

# Salfords Snapshot

## HALF TERM

Today marks the end of our first half term, from lots of things new (uniform, shoes, haircuts and teachers) to autumn and harvest we are very pleased as Headteachers to see our children strive to 'Be Your Best'. This motto is also pertinent to our staff, families and community.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL

Today we enjoyed our seasonal Harvest Assemblies in school. We gave thanks for the natural world and the food we grow. Thank you for all the super donations to the St Matthew's Food Bank. Together we have shown our values of **kindness**, **respect**, **courage** and **excellence**.

## Y4 GREEK DAY

Well done to Harriers and Hawks classes who showed their prowess and creativity this morning with their Greek dance. Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to watch and show your support. Thank you too to Mrs Ghani and Mr Inker who have brought this topic of learning so alive for the children!

## ASSEMBLIES

Our Parent Handbook (emailed previously and available on our website) outlines:

Collective Worship is a strong element of English state schools; it is an opportunity to develop social, moral, spiritual and cultural education. Parents do have the right to withdraw their child from assemblies; if this is the case then parents must put this in writing. Once a year parents are invited to come in and watch a class assembly. **When parents watch their children in school, photography and videoing are permitted for parents' own personal use; no footage must be uploaded onto social network sites, including class pages.**

Mrs Christer leads a whole school assembly on Mondays which includes the celebration of outside achievements; children are invited to bring in certificates, trophies, badges and photos from outside clubs and activities.

Mrs Regnard leads a whole school assembly on Fridays where a 'Star of the week' is recognised from each class; these are linked to our school values.



## REASONS TO CHOOSE SALFORDS

#5of9 - KINDNESS: a school where we treat people with kindness

(As the generosity of harvest).

## GOING GREEK



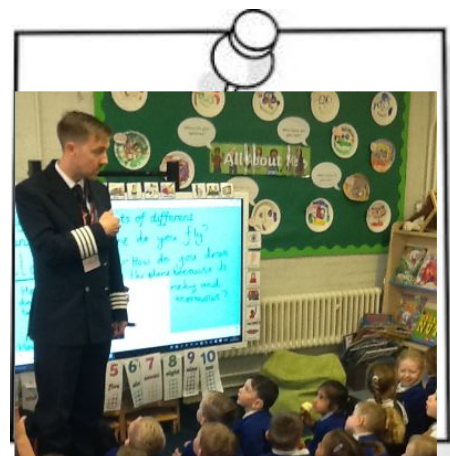
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At the end of term we hold a trophy assembly for EYFS, KS1 & KS2 and award trophies for different areas that children have achieved - parents of those children nominated will be notified and invited to the relevant assembly.

## UP, UP & AWAY

Last week Mr Butterfield came in to Wrens and Robins classes and talked to the children about his job as a pilot. This was to support their learning about jobs.

The children loved hearing all about this!



## USE OF SUPPLY TEACHERS

From time to time, it is necessary to use supply teachers. This may be due to sickness, in school monitoring or for training. We have a bank of our own supply teachers and also use a few local agencies. We are growing our bank of people that we are able to call on who we know are effective and able to support Salfords' high expectations of teaching and learning.

## UNIFORM & SHOES

Please ensure your child/ren have:

- **Black shoes;** low heels approximately 1 cm high. No sling-backs, boots or plastic beach shoes. At no time are trainers allowed except for outdoor sports. No logos and please choose shoes that can be polished.

## PARENT MEETINGS

Fri 9th November: Times Tables workshop 9am & 2.30pm - whole school invited. Mrs Reynolds will present expectations and ideas for supporting learning at home.

## 100 YEAR ARMISTICE DAY COMMEMORATIONS

On Sunday 11th November the nation will be commemorating 100 years since the end of World War I. On Saturday 10th November from 10-10.30am Salfords and Sidlow Parish Council are holding a community commemorative event at Salfords Station; this coincides with GT Railway providing a silent soldier memorial. Mrs Regnard will be doing a reading at this event and we have been asked if children would like to sing. This is open to all members of our school community - please see separate letter which will be distributed after half term.



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## OPEN MORNINGS

Come and see how we support everyone to 'Be Your Best' at one of our forthcoming open mornings - these are aimed at families whose children are due to start school in September 2019, or for families looking for places in alternative year groups. Our dates are:

- **Friday November 23rd 2018 at 9am**
- **Wednesday January 9th 2019 at 9am**

Please book via the office 01737 762940 or [info@salfordsschool.org](mailto:info@salfordsschool.org)

Small group tours are also available.

## FOOTBALL & NETBALL MATCHES

We have several matches planned against other schools. We always welcome support from as many people as possible, including pupils who are not in the teams.

## FAMILY COUNCIL

We are pleased to invite parents and carers to our first official Family Council meetings on Wednesday 28th November at 2.15pm and 7.00pm to support a range of families. Our focus will be updating parents on the progress of our School Development Plan (SDP) which is in response to parental requests.

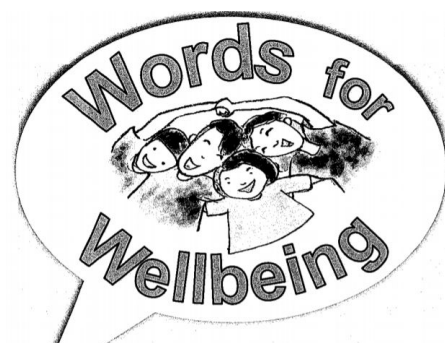
## VOLUNTEER HELPERS

Our Year 1 and 2 classes are really in need of some more volunteer helpers to hear readers. Some of our year groups have set up a rota of parents and carers (this can include grandparents for example). Please talk to the class teachers if you can help.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### #WORDS4WELLBEING

Surrey Communication and Language in Education Study (SCALES) are holding a pop up exhibition 'Words for Wellbeing' at the Lightbox in Woking on Saturday 10th November 10.30am-5pm. Parents, pupils and practitioners are invited to go along to explore the importance of language for social and emotional wellbeing.



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## DATES & EVENTS

<b>October 2018</b>	
Mon 22nd Oct	HALF TERM
Mon 29th Oct	INSET day - school closed for children & SCC Primary School applications open
Tues 30th Oct	Back to school for children
Wed 31st Oct	SCC Secondary applications close (advised to do by Fri 19th Oct)
<b>November 2018</b>	
Thurs 1st Nov	PTA Christmas Fair Planning Meeting 19.30 at the Mill House Pub
Tues 6th Nov	4-7pm Parents' Evening: booking system open after half term
Wed 7th Nov	Bonfire Cake Stall (Cakes to be provided by years 2 and 3)
Thurs 8th Nov	4-7pm Parents' Evening: booking system open after half term
Fri 9th Nov	9am & 2.30pm Times Tables expectations & PTA donation & mufti day for all
Fri 16th Nov	Children in Need
Fri 23rd Nov	Open morning for prospective parents
Sat 24th Nov	PTA Christmas Fair 12pm-2.30pm
<b>December 2018</b>	
Tues 4th Dec	EYFS performance x 2 - parents to watch
Thurs 6th Dec	KS1 performance x 2 - parents to watch
Fri 7th Dec	KS1 performance x 1 - parents to watch
Wed 12th Dec	KS2 carol concert at church x 2 Y3/4 & Y5/6
Thurs 13th Dec	PTA Christmas Discos
Tues 18th Dec	Christmas lunch & party afternoon
Wed 19th Dec	Trophy Assembly 12.10pm end of Autumn term
<b>January 2019</b>	
Mon 7th Jan	Start of Spring Term for children & staff
Tues 15th Jan	SCC Primary School applications close

Have a great half term break, please take a rest ready for the challenges of Autumn 2 and the run up to the festive period!

How about this week:

- having a lounge picnic
- going to the library
- going on an autumn walk
- painting or drawing a poppy for the 100 year armistice day celebrations (please bring to school for Mrs Regnard)



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- playing some board games
- running/jumping/hopping - being active
- enjoying a film with family and friends?

GO FOR IT!

**Claire Regnard & Carrie Christer**

**Co-Headteachers**



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