



Salisbury Newsletter October 2017



Dear Children, Parents & Carers,

We have been back for half a term now, how quickly time goes by. I am so pleased at how well the children have settled into the new school year, they are so positive and eager to learn.

I would like to welcome our new staff to our school, Ms Brown (Assistant Head Teacher for Year 3 and 4), Miss Begum in year 1, Ms Khanom in year 2, Mr Baskal in year 4, Miss Lampthey in year 4, Miss Fordham in year 5 and Mr Williams in year 6.

We will be holding our 'Starting School' meeting for prospective Reception parents for all children born between 1/9/2013—31/08/2014. This will be taking place on Tuesday 17th October at 2.45pm and Wednesday 18th October at 9.15am. At the meeting, Ms Clifton and Ms Hines will give you information on how to make a school place application.

For our year 6 pupils, parents are reminded that this is the time for you to apply for a secondary school place. All applications now need to be completed online.

Should you require any assistance, please call the office to speak to Ms Hines who is always willing to support parents with this process. There is a deadline for applications, which is 31st October 2017,



Uniform

I am so pleased that children are either wearing our school uniform or school colours. We now need to ensure that all children have the correct clothing and colours for PE. Please see the list below for PE. In July, we sent out a letter explaining that all children should wear plimsoles instead of trainers, This is because trainers are too heavy for the purpose of PE and plimsoles are very cheap, they range from £3 to £4 in Tesco and Asda. Please remember that it is important that all children change for PE. We do sell PE clothing, comprising of a T-shirt and shorts or for winter, jogging bottoms. I would like to make an offer of reducing the price from £11 to £9 for a full PE Kit, or buy one T-shirt and get a second for £3, shorts will be buy one and get a second for £2. If your child does not wear the correct PE clothing, you will receive a phone call from the school to ask you to bring the correct items into school on that morning.

Sometimes some children may take the wrong uniform home. Please can all parents check their child's cloths and if there is a different name, please return the items so that the class teacher or office can give it to the right child. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

PLEASE NOTE PE SESSIONS:

Year 3,4,5 & 6 Mondays

Reception, Year 1 & 2 Tuesdays

The above days, do not change however your child may have a second PE slot on another day too. Therefore it would be best to bring PE uniform in on a Monday and take it home on a Friday.

UNIFORM PRICES

Fleeces	£14.00	P.E. Bag	£5.00
Polo	£7.50	P.E T-Shirts	£5.00
Sweatshirts	£10.00	Unisex Shorts (Age 3-12)	£3
Salisbury Cotton Cardigan	£14.00	Unisex Shorts (13,S,M)	£3.99
Boys Trousers (small)	£9.00	PE Kit	£11.00
Boys Trousers (large)	£10.00	Head Scarves	£4.00
Pleated Skirts	£5.50	Swim Costumes (girls)	£9.99
		Swim Costumes (boys)	£3.99
Girls Trousers	£11.00	Book Bags	£3.00
Track Bottoms	£6.00	Embroidered Book Bags	£5.00



**Please ensure all of your child's belongings are labelled with your child's name and class.
Thank you for your co-operation, it is greatly appreciated by all staff and Governors .**

Worlds Biggest Coffee Morning

On Friday 29th September, we held a MacMillan Cancer awareness coffee morning. It was great to see parents attend and support this worthy charity, some parents even baked cakes. The total amount raised was £186.50, by parents, children and staff.

I would like to thank all the parents who baked cakes for this event, they were very tasty.



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Bring Your Parent To Lunch

Staying for dinner for very young children, can be quite a worrying time for them. So we invited all our reception children's parents to sit and have lunch with them. It was fantastic to see so many parents take up the offer. We even had some dads join us. Thank you for all your support, your presence makes all the difference to the children. This is also a great time to experience our school meals first hand.



School Photographer



Just a reminder that if you wish to purchase your child's individual or family photo, please do so as soon as possible and no later than 19th October 2017. The company will be collecting all orders on Friday 20th October.

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that we have a breakfast club each day, from 7.30am. You are able to leave your child at school and the staff will give them something to eat and entertain them until school starts. They will then take them to their class for the start of the school day.

This service is £3.00 per child and £2.50 for any siblings there after each day.

Attendance



I am pleased to report that we have had quite a good start to attendance for this academic year. So far this half term, our attendance percentage for the whole school is 96.3.

I am sure with your support, we can improve on this figure and attain our target of 98% which would be an improvement of 1.7% over the next half term.

The children really enjoy being able to celebrate their attendance and the class with the best attendance for a full term, will gain a special prize.

GF1 (Reception) June 2017, had a visit to the cinema as their extra special treat. What will the children who win in December, choose?

Please support your child to help their class win by sending them to school everyday.





Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 23rd September

I am pleased to inform you that Salisbury School took part in JEANS FOR GENES DAY on Friday 22nd September 2017.

It was great to see so many children participating to raise money for this charity. The money that the school has raised, will go towards making a difference to children across the UK that are living with a genetic disorder. We raised £366.35.

Extended Day Offer

We have started up an extended day offer. This means that children are able to stay at school until 6pm every evening. This service is £10 per child and £8 for any siblings there after each day. We have reduced this amount if your child stays for the whole week. Therefor only paying for 4 of the five days care, which would cost £40 instead of £50. For any siblings, the cost would be £32 instead of £40.

Some of the activities that your child will do whilst in our care, are homework, extra reading, maths games, imaginative play and board games. The children will also have a healthy snack whilst at the provision.



October is the month in which the country celebrate Black History. At Salisbury the children are learning about lots of famous and inspiring black people in history. This is a great opportunity for our children to identify with positive black role models all over the world. They are learning about people who have made great achievements. Our children can look up to them with high aspirations for themselves.

Can you name the people in the pictures and what they are famous for? Please send your answers to your child's class teacher and we will announce the winner at International Evening.



Each year, we need your support to sign into 'Parent View' and give your opinion of our school. Ofsted always view these before they come into a school for an inspection. Last academic year, we had approximately 40 parents fill out the surveys on 'Parent View', let's see if we can improve upon this. We are once again offering a prize of **£50** to be won for signing in and adding your comments. Should you wish to use our computers to sign in, please come in and ask our office staff, who will be pleased to help you. **Could you be the lucky winner?** Once you have completed the online multiple choice questions, please let the office know the day and time you completed it.





School Dates 2017—2018



SCHOOL TERMS	PUPIL HOLIDAYS
<p>Autumn Monday 4th September 2017 to Friday 20th October 2017</p>	<p>Half Term Monday 23rd October 2017 to Friday 27th October 2017</p>
<p>Autumn Monday 30th October 2017 to Wednesday 20th December 2017</p>	<p>Christmas Break Thursday 21st December 2017 to Tuesday 2nd January 2018</p> <p>Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall within the Christmas Break.</p>
<p>Spring Wednesday 3rd January 2018 to Friday 9th February 2018</p>	<p>Half term Monday 12th February 2018 to Friday 16th February 2018</p>
<p>Spring Monday 19th February 2018 to Thursday 29th March 2018</p>	<p>Spring Break Friday 30th March 2018 to Friday 13th April 2018</p> <p>The Easter religious festival falls within the spring break.</p>
<p>Summer Monday 16th April 2018 to Friday 25th May 2018</p>	<p>May Day Monday 7th May 2018</p> <p>Half Term Monday 28th May 2018 to Friday 1st June 2018</p>
<p>Summer Monday 4th June 2018 to Wednesday 18th July 2018</p>	<p>Summer Break Thursday 19th July 2018 Staff training days (no children) 19th, 20th and 23rd July 2018</p>

In-service training days

The above pattern gives 195 days. It includes 5 days which should be allocated for in-service training on dates chosen by each school from within the above range of dates. We have only arranged 3 days therefore we will advise you of the other two days once these have been confirmed.

Religious Festivals

It has been approved by Governors that Salisbury Primary School will NOT close on Religious Festival Days. If you are observing a Religious Festival then you will still be able to observe these days and the absence from school will be marked as AUTHORISED.

Thank you for your on-going support, we look forward to working in partnership with you this academic year and should you have any suggestions, please attend our coffee mornings to discuss these.

Ms Choppy
Head Teacher

Half Term - 23rd October 2017—27th October 2017