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KINDNESS, RESPECT, COURAGE, EXCELLENCE

GLF SCIENCE FAIR

What an amazing experience 16 of our children had on Monday at the GLF Science Fair. It took part at the Royal Holloway University and was full of science enrichment with key speakers, experiments and activities. A huge well done to Mr Welch who, in his new role as joint GLF Science Lead, organised and led the day with his usual enthusiasm. We were delighted that our Salfords overall winner Jay won his category of 'materials' at the GLF Fair!

A message from our CEO, Jon Chaloner: *what a pleasure to see 420 children and students from 28 schools taking part in the GLF Science Fair finals. It has grown into the largest single event in our calendar bringing our children together across the Trust. It was encouraging to see the number of parents, families, staff and trustees attending the event.*

FAMILY COUNCIL MEETINGS

A modest number of people attended our termly Family Council meetings on Wednesday and Thursday; thank you for the useful dialogue. The Co-Headteachers shared an update on the school's progress - you will find a summary of our School Development Plan (SDP) attached. We also shared some comments from recent effectiveness reviews from GLF:

- There is strong teaching in the school and the leadership team has a relentless focus on improving the teaching in all year groups through high quality CPD.
- Leaders across the school are passionate and dedicated, they are committed to improving the school and there is evidence of improvements.
- Validation from GLF EYFS lead that provision is now good.

SCHOOL FUNDING

A couple of weeks ago we sent a letter linked with the 'Worthless' campaign asking parents to lobby their MP about the huge shortfall in school funding - please email crispinbluntmp@parliamnet.uk outlining your concerns for your child's education - which is a 'one chance'. Parents are requested to do this on an individual basis as individual replies must be provided by the MP.



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SCHOOL BASED MUSIC LESSONS

As we seek to develop the enrichment opportunities at Salfords, music is one area we are developing. Mrs Chovil already provides woodwind lessons during the school day on a Tuesday; please enquire at the office. Surrey County Arts also provide peripatetic music teachers to a school if there is sufficient interest from parents. We will be setting up a meeting in school in the summer term, in the meantime please go to <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/culture-and-leisure/arts> and go to the Music Lessons for Schools tab.

SCHOOL TRIPS

With our review of the curriculum, we are planning that each year group attends at least one trip in a school year to further enliven their learning experiences. These trips can only take place with funding from parents and carers; although our letters say 'voluntary contribution' without additional funding from parents, trips may have to be cancelled.

CLUBS

The school clubs list has been distributed today. We are working hard to expand our clubs and provide opportunities for our younger children and include fee paying clubs.

DONATION REQUESTS FOR EYFS

Our Reception Classes (Wrens and Robins) would be delighted to receive donations of:

- junk modelling boxes, plastic milk bottles, toilet rolls, egg cartons, containers, boxes etc.
- role play costumes/dress up items - old shirts, fabric, chunky necklaces, purses, bags, scarves etc
- wooden train sets and trains

Reception parents are also reminded to use Tapestry to send in any observations or wow moments that happen at home. If you require your log in again please inform one of the team.

FAREWELL & GOOD LUCK

Today we have said goodbye to Mrs Fry, she has worked at Salfords since September 2016. Her dedication and enthusiasm have supported our school to its improved position today. We wish her luck in her new role.

LOST PROPERTY

There's a large number of unnamed items in lost property. Items will be out in reception during the first week back. Please claim any lost items and remember to name all clothing.

DEMOLITION OF OLD LILIPUTS

We have been informed that hoarding will be erected around the old Liliputs site at the back of the school from next week and demolition works will commence soon afterwards. Please be vigilant and inform us of any issues.

SCHOOL ZIG ZAG LINES

Under no circumstances must cars park on the zig zag lines either at the front or the back of the school as these are there for the safety and protection of our families as they cross the road - please spend 5 more minutes if you are parking a car.

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BOOK BANDING SYSTEM FOR READING BOOKS

In our big tidy and sort out of reading books this week we have been able to add books to the book band system - some schemes use a different colour system so you need to go by the coloured sticker on the side. The staff have a comprehensive chart of the aligned books. Happy reading!

EASTER ASSEMBLIES

This week we held two Easter Assemblies for the infants and juniors - this was a celebration of the changing season of spring and a reflection on the Christian time of Easter.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

In the summer term each class will be holding a class assembly and would like to invite parents and carers on the designated afternoon from 2.30pm in the school hall. This is an opportunity for the children to showcase their learning and develop their speaking, performing and confidence skills. The dates are as follows:

Date	Class
Tuesday 30th April	Ospreys: Mrs Patel
Tuesday 2nd May	Kites: Mr Baker
Thursday 9th May	Harriers: Mrs Ghani
Tuesday 14th May	Wrens: Miss Halpin
Thursday 16th May	Owls: Miss Dawkes
Tuesday 21st May	Robins: Mr Welch
Thursday 23rd May	Kestrels: Miss Piggott
Tuesday 11th June	Bullfinches: Mrs Cross and Mrs Chester-Williams
Thursday 13th June	Hawks: Mr Inker
Tuesday 18th June	Sparrows: Mr Green
Thursday 20th June	Blue Jays: Miss Rose
Tuesday 25th June	Blackbirds: Miss Harvey
Thursday 27th June	Swifts: Miss Taylor
July dates TBC	Y6 production

SCHOOL REPORTS

Your child's school report has been issued today for Y1 to 6 (not Sparrows). Please return the completed parental comment slip to the office by Friday 26th April. We look forward to working together with you on your child's next steps.

LANGUAGE OF THE WEEK

Atonement - the action of making amends for a wrong or injury

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HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING AT HOME

Importance of reading and re-reading texts - it is now more important than ever that as well as reading words accurately that children read fluently at an appropriate pace. Re-reading school and home books supports children's memory of words and helps to up the pace of the reading. Remember the expected reading pace at the end of Y2 is 90 words per minute and by the end of Y6 it is 110 words per minute.

DATES & EVENTS

More dates will be added. All dates are subject to change: please check carefully.

Date	Activity
Monday 22nd April	Easter Monday - Bank Holiday - no school
Tuesday 23rd April	Summer Term begins - school open
Wednesday 24th April	Year 5 trip, as long as sufficient funds are paid by parents/carers
Tuesday 30th April	Year 1 trip, as long as sufficient funds are paid by parents/carers
Week of Monday 13th May	Y6 SATs week
Wednesday 22nd May	9am Open Morning for Nursery
Friday 24th May	MUFTI for PTA donation day - sports wear Fun sports Day with an Olympian visitor Finish Summer 1 at 3.10pm
Week of 27th May	HALF TERM
Saturday 8th June	Summer Fair
Wednesday 19th June	Sports Day
Tuesday 25th June	Y6 performance 9am and 6.30pm
Wednesday 26th June	Reserve Sports Day PTA Disco
Thursday 27th June	GLF Music Festival
Thursday 28th June	INSET Day - school closed for children
Week of 8th July	Y6 residential

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Wednesday 10th July	Parents afternoon/evening for Swifts (Y1), Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5
Thursday 11th July	Parents afternoon/evening for Swifts (Y1), Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5
Tuesday 16th July	Y6 Parents afternoon and evening
Wednesday 17th July	Y6 party after school
Friday 19th July	Last day of school year Trophy Assembly School finishes at 12.10pm

COMMUNITY NEWS

Horley Association of Traders - all children are invited to take part in the HATS colouring competition of a St George the Dragon. The form was sent out this week and all entries need to be returned to school on first day of term, Tuesday 23rd April. All entries must be returned to the office by 9am.

Surrey Library Easter Activities - Please see attached a fun-filled timetable of Easter activities taking place at your local libraries between Monday 8th and Thursday 18th April. Activities range from Jungle Craft and Crafty Storytime to Easter Bunny Sewing Craft.

Welcare Summer Term Courses - Please also see attached flyers for the summer term courses at Welcare. The following courses are now open for bookings.

- First Aid 14th May and 18th June
- Introducing Family Foods 9th May and 13th June

A limited number of places are still available on the 3 week Baby Massage course starting 16th April.

PTA UPDATE

Easter egg hunt

We hope everyone had a good time at the Easter egg hunt on Wednesday. We managed to avoid the rain even if it was a bit chilly! We made almost £200 in profit too so thank you to everyone for your support!

Happy Easter from all the PTA. We hope you have a good break and bring us some sunshine and warmth back from the summer term!

Have an amazing Easter break with family and friends - relax and enjoy! We will see you all refreshed and ready to go on Tuesday 23rd April - school gates are open 8.35am to 8.50am. Please be prompt.

Claire Regnard & Carrie Christer

Please use Amazon Smile to support our school.

Friday 5th April 2019



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Co-Headteachers



Co-Headteacher: Carrie Christer BA Hons (QTS) NPQH
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