

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome everyone back to school after the half term break. The children have returned settled, positive and ready to learn, and it has been wonderful to see the school full of energy again. This week, our KS2 School Council had the exciting opportunity to attend the opening of our local Lidl store. They represented the school brilliantly, showing confidence, excellent manners and a real sense of pride in being part of the Sarum St Paul's community. We are very proud of how they conducted themselves and are grateful to Lidl for including our pupils in this special event. Please see below for a write up of the event from Julia and Sharon.

We are also looking ahead to some important events. Information about our upcoming parents' evenings will be circulated next week so that you have plenty of notice to make arrangements. We are also very much looking forward to celebrating World Book Day next week, which is always a wonderful opportunity to share our love of reading across the school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are looking forward to another busy and rewarding term ahead.

Best wishes,

Mrs Easthope

Dates For Your Diary:

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Monday 9th March – Year 5 and 6 Trip to Salisbury Cathedral

Friday 13th March – Year 1 and 1 Voices Inspire Trip to Salisbury Cathedral

Wednesday 18th March – Year R Height and Weight Checks with the School Nurse

Wednesday 25th March – Coffee Morning with the Senior Leadership Team

Thursday 26th March – Easter Service (am)

Friday 27th March – INSET Day

English as an Additional Language (EAL) Parent Forum

Our school highly values the contribution the parents in our school community make and therefore we are starting a Parents Forum for parents whose first language is not English. We will meet each term to discuss how school can best support and celebrate the diversity of language and culture within our community.

Thank you for the many parents who have shown an interest in joining the group, the first meeting will be on

Friday 20th March at 2:30pm.

We hope to see you there, Mrs McClelland

Money Owing to School

We would like to remind parents and carers to please check their child's school lunch SchoolMoney account regularly and ensure that any outstanding balances are kept up to date. Where debts exceed £50, a reminder will be issued via SchoolMoney. If the balance remains unpaid, a reminder letter will then be sent by email. If this becomes an ongoing concern, we will invite parents and carers to meet with us so that we can work together to resolve the situation and offer support where needed. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us manage this effectively for the benefit of the whole school community.



New kids online safety website launched as part of government campaign

A website has been launched to encourage regular conversations about children's online activities and support with the following:

- tips for parents' conversations with their children
- actions to support each stage of their child's life
- parental controls information

Please click here to access the website: [Kids online safety](https://www.kidsonlinesafety.campaign.gov.uk) or go to www.kidsonlinesafety.campaign.gov.uk



Forest Schools

Due to World Book Day, there will be no Forest School session next week.

Forest School will continue the following week.

Lidl Opening Event by Julia and Sharon

On Thursday 26th February, SSP's School Council from Year 3 to Year 6 were invited to the opening of Lidl.

We had to arrive at 7.30am. We were greeted by the manager and entered the store, visiting the bakery which was filled with different sweet smells. Inside there was a huge freezer which was minus 24 degrees and we got to go inside!

Then we got to go out the back of the shop and see where the customers are not allowed to go. We were shown two machines, one was for recycling and the other was for circulating air around the store. We found out that the majority of their packaging gets recycled and they also have solar panels making the store sustainable.

We had a tour of the rest of the store and were then given goodie bags to take home. It was the best day ever!



Parenting in the Digital World

On **Monday 16th March**, Richard Pomfrett, who did the Online Safety presentations for KS2, is going to be holding a parent workshop on zoom.

Below are the details. There will be a letter sent out next week with more info.

Richard is very keen for parent to know that there is NO requirement to have cameras on during the session and that it is designed to provide you with as much information and advice as possible to help you make informed decisions and choices about your children's digital lives.

He is a parent himself and fully understands the pressure on parents to keep up with this ever changing digital world.

Parenting in the Digital World - Sarum St Paul's CE Primary School

Date/Time: 16.03.26 - 7 PM

Richard Pomfrett is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88442411255?pwd=y9YVRc21JCdRRVGv72vC6oiPc7Fatu.1>

Meeting ID: 884 4241 1255

Passcode: 619492

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March 🌟

We are so excited to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 5th March!

This year, our theme is Reading for Pleasure, and we can't wait to spend the day sharing stories, discovering new books, and celebrating the joy that reading brings.

To help us celebrate, children are invited to come dressed as:

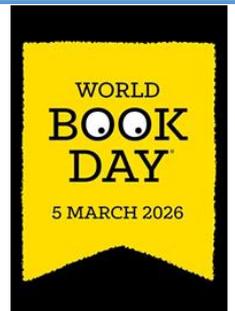
📖 Their favourite book character

📖 A favourite book

👕 Or in cosy reading clothes or pyjamas

Let's fill our school with imagination, adventure and the magic of stories as we enjoy a whole day dedicated to reading for fun!

We can't wait to see everyone's wonderful outfits and share our love of books together. ✨



FOSSP – Friends of Sarum St Paul’s - please join their FOSSP Facebook page.



Used Uniform Sale – this will be happening most Friday’s. Please check the FOSSP Facebook page to check if it is on. For this to be possible, the gates will be open until 3.45pm. Uniform will be sold from the mobile classroom.

Fairy Cake Friday – if you are in **Year 1**, please bring in cakes next week (Friday 6th March).

Easter Scavenger Hunt – on Thursday 26th March. More details to follow.



Our Safeguarding Team

Safeguarding is at the heart of everything we do in school. Our Safeguarding Team is responsible for making sure every child feels safe, supported and listened to. We work closely with staff, families and outside agencies to promote children’s wellbeing, respond to any worries or concerns and ensure the right help is in place when it is needed.

If you ever have a concern about a child’s safety or wellbeing, no matter how small it may seem, please speak to a member of the safeguarding team or contact us via our dedicated safeguarding email at safeguarding@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk. We are always here to listen and to work with you to keep our children safe.



Mrs Easthope
Headteacher



Miss Martindale
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Field
Business Manager



Mrs Beales
SENCO



Mrs Newman
Family Link Worker

Our Family Link Worker – Helping You to Help Your Child

There are times when, for any number of reasons, families may experience difficulties and need some support or advice. Our Family Link Worker, Debbie Newman, is here to help as she has many years’ experience supporting families with all kinds of questions and problems, big and small.

Debbie can help with:

- Guidance about children’s behaviour or additional needs, attendance and punctuality, routines and bedtime. All of which can affect how your child gets on at school.
- Concerns about starting school, transition between year groups or moving to another school.
- Filling in forms such as i.e. Disability Living Allowance (DLA).
- Finding support and information about other difficulties such as money worries, housing, family relationships or health issues.
- Acting as a link between families and school: help you talk to your child’s teacher or school and can accompany you to important meetings.
- Information about what’s on offer through school and in the wider community; activities and opportunities for children, parents and families; local services and community groups, parenting advice/courses and groups.
- Meet with you in your own home, in school or somewhere else where you feel most comfortable.

“As the saying goes, two heads are better than one. Any problem, large or small, bring it along and between us we will try to find a solution. Be assured that anything you say will be in confidence and with respect.”



Debbie works all day on a Tuesday and a Wednesday morning. Find Debbie on the KS2 playground before school on a Tuesday morning and she will be on the KS1 door on Wednesday mornings. To contact Debbie, you can ring or text her on 07752158827, email dnewman@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk or alternatively, contact the school office and we can put you in touch.