



This week in school

The first part of this week's newsletter has to be dedicated to our Year 5/6 netball team for **WINNING** the **cluster competition**. They played exceptionally well, scoring many goals and dominating play! We are **SO proud** of them all. A special thank you to Tom Martin from PH Sports for running our after-school netball club and doing such a great job of preparing the team for the tournament.

We collected 27 Christmas shoeboxes for the appeal, thank you so much for your generous donations. I know the organisers are so grateful for these contributions.



Maternity Cover

I can now confirm the arrangements for Miss Martindale's maternity leave:

- Mrs Caroline Dugwell will be the replacement teacher in Year 3 for four days. Mrs Dugwell has been known to the school for many years as a previous parent, a parent governor and teaching assistant. Recently she has been doing supply across the school. Mrs Emily Woolford will continue to teach on a Thursday. There is an opportunity for Year 3 parents to meet Mrs Dugwell on Monday 4th December at 2.45pm.
- Miss Mitchell will be covering the Deputy / Acting Headteacher position. Miss Mitchell already sits on the senior leadership team and manages Key Stage 1, reading/phonics. She is looking forward to covering Thursdays in my absence.

Night at the Museum!

On Tuesday 28th November, we will be opening up the school from 3.30-4.30pm for a family event. You are all welcome to explore every classroom where there will be an activity to complete on each era of history being studied by that class. Come and learn more about the Victorians, Egyptians and Greeks!

Christmas Events

- The nativity for pupils in Year R, 1 and 2 will take place on Tuesday 12th December at 2pm and Wednesday 13th December at 5.30pm. Tickets will be available from the school office from 1st December. Tickets are limited to **3 tickets per family** over the two performances. Closer to the time, we will offer any remaining tickets on a first come first served basis.
- The carol concert for pupils in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 will take place on Monday 18th December at 6pm at St Paul's Church. Families across the school are welcome to attend, no tickets needed.

St Paul's Church

The church has released their dates for Christmas events, these include services, a pantomime and adult craft night. A flyer is attached with details of the pantomime. Please check the Church website for other events.

Christmas Jumpers/tops

Do you have any Christmas jumpers or tops that no longer fit your child? Please **donate** them to school! We will be selling these in December to raise money for the school.



Library donations

If you have any unwanted high-quality book sets that your child no longer reads, please donate these to our library!

INSET Day

Reminder, Monday 27th November is an INSET day. No pupils are expected in school on this day.

Forest Schools

The next Forest School session will take place on **Thursday 30th November with Year R**. Please dress for the weather!

Safeguarding

Each week we share useful safeguarding information for parents / carers. The purpose is to empower you, raise awareness to protective measures you could adopt and provide up-to-date information on trends in order to safeguard your child.



Mobile phones and road safety

We have received reports recently of pupils walking home and concentrating on their mobile phones instead of looking up and around them. Pupils are at risk of the dangers of the road when walking home, especially when the roads are busy at the start and end of the day. We understand that many pupils have mobile phones with them as a safety measure when walking to and from school alone but we want to make sure their phones aren't putting them at additional risk on the roads. Please discuss road safety with your child, especially if they have mobile phones with them. We want to make sure all of our children are safe and aware whilst walking home.

Concerned about Finances? *Concerned about making a trip payment? Need some second-hand uniform but not sure how to get it? Want to discuss Year 6 residential payment? Not sure how to discuss financial concerns with school? Need to access a food box?* Email affordable@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk – this account is only monitored by Mrs Weavers – Headteacher and Mrs Field - School Business Manager and is a way for parents and carers to reach out for help.

FOSSP – Friends of Sarum St Paul's



- Fairy Cake Friday – Friday 1st December, Year 2 class will be selling cakes for 50p from KS2 doors
- Second hand uniform is available to purchase every Friday after school from the mobile classroom, items are £1 each.
- Disco – Thursday 30th November. Please note we have a **no phone policy** at school discos. All pupils need to be collected by an adult so mobile phones are not needed.
During the KS2 disco, we will have small festive items for sale (glow sticks/necklaces etc) ranging from 20p to £1.
- Christmas movie after school (school children only) – Tuesday 5th December, £3 per ticket in the hall
- Christmas craft activity after school (school children only) – Tuesday 12th December, £4.50 per ticket in the hall
- Bag2School – bags are being collected on 6th December.

Kind regards,
Mrs E Weavers