to avoid the difficulties presented by Covid-19. We would still love to see any bonnets made at home, however, so please use Tapestry to share your creations with us.



## We celebrate

**Elliot in class JSB** who, inspired by the Captain Tom 100 challenge, is writing 100 poems to raise funds for the Alzheimer's Society. See [our website here](#) for links to his poems and JustGiving page.

**Jazz and Jess** in classes NS and RJ who wrote to New Zealand's Prime Minister about Coronavirus and women's roles. Well done for taking a global view. You can [see her reply here](#).

We hold live celebration assemblies on Fridays. If your child has a certificate or trophy to share, do hand it into the school office. We will follow all Covid safety procedures when handling these.

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## Letters sent this week and date responses due:

### EYFS & Y1 swimming survey

Respond by Fri 19<sup>th</sup> March

### Y6 SATs assessment and transition meeting

Respond by Fri 19<sup>th</sup> March

### Y6 activity programme

Respond by Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> March

### Consultation evenings supplementary info

## Forest school and outdoor play

It is important that children can learn in a variety of environments. We are very fortunate at Saltford to have such varied [outdoor facilities](#) to enhance learning. As well as inspiring creative writing and art, the outdoors is alive with maths and science opportunities.

To add an extra dimension, Forest School takes children to a different, inspiring, setting where they can enjoy practical activities in smaller groups. They rise to the challenges of being outside and grow in confidence as they see what they can accomplish.

In terms 5 and 6, all classes will be visiting Manor Woods for a Forest School session with [SG Forest School](#). This should have taken place last year but had to be postponed due to Covid-19. These sessions are being funded by our PTA and we are very grateful to them for this opportunity. The Forest School sessions will focus on teamwork, resilience and listening skills and we know that the children will have a fantastic time! You will be emailed nearer the time with information about the sessions.

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:**

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March:** Red Nose Day

\* **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March:** bring [Easter gardens](#) into school from now

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March:** [Consultation Evening](#) via School Cloud system

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March:** [Consultation Evening](#) via School Cloud system

\* **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March:** Easter service

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April:** last day of term

\* **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April:** first day of term 5

\* New date added

[Term Dates for 2021 – 2022 here](#)

  
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