

# Salfords Snapshot

## LANGUAGE OF THE WEEK

The expectations of children's use and understanding of language is key to their learning success. This week we are exploring the term '**tolerance**' which is another aspect of British Values. This is defined as:

*"Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith."*

## Open-mindedness, lack of prejudice.

This is achieved at Salfords through enhancing pupils understanding of their place in a culturally diverse society and by giving them opportunities to experience such diversity. Assemblies and discussions involving prejudices and prejudice-based issues have been followed and supported by learning in RE and SMSC. Members of different faiths or religions are encouraged to share their knowledge to enhance learning.

## MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Next week is national Mental Health Week entitled **Healthy: Inside and Out**

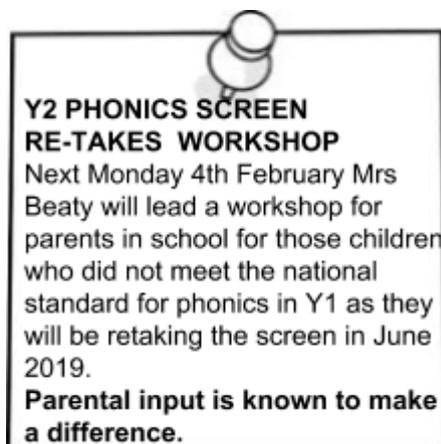
When we think about healthy living, we tend to focus on looking after our bodies – our physical wellbeing – through food, being active and getting enough sleep. However, to be healthy overall, it's important that we look after our minds – our mental wellbeing – too.

Through next week the children are being asked to 'show and tell' in class something that makes them feel good (Mrs Regnard modelled this in assembly on Thursday e.g. her pet rabbit).

## ADVERSE WEATHER & EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE

There may be times when the weather is so severe, e.g. very heavy snowfall, that it is considered that the health and safety of pupils and staff are best served by closing the school. It is the Co-Headteachers' decision in these circumstances, who communicate directly with the Caretaker.

**Plan A** - the school opens as normal as enough staff are able to get into work safely



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**Plan B** - the school opens late and we notify staff and parents the day before or as early as possible in the morning - in this event the day may look like:

Breakfast Club will not be open

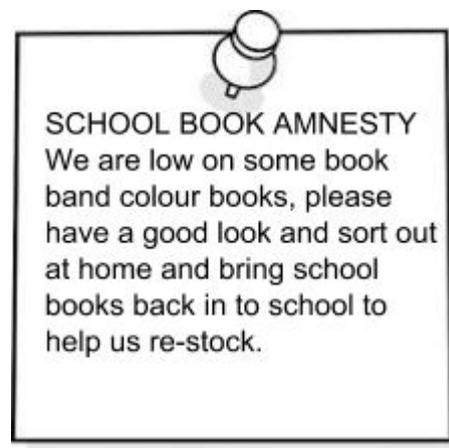
9.35am doors open

9.50am doors close

10am registers close

**Plan C** - is the school is closed

Any amendments to the school day will be posted on our school website, an email/text will be sent to parents and the local authority informed.



## BAD PRESS

We are aware of a Surrey News article that is circulating. We were completely unaware of this and are outraged. The KS2 data utilised is from the past and is incomparable. Our EYFS, phonics and KS1 data are all in line or above national for the last few years.

We are all working incredibly hard to rapidly improve the provision at our school. At our GLF School Effectiveness Review this week the team were complimented for their passion and dedication.

## LANGUAGES

We are able to speak English and at least 25 other languages in our school - such an achievement! As we develop our new curriculum in school we shall be celebrating our cultural dimension. Here are a few examples:

Hello - English

Hola - Spanish

Dzień dobry - Polish

Kamusta - Filipino

હેલો Gujarati

**KINDNESS, RESPECT, COURAGE, EXCELLENCE**

**These are our school values and we expect these to be shown to our neighbours too.**

We have had another complaint from a neighbour about inconsiderate parking from parents across driveways and verges and not leaving sufficient gaps for cars to pass - this is a huge safety risk. **Parents and carers are requested not to**

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**smoke in view of our school building** which includes the opposite pavements and all litter must be taken home. Salfords Primary School is building its positive reputation locally and we need all the support we can get.

## SWANS & CYGNETS

Our Swans & Cygnets community group comprises of a group of school parents who are keen to raise the profile of the school by encouraging our children to engage in supporting our local community and by involving them in activities that work alongside our house values:



They warmly invite you to their next meeting on Thursday 7th February at 8pm in the Mill House where they are planning for the Horley Carnival in June. They would love to see some new faces, even if you'd just be there to find out what they do. All suggestions and offers of help are welcome.

## SCHOOL SHOES

Please ensure you name your child/ren's school shoes - these can get muddled in PE just like jumpers!



## CHILDREN WITH MOBILE PHONES IN SCHOOL

We are currently looking at our mobile phone policy in school. Children with mobile phones must currently bring these to the office at the beginning of the day and collect them at the end of the day. **The use of mobile phones by children is not permitted in school.**



## TERM DATES 2019/20

We are finalising our term dates for the next academic year 2019/20. We have confirmed:

- Monday 2nd September INSET for staff
- Tuesday 3rd September INSET for staff
- Wednesday 4th September: Y1 to Y6 children in school (YR TBC)
- October half term is Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November
- Christmas holidays are Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January 2020



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## HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING AT HOME

Safe Use of Internet and Social Media - please see the attached information leaflet. We shall distribute paper copies of these next week.

The internet and social media are a huge part of our lives now and can add to them positively. Equally we need to ensure we as adults support our children to use all aspects respectfully.

Most common apps have age restrictions which are set to safeguard children:

- Facebook: age 13
- Instagram: age 13
- SnapChat: age 13
- Whatsapp: age 16

### Think Before You Share

I will thoughtfully consider what I share and with whom, and keep extra-sensitive information to myself (such as my home address, current location, or other people's business).

### Check it's For Real

I will watch out for phishing and scams, and report questionable activity every time.

### Protect Your Stuff

I will take responsibility for protecting important information by crafting strong and unique passwords with characters, numbers, and symbols.

### Respect Each Other

I will spread positivity and use the skills I have learned to block and report negative behaviours.

### When in Doubt, Discuss

I will use my voice when I notice inappropriate behavior and seek out a trusted adult to discuss situations that make me uncomfortable. Because that's what it takes to be a safe and fearless explorer of the online world.

## DATES & EVENTS

All dates are subject to change: please check carefully.

Date	Activity
Monday 4th February	Mental Health Week: 'show and tell' what makes you feel good 9am AB leading Y2 phonics workshop Y6 Bikeability offer commences
Wednesday 6th February	9am & 5pm Y2 SATs presentation to parents ESSENTIAL for all Y2 parents in Y2 classroom 12-3pm KS2 gymnastics competition at Donyngs 6pm Y6 SATs presentation to parents ESSENTIAL for all Y6 parents in Y6 classroom
Thursday 7th February	p.m Science Fair here
Tuesday 12th February	Y3 & 4 Able Maths day KS2 Cross Country practice at Priory Park
Thursday 14th February	Valentines Day Y4, 5, 6 PTA cake sale after school Football Match at home, please come and support
Friday 15th February	End of half term 3.10pm

**HALF TERM: Monday 18th - Friday 22nd February**



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Date	Activity
Monday 25th February	Start of Spring 2 Football Match
Tuesday 26th February	KS2 Cross Country race at Priory Park
Thursday 28th February	Yr 3 Swimming Commences 9am & 6pm - Yr 4 Residential Meeting for Parents
Friday 1st March	9am - Maths input for parents in hall then 'classes in action' - parents invited to classes to support maths learning (up to 10am)
From Monday 4th March	PTA silver challenge starts
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 8th March	9am English SPAG workshop for parents (about 30/45 mins)
Monday 11th March	INSET: no school for children
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 20th March	Choir members at VIAM - London
Monday 25th March	Yr 6 Junior Citizen Trip
Tuesday 26th March	Yr 5 Sparkfish Easter Experience
Thursday 28th & Friday 29th March	Y4 residential trip
Monday 1st April	GLF Science Fair
Wednesday 3rd April	PTA egg hunt after school
Friday 5th April	Trophy assemblies End of Spring term 12.10pm

**EASTER HOLIDAYS: Monday 8th - Monday 22nd April**

Summer Term starts - Tuesday 23rd April

## PTA UPDATE

### [Quiz night](#)

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A huge thanks to everyone who attended and helped out at the quiz night last week, we raised over £457.00 which is fantastic – a great night was had by all! To Mr Welch and Mrs Peyton in particular for being quiz masters & markers extraordinaire!

## Valentines Day cake stall

In the playground after school on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. Cakes to be provided by years 4, 5 & 6 please! We still need volunteers to make sure this event can run and raise money for the school so if you can spare an some time on the day (probably less than an hour!) please can you let Nicky Chiswick know or email [ptassociation@salfordsschool.org](mailto:ptassociation@salfordsschool.org) – thanks!

## Chrome books

The PTA are so excited that we could fund the leasing of a set of Chrome Tablets for the use of the children and assisted in also getting the teachers a Chromebook for each class. This has enabled the children to be able to complete tablet based work and the teachers to be more flexible in their teaching and planning. These amazing things are what the PTA can fund and do with your help.

**Claire Regnard & Carrie Christer**

**Co-Headteachers**

*Please use Amazon Smile to support our school.*

