

This week in school



On Monday a team of elves from Home Instead Salisbury came to collect Christmas cards and trees made by our after-school club and Year 6 pupils. These will be given to residents of the local care homes who are on their own this Christmas.

Our school choir performed at a concert at Sarum Academy on Tuesday evening, organised by Salisbury Radio. They are such a talented group of pupils and represented our school very well. Their song has been entered into a competition; it can be downloaded from the radio's website for £1.

There is something incredibly special about an EYFS/KS1 Nativity! We were bursting with pride as we watched our younger pupils sing, act and perform to a huge audience of proud parents, grandparents and siblings.



Glass Water Bottles

Please do not send your child into school with a glass water bottle. One was broken in the hall this week and children could have been hurt from the pieces of glass scattered across the hall. We thank you for your understanding.

End of Term Christmas Events

- **Class parties!** Children can wear non-school uniform on this day. Keep an eye on Seesaw for more information.

| Class | Party day | Any extra information |
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| Year R | Tuesday 19 th December | Games afternoon |
| Year 3 | Tuesday 19 th December | |
| Year 4 | Wednesday 20 th December | |
| Year 5 | Wednesday 20 th December | Bring in a party food item |
| Year 6 | Wednesday 20 th December | |

- **YR/Y1** are having a trip to **Salisbury market square** on Monday 18th December for a hot chocolate and to look at the Christmas decorations.
- 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 (they will be there for a rehearsal during the day). Families across the school are welcome to attend, no tickets needed. Key Stage 2 pupils need to arrive at the church between 5.30 and 5.45pm in school uniform (although some children have specific roles and they have been given a school costume). There will be a collection at the end for our chosen charities.
- **Christmas lunch** is on Tuesday 19th December. All children will be involved in the event and given a cracker whether they have ordered a school lunch or brought a lunchbox from home. Children are invited to bring in festive items to wear to the lunch (head boppers, tinsel, festive jumper, Christmas glasses).

We really understand how busy this time of year is for you all. Please do ring the school office or speak to a member of staff at the door if you have any questions or are not sure of something. We are all juggling so much and have lots to think about so it's better to ask than be overwhelmed or worried about something.

PH Sport Vacancy

PH Sport are looking to recruit a second member of staff to support in the running of the after-school club. Please tell family and friends. It is important this vacancy is filled so that club numbers do not have to be restricted. Please contact Mrs Field on admin@sarum-st-pauls.wilts.sch.uk to put you in contact with PH Sports.

Forest Schools

Remember that from next term the sessions are moving to a **Friday morning**. The first session of 2024 will be on **Friday 5th January** with **Y4**. Please dress for the weather!

End of Term

The last day of the term is Wednesday 20th December. Children are invited to be collected at 1.30pm however, please notify the school office if your child/ren will be collected later. The new term begins again on Thursday 4th January.

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.



School Events – Photos and Videos

We have had lots of festive events with parents this month and we have enjoyed celebrating with you all. Whilst we allow photographs and filming to take place, please be reminded that photographs of other people's children should not be shared on social media platforms without the other parents' permission.

This is my last newsletter of 2023. What another hugely successful and happy year at Sarum St Paul's School. Our community continues to flourish and thrive. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the wonderful staff at SSP who always go above and beyond for our pupils to enrich and widen experiences and opportunities. You all deserve a restful break!

Next week we say goodbye to Miss Martindale who begins her maternity leave, we can't wait to hear the news of her little girl's arrival. We wish her all the best for the coming weeks and send our love to her family.

See you in 2024!

Kind regards,

Mrs E Weavers