

Learners of the Week

Ash Class: Elliott, an amazing Athlete
Oak Class: Finlay, a marvellous Musician
Beech Class: Nico, a super Mathematician
Chestnut Class: Stephanie, an amazing Artist
Sycamore Class: Diego, a fantastic Philosopher



Rock Steady

We had a wonderful time this week with our visit from Rocksteady. The whole school were treated to a musical assembly and then workshops for them to form their own bands. We are delighted that so many pupils have signed up to take part and can't wait for future performances!

Next Week's Menu

WHISKED	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	BIG BREAKFAST	MEATBALL PASTA BAKE	BEEF LASAGNE	HOT DOG	FISH FINGERS AND CHIPS
SIDES	BAKED BEANS	BROCCOLI	GREEN BEANS	BROCCOLI	BAKED BEANS OR GARDEN PEAS
MEAT-FREE	VEGGIE BIG BREAKFAST	MAC 'N' CHEESE	VEGGIE LASAGNE	VEGGIE DOG	QUORN NUGGETS AND CHIPS
DESSERTS	FROSTED BANANA SQUARE	HARLE CAKE	FRUIT JELLY	SPRINKLE CAKE	CHOCOLATE CHIP BITES
AVAILABLE DAILY	FRESH BAKED BAGUETTE <small>Choose from 3 types</small>	HOMEMADE FRESH BREAD ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY FROM THE BREAD STATION	OUR MEAT IS RED TRACTOR APPROVED	Autumn / Winter 2025_26 WEEK THREE 3 Dates: 12/11 - 8/12 19/11 - 9/2 - 2/3 23/3	
HOT PASTA BAR <small>Handmade cooked pasta served in a homemade sugar 7 tomato sauce.</small>	OVEN BAKED JACKET POTATO <small>CHOOSE: served plain / with cheese / with beans / with ketchup</small>	ALLERGENS & INTOLERANCES <small>At Caversham we take food allergies and intolerances very seriously. If your child has any food allergies or intolerances you need to make it aware prior to sending any food with us. We have a full breakdown of the 14 allergens on our allergy school menu list on our website www.caversham.co.uk</small>	SCAN ME FOR ALLERGEN INFORMATION	WHISKED by Caversham	
ALTERNATIVE DESSERT <small>Wholesome fresh fruit available</small>	SALAD TABLE <small>Choose from 3 options: Chicken / Turkey / Veggie / Tomato / Wholesome</small>				



Oak Class Curriculum Showcase

We are delighted to let you know that we will be celebrating the work in our Oak Class on Thursday 11th at 2:45pm. Please do come along if you are able and sign in via the school office.



Flu Vaccines

As you already know, Flu vaccines are taking place on Friday 12th December. If you have missed the deadline to sign up you can make contact via: 030012470082 before 11th December.

Christmas Fayre

A reminder of our festive event, on Friday 12th December. Please collect your children as usual from the playground and then come on round to the school hall where there will be plenty to get you in the festive spirit, including songs from our Gomeldon Christmas Choir!

Well-being

Please see attached for helpful parent information

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

When parents and carers finally have the chance to spend some quality time with their child over Christmas, many face a familiar struggle to prise their young one's attention away from their phone, console, tablet or computer. Fun family bonding over the festive period, however, doesn't have to exclude devices. There are sackfuls of Christmas activities and ideas online which grown-ups and children can enjoy together. We've compiled our own 'nice list' of seasonal suggestions for how to...

MAKE THE MOST OF THE ONLINE WORLD THIS CHRISTMAS

1 EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY

Budding bakers will relish helping out in the kitchen with some tasty festive treats. Spend some time together researching child-friendly Christmas recipes online (the BBC Good Food site is an excellent place to start), and then you and your little elves can rustle up gingerbread santas, marshmallow snowmen or reindeer shortbread. The only thing that's more fun is eating your creations afterwards!

WHEN THE SNOWMAN BRINGS THE SNOW...

2 THE OLD SONGS ARE THE BEST?

We've all had that Christmas compilation CD that was almost perfect, if it wasn't inexplicably missing one of your best-loved tracks. In this era of music streaming, however, your little helpers can assist you in compiling a definitive playlist of all your favourite seasonal songs – no more pining for The Pretenders or wishing for Wizard.

3 DECK THE HALLS

There's no such thing as 'too many' Christmas trimmings! Let your child channel their excitement into some creative crafting, and you'll make memories as well as your own DIY decorations. There are loads of step-by-step guides online (including video walkthroughs on YouTube) for seasonal showpieces like paper plate angels, handprint wreaths and cupcake wrapper Christmas trees.

4 A WORLD OUTSIDE YOUR WINDOW

From turkey on the beach in Australia to roller-skating to church in Venezuela, Christmas is celebrated in a variety of ways worldwide – curious youngsters might enjoy discovering other nations' festive traditions online. Google's Santa Tracker is a brilliant (and free) starting point, with games, activities and animations to help children enjoy learning as they count down to the big day!

5 THE NEAR AND THE DEAR ONES

Between time constraints, distance, the weather and Covid precautions (or a combination of all four) for many families it just won't be possible to physically spend time with everyone they'd ideally like to this Christmas. Video calling technology, of course, takes some of the sting out of the disappointment by virtually transporting loved ones into your living room.

6 KIDS FROM ONE TO 92

If Santa's brought your young ones a console this year (or they already had one), it's a perfect excuse for some quality time while they gleefully trounce you at FIFA or Mario Kart. Digital versions of traditional board games like Monopoly and Cluedo are available on most platforms, too; get the whole household together for a modern take on some old-school family fun.

7 A WINTER'S TALE

Everyone enjoys a story at this time of year: after all, the whole celebration is based on an engrossing yarn. Sites such as Audible are an excellent way of entertaining excited young ones, with classics like Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* and seasonal short stories by Enid Blyton alongside more contemporary Christmas tales by the likes of Tom Fletcher, JK Rowling and Ben Miller.

8 CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THOSE FACES

People used to express their gratitude for a thoughtful Christmas gift with a thank you card or a dutiful phone call. Not in the digital age: now your relations can see first-hand on video calls how delighted the children are with their presents – and even how they look in that slightly questionable hand-knitted pullover.

9 BROUGHT ME SOME CORN FOR POPPIN'

Snuggling up against the winter weather with the family (and a generous helping of chocolates) to enjoy a well-loved movie is a delightful Christmas tradition. The usual streaming services have some classic candidates on offer: *Home Alone* and *The Santa Clause* are on Disney+, while Amazon Prime has *Elf* and *The Grinch*, and Netflix goes with *The Princess Switch* and *The Christmas Chronicles*.

10 GUESS WHAT I FORGOT?

Friends and family pitting their wits against each other on Zoom, Teams or Skype really took off during lockdown, so why not revive the tradition over the holidays? Your questions could be on the biggest news, sport and showbiz stories of 2021, or be Christmas themed, or you could stick to classic general knowledge. Ideal for those days between Christmas and New Year.



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Gomeldon dates for your diary

Please note that some dates may be subject to change

8.12.25	Nativity performance @ 2:30pm
9.12.25	Nativity performance @ 9:30am
11.12.25	Oak Class Curriculum Showcase 2:45 – 3:15pm
12.12.25	Flu Vaccines
12.12.25	Christmas Fayre
16.12.25	Christmas Carol Concert for Years 4, 5 and 6 @6pm
17.12.25	Christmas Lunch and wear your Christmas Jumper
22.12.25 – 4.1.26	Christmas Holidays
5.1.26	First day of Term 3
13.2.26	TD Day – no school for pupils
16.2.26 – 22.2.26	February Half Term Holiday
23.2.26	First Day of Term 4
5.3.26	World Book Day
17.3.26 & 19.3.26	Parent Consultation Meetings – 3:40pm – 6:00pm
30.3.26 – 12.4.26	Easter Holidays
13.4.26	First Day of Term 5
11.5.26	SATs week for Year 6
18.5.26	Class Photographs
25.5.26 – 31.5.26	May Half Term Holiday
1.6.26	TD Day – no school for pupils
2.6.26	First Day of Term 6 for Pupils
17 – 19.6.25	Avon Tyrrell Residential – Year 5 and 6
16.7.26	End of Year Disco and Y6 Leavers party
20.7.26	Year 6 Leavers assembly @ 2:40pm
21.7.26	Last day of school for pupils
22.7.26	TD Day – no school for pupils



Christmas *at*

The SALISBURY MUSEUM

As Christmas and the festive season draw near, we're delighted to warmly welcome all our visitors. Whether the weather isn't quite so merry and bright, or you're simply looking for a change of scene, come and enjoy Christmas at The Salisbury Museum.

Sir Charlie Stinky Socks

Saturday 06 December, 11am & 2pm

Step into a joyful quest with Kristina Stephenson and our favourite knight, Sir Charlie Stinky Socks, with interactive storytelling, dressing up, songs, surprises and plenty of giggles!

Pre-booking essential

Tickets: Adults £8, Children £6, Under 5s Free

Tickets include admission to the museum

Christmas Takeover

Our studio creative space is yours! Enjoy an entire room full of dressing up, block building, Christmas arts and crafts, and a cosy book corner. Open to all ages for stay-and-play fun!

Nutcracker Trail

Can you find them all? Spot the hidden nutcrackers around the museum and unlock a prize!

Under Fives Friday

Christmas Music Special!

Friday 12 December, 10-11.30am

Join musician Emily Askew for a joyful musical session for under-fives — with singing, dancing, and sleigh bells!

Discovery Day - Celebrations!

Tuesday 30 December, 10am -4pm

Make it. Wear it. Celebrate it!
Join us for a day packed with fun and creativity.



Our café is open, serving meals, snacks, mince pies, Christmas treats and delicious hot chocolate.

Christmas Opening Times

Open daily, 10am–5pm, including New Year's Day

Closed: 24, 25 & 26 December 2025

All events included in museum admission, and booking not needed unless stated otherwise.

See website for further details: salisburymuseum.org.uk



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London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art (LAMDA) Lessons

New Spaces Available!

Dear All,

We're excited to let you know that, we now have spaces available in our London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art- LAMDA speech & drama classes at your school.

These sessions are perfect for children who might need a boost in areas like clear speech, voice projection, or self-belief, as well as those who already enjoy drama and would benefit from developing their skills further.

What Happens in a LAMDA Lesson?

Each 20-minute weekly lesson is held during the school day usually in the afternoon, similar to how instrumental music lessons are organised.

Lessons are split into two engaging parts:

- Drama games and activities to develop confidence, creativity, and communication skills. These are enjoyable and fun!
- Performance practice focusing on vocal clarity, diction, expression and memory, through poetry or prose, which children practise and learn at home in small, manageable steps.

This layered learning builds valuable life skills such as self-discipline, independence, and presentation ability.

Optional Exams & Recognition

Our lessons prepare children for LAMDA exams, which are entirely optional. Those who do not take an exam still receive a homemade certificate in assembly to celebrate their hard work and growth. Exam fees will apply only to those who wish to be entered.

Current Schools & Feedback

LAMDA sessions are currently running at Pitton and Gomeldon Primary Schools, with our first group taking exams this July.

Both the head teachers and parents have given glowing feedback – head to the LAMDA page on www.dramaclubsalisbury.co.uk for all the testimonials!

Pricing:

£6 per lesson for small groups of up to 4 children. Childcare vouchers or tax free childcare vouchers can be used as payment. Payment is due in advance, half-termly or termly.

I'm offering a free taster session to take place before the children break up for Christmas.

Spaces are limited and have been very popular so please return as soon as possible. Any questions please do contact me

Warm wishes,Rosie Burgess

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✂----- Please Return to School Office or Email -----✂

I would like my child to participate in a free taster session with a view to start LAMDA.

Child's Name: _____

Year Group/Class: _____

Parent/Carer Name: _____

Contact Email: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Any additional notes (e.g., confidence, SEN, experience):

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Ms Levoir's Art Academy

Presents

Christmas Club!

Come and make some Christmas crafts with us!

Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th December 10am to 2pm. £20.

22nd, 23rd, 29th, 30th, 31st December 9 to 3pm. £35.

Old Sarum Community Centre SP4

Whatsapp 07801 800 640 to book.

Limited places as a maximum of 10 children in a group.

Like us on Facebook to see the work that we do and the fun that we have!

Ms Levoir is qualified Primary school teacher with an enhanced DBS and an international DBS