



# SALTERSGATE INFANTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

Have we really only been back at school for one week?

This week has been a very busy one and this theme seems set to continue for the rest of the half term! We have celebrated our Spring Half Term SUPER Citizens and dressed up as historical figures in Reception as part of our curriculum launch. In Year 2 we have begun our re-enactments of the Great Fire of London and hope to avoid the rain next week in order for our final class to enjoy theirs (once we have confirmed a day we will text out the information).

We have also welcomed Miss MacGillivray to Year 1 and she has settled into Enormous Crocodiles class beautifully. A big thank you to the children and their parents for making her feel so welcome!

Please see the diary dates for key information on how we are supporting upcoming events such as World Book Day, Red Nose Day and Hydrocephalus Awareness, as well as Easter events. For all of these events we will ensure that fundraising activities are optional and dressing up is kept as simple as possible!

From Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March we are making some changes to both our PE and Forest School sessions. On their allocated day each class will take part in Forest School activities for part of the morning or afternoon alongside other curriculum activities. For children in Year 1 and Year 2, PE sessions will take place on the same day that they have their Forest School session. Please see the page within this newsletter for more information and for which day your child's class has their sessions.

Enjoy the weekend, welcoming in Spring!

Mrs Anderson

## Our Golden Citizens for next week(03.03.25)

Class	Golden Citizen
Superworms	Teddy P
Smartest Giants	Kai S
Gruffalos	Reggie B
Fantastic Foxes	Willow H
BFGs	Noah P
Enormous Crocodiles	Maisie G
Hungry Caterpillars	Sophie T
Busy Bugs	Isabelle H-F
Honey Bees	Florence V

## Nursery Request

If you have any palettes, planks of smooth wood (old flooring) pipes and/or milk crates, our Nursey staff would like to make use of them.

Thank you.



## Illness

If your child is too ill to be in school then we ask that a message is left on the school's absence line (784429) or email

[admin@saltersgate-inf.doncaster.sch.uk](mailto:admin@saltersgate-inf.doncaster.sch.uk)  
on the first day of illness **and all subsequent days.**

Please provide a reason for absence and the expected date of return. A specific reason rather than 'not very well' is required.

Parents are reminded that if your child is poorly with a sickness and/or diarrhoea bug, that they do not return to school for **48 hours.**



Thank you

# D I A R Y

## March

- 3<sup>rd</sup> World Book Week
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Year 2 Bedtime Stories (5-6 pm)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Nursery - Dress as your favourite character
- 4<sup>th</sup> Scholastic Book Fair (4-8<sup>th</sup> Mar – see item for times)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Bedtime Stories (5-6pm)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – Dress up as your favourite character
- 5<sup>th</sup> Nursery and Reception Bedtime Stories (5-6pm)
- 10<sup>th</sup>-
- 16<sup>th</sup> 'Hats on for Hydrocephalus'
- 13<sup>th</sup> Writing Workshops for Year 1 parents (booking via <https://saltersgate.schoolcloud.co.uk> Limited availability)
- 18<sup>th</sup> Phonics Workshops for Year 1 parents (booking via <https://saltersgate.schoolcloud.co.uk> Limited availability)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Phonics Workshops for Reception parents (booking via <https://saltersgate.schoolcloud.co.uk> Limited availability)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Red Nose Day Birthday Bake Sale (3 pm)
- 21<sup>st</sup> Red Nose Day Non-Uniform Day
- 24<sup>th</sup> Reception and Year Two Parents' Evening
- 25<sup>th</sup> Year One Parents' Evening
- 26<sup>th</sup> Year One and Year Two Parents' Evening
- 27<sup>th</sup> Reception Parents' Evening
- 28<sup>th</sup> Last day of term

## April

- 14<sup>th</sup> School re-opens
- 18<sup>th</sup> School closed – Good Friday
- 21<sup>st</sup> School closed – Easter Monday
- 22<sup>nd</sup> School re-opens
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Nursery Charley's Play Barn Visit

## May

- 5<sup>th</sup> School closed – Bank Holiday
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Last day of term
- 23<sup>rd</sup> School Closed – Training Day

## June

- 2<sup>nd</sup> School re-opens

## July

- 15<sup>th</sup>/
- 16<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Residential
- 21<sup>st</sup> Last day of term

## Attendance this week

Class	Number of days absence
Nursery	12
Superworms	5
Smartest Giants	4
Gruffalos	5.5
Fantastic Foxes	1
BFGs	7
Enormous Crocodiles	9
Hungry Caterpillars	6
Busy Bugs	1
Honey Bees	7

## Volunteers Needed – Little Ladybirds

We are looking for volunteers to support our baby and toddler group on a Wednesday morning.

If you would be interested in becoming involved, please attend a session on Wednesday morning between 8:30am – 10am and speak to the group leader.

Sessions run every Wednesday morning from 8:30am until 10am.

Held in the school hall



## Changes to Forest School from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March



From Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March we are making some changes to Forest School sessions. On their allocated day each class will take part in Forest School activities for part of the morning or afternoon alongside other curriculum activities. Children in all year groups should bring their forest school clothes with them in a clearly labelled bag and staff in school will support them in getting changed ready for their Forest School session.

**For children in Reception**, sessions will take place in the morning and they should be dropped off for registration at their usual classroom.

**For children in Year 1**, sessions will take place after lunch and children should be collected from their normal pick up points at the end of the school day.

**For children in Year 2**, sessions will take place at the end of the school day and children should be collected directly from Forest School.

### Forest School Timetable Spring 2025

Day	AM	PM
Monday	Gruffalos (Reception)	Enormous Crocodiles (12.30-1.50) (Y1) Honey Bees (1.50-3.15) (Y2)
Tuesday	Smartest Giants (Reception)	BFGs (12.30-1.50) (Y1) Busy Bugs (1.50-3.15) (Y2)
Thursday	Superworms (Reception)	Fantastic Foxes (12.30-1.50) (Y1) Hungry Caterpillars (1.50-3.15) (Y2)

## Changes to PE Lessons from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

For children in Key Stage 1 PE sessions will take place on the same day that they have their Forest School session. On their allocated day all children should wear appropriate clothes for PE to school. This should be a **plain t-shirt and shorts or leggings or a tracksuit depending on the weather. They should also wear trainers or pumps.** They should bring their Forest School clothes with them in a clearly labelled bag and staff in school will support them in getting changed ready for their Forest School session.

### PE Days:

Year 1 Enormous Crocodiles : Mondays

Year 2 Honey Bees : Mondays

Year 1 BFGs : Tuesdays

Year 2 Busy Bugs : Tuesdays

Year 1 Fantastic Foxes : Thursdays

Year 2 Hungry Caterpillars : Thursdays

## Parents' Evening – March 2025



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Please see below details of our main school Parents' evening appointment times.

Please visit <https://saltersgate.schoolcloud.co.uk> to book your appointments. Appointments can be made from Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 5.00 pm until Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 5.00 pm. Please include whether you would like a face-to-face meeting or a telephone call.

### Reception

Gruffalos, Smartest Giants and Superworms	Monday 24 March 2025- 3.30 pm to 5.30 pm
Gruffalos, Smartest Giants and Superworms	Thursday 27 March 2025 - 3.30 pm to 5.30 pm

### Year 1

BFGs, Enormous Crocodiles and Fantastic Foxes	Tuesday 25 March 2025 - 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm
BFGs, Enormous Crocodiles and Fantastic Foxes	Wednesday 26 March 2025 - 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm

### Year 2

Honey Bees, Busy Bugs and Hungry Caterpillars	Monday 24 March 2025- 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm
Honey Bees, Busy Bugs and Hungry Caterpillars	Wednesday 26 March 2025 - 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm

For parents with children in Nursery, stay and play sessions have already been held.

If your child has a support plan, you **DO NOT** need to sign up to this parents' evening as you have or will have a separate appointment.

### Scholastic Book Fair

We will be hosting a Book Fair from the afternoon of Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March. The book fair is an opportunity for you and your child to purchase books. Each purchase also earns school money that we can use to purchase new books for our library and the children have created a very long wish list they wish for us to buy. The book fair will also be open during your child's Bedtime story session too.

Book Fair will be open:

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March – 3:15-3:30

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 – 8:50am and 3:15 – 3:30pm

Payments are through an online website only. No cash will be taken. Apple pay will not work unfortunately. To pay online you need your card details (type of card, long number, security 3 digit number, expiry date, name on card) this will then inform school once you have paid.



# WORLD BOOK DAY™

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## World Book Week – W/C 3rd March

### Dress as your favourite character

Children will be taking part in different activities throughout the week to celebrate World Book Day. We are inviting children to come dressed as their favourite book character. Please see below the dates for each year group.

Nursery: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

### Bedtime Stories

We would like to invite all children and parents to attend an extra special bedtime stories. Through the week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> March we will be holding a late reading session in the hall from 5.00-6.00pm. During these sessions, children can come accompanied with a parent and we will have a large selection of books available to read. Children are welcome to come dressed in their pyjamas, dressing gown and slippers. They can even bring along their favourite teddy bear. The lights will be dimmed and there will be plenty of comfortable spaces to snuggle up on. Alongside sharing stories, we will also have some hot chocolate before bedtime and a biscuit. You are welcome to bring your own torch to help you see! Each year group are invited on the following days:

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Year Two

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Year One

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March – Foundation Stage (Reception and Nursery)





**Congratulations  
to our  
amazing  
Super  
Citizens!**



# WHAT'S RED AND NOSEY? IT'S RED NOSE DAY!



On **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March** Saltersgate Infant School will join thousands of schools up and down the country coming together to spread joy, have fun and raise money for those who need it most. There's nothing like Red Nose Day and this year is EXTRA special as Comic Relief turns 40 years old! So, let's come together and do something amazing. Let's make Red Nose Day 2025 the best day ever! Here's what we've got planned:

## 'Design a Nose' Competition

We are giving the children the opportunity to use their imaginations and get creative in our 'Design a Nose' competition! Design sheets can be purchased from your child's class teacher from **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, priced at 50p each**. The deadline for entries is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March. The winning design will be chosen by our KS1 School Council representatives, Mrs Anderson and members of our Senior Leadership Team. All entries will receive a certificate and a small prize. The winning entry will receive a certificate and an extra special prize!

## Birthday Bake Sale - Date: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March, Time: 3PM, Location: Hall

We believe that a BAKE SALE is the only one way to truly celebrate Comic Relief turning the BIG 4-0! After all, a birthday isn't really a birthday without cake and lots of it! Our 'Comic Relief Turns 40' bake sale will take place on **Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> March, from 3PM in the school hall**. In order to make our bake sale an almighty success WE NEED YOUR HELP. We are asking for any donations of baked goods (homemade or shop bought) to be sent into school on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> (AM) March ready to be sold to our wonderful families at our bake sale.

## Non-uniform Day - Theme: 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party Vibes

To celebrate such a huge milestone birthday children are encouraged to come to school on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March dressed in their best birthday party outfits for a donation of £1.00**. So, dust off those party frocks, slip on that bow tie or simply wear whatever puts you in the party mood - how far you take it is up to you! Our KS1 School Council representatives will visit each class and hand out prizes to the children they consider to be the best dressed!

We know there's a lot going on right now and for many people things are really tough. But if you can donate, every penny will add up to a life changing difference.

**Because people matter. Everyone. Everywhere. Always.**

Thank you for your continued support - **you are amazing!**

## Doncaster Parents Voice and Doncaster Autism Service Events for March

Doncaster Autism Service are launching a new series of workshops called Mini Explorers which are sensory and story based sessions for 0-5 year olds with additional needs.

Details of this and the most up to date information on other sessions is available at:

[www.doncasterparentsvoice.co.uk](http://www.doncasterparentsvoice.co.uk)

Doncaster Parents Voice  
Doncaster Carers Centre  
2 Regent Terrace  
Doncaster DN1 2EE  
Tel: 01302 637566

### LOOKING FOR INFORMATION OR ADVICE ON PARENTING?

Being a parent is one of the most important jobs that anyone does during their life. You will be surprised how many parents just need a little guidance.

We have online and face-to-face courses available for you to access for FREE.

FREE ONLINE COURSE

- ✓ We are offering a Free Online Course for all parents, carers and grandparents who live in Doncaster
- ✓ You can access the course at: [www.inourplace.co.uk](http://www.inourplace.co.uk) with the code: **STGEORGE**
- ✓ The course to access is called: **3a Understanding your child from toddler to teenager**
- ✓ Learn at your own pace, in your own time, in your own home

Access the parenting courses at [www.inourplace.co.uk](http://www.inourplace.co.uk)  
For more support around parenting, visit: [www.doncaster.gov.uk/parenting](http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/parenting)

Your Family

We also offer this course FACE-to-FACE in parenting groups across Doncaster.

Come along and meet other parents who may be in a similar position to you.

FREE FACE-TO-FACE COURSE

- ✓ It's a chance to have a coffee and a chat in a child-free zone
- ✓ If you have pre-school age children we can support with childcare vouchers, so that you can attend the course
- ✓ The course is for 10 weeks and delivered on the same day and same time for 2 hours each week. (During term time only)

If you would like more information or to find your closest course, call: **01302 734110**

If you have a lead professional working with you, ask them to make a referral on your behalf.

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Your Family

# ARMED FORCES DAY

Saturday 28th June 2025

Including:  
**Parade** through City of Doncaster centre  
& **Entertainment until 5pm**  
in Elmfield Park Centenary Fields

SAVE THE DATE



**Week 2****Week Commencing 24.02.25****17.03.25**

Options	Red	Vegetarian	Yellow	Blue	Green	Orange	Purple	Served with	Dessert
Monday	Beefburger in a Bun & Tomato Ketchup	Quorn Pizza Burger & Tomato Ketchup	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Mini Potato Crunchies, Baked Beans & Coleslow	Bun Fresh Fruit
Tuesday	BBQ Chicken Wrap	Cheese Flan	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Seasoned Wedges, Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	Ice Cream Roll Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Roast Gammon, Pineapple, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Quorn Sausage, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Roast Potatoes, Broccoli & Honey Glazed Carrots	Muffin Fresh Fruit
Thursday	Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce & Spaghetti, Garlic Bread	Mild Quorn Curry & Rice, Naan Bread	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Farmhouse Mixed Vegetables	Shortcake Finger Biscuit & Peaches Fresh Fruit
Friday	Fish Flipper Dippers & Tomato Ketchup	Crispy Vegetable Fingers & Tomato Ketchup	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Crunchy Chips, Baked Beans or Peas	Chocolate Brownie Fresh Fruit

Week 3									
Week Commencing 03.03.25 24.03.25									
Options	Red	Vegetarian	Yellow	Blue	Green	Orange	Purple	Served with	Dessert
Monday	Margherita Pizza	Quorn Sausage Hot Dog & Tomato Ketchup	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Mini Potato Crunchies & Baked Beans	Chocolate Crunch Fresh Fruit
Tuesday	Farmhouse Pork Dumpling Pie, Gravy & Mashed Potatoes	Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Slice	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Mixed Vegetables	Ice Cream Roll Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy & Mashed Potatoes	Mild Quorn & Baked Bean Chilli & Rice	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Cauliflower & Carrots	Butterscotch Cookie Fresh Fruit
Thursday	All Day Breakfast & Tomato Ketchup	Vegetarian Breakfast & Tomato Ketchup	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Hash Brown, Baked Beans & Chopped Tomatoes	Pancakes with peaches & Honey Fresh Fruit
Friday	Fish Fingers	<b>NOT VEGETARIAN</b> Real Pork Sausage Roll	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Crunchy Chips, Tomato Ketchup, Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	Iced Sparkle Sponge Fresh Fruit

<b>Week 1                      Week Commencing                      10.03.25</b>									
<b>Options</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>Vegetarian</b>	<b>Yellow</b>	<b>Blue</b>	<b>Green</b>	<b>Orange</b>	<b>Purple</b>	<b>Served with</b>	<b>Dessert</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Chicken Goujons & Garlic Mayonnaise	Cheese & Tomato Pastry Twist	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Seasoned Wedges, Baked Beans, Cucumber & Carrot sticks	Chocolate Crackle Cookie Fresh Fruit
<b>Tuesday</b>	Minced Beef & Vegetable Pie, Gravy, Saute Potatoes	Tomato Pasta Bake & Garlic Slice	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	Ice Cream Tub Fresh Fruit
<b>Wednesday</b>	Pork Sausage, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Quorn Fillet, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Mashed Potatoes, Carrots & Broccoli	Lemon Drizzle Bun Fresh Fruit
<b>Thursday</b>	Mild Chicken Curry, Rice & Naan Bread	Vegan Sausage Roll, Gravy & Roast Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Sweetcorn & Carrots	Apple Flapjack Fresh Fruit
<b>Friday</b>	Fish Portion & Tomato Ketchup	Margherita Pizza	Jacket Potato with Cheese and Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Crunchy Chips, Baked Beans or Peas	Blond Rice Krispie Cake Fresh Fruit