



SALTERSGATE INFANTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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14.02.25

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

Despite being only a 6 week half term since we started back in January, this half term has felt much longer and I know many of the staff and children are ready for a break. This week we have enjoyed Gymnastics events, zumbathons and fashion shows!

I would like to remind parents that the staff car park, that is shared by both the Infant and Junior Schools, is for staff and visitor parking only. Parents and carers that have previously arranged for access, due to having a blue badge, will also be granted access. Where possible please allow plenty of time for drop offs and avoid using the driveway during the busiest times. Please remember that speed should be kept below 5mph and that drivers are alert to pedestrians moving around the site at all times. There are several 'blind spots' where gates and external doors open directly onto the school driveway. Aldi have given consent for use of their car park by parents of the school in addition to parking at the local shops.

We have been thrilled by the engagement of our pupils and families with the 'WOW' walk to school scheme resulting in Saltersgate coming top of the schools leader board in Doncaster! We do love to see creative ways of getting to school, however, could both adults and children using electric scooters and bikes please remember to dismount and walk once on the school grounds.

Wishing you and your family a good half term break. We look forward to seeing your children back at school on Monday 24th February 2024,

Mrs Anderson

Our Golden Citizens for the first week back next term (24.02.25)

Class	Golden Citizen
Superworms	Emilia M
Smartest Giants	Aiden C
Gruffalos	Rohith S
Fantastic Foxes	Henry B
BFGs	Elias J
Enormous Crocodiles	Lacey G
Hungry Caterpillars	Caleb C
Busy Bugs	Melody H
Honey Bees	Henry G



Unfortunately, due to long term staff illness, and to ensure the safety of pupils, there will be no Forest School the first week back after half term. Children should come to school in normal uniform during this time.

For children and parents in Year 2 - the scheduled re-enactments of the Great Fire of London will be taking place week commencing 24 February on their normal forest school session day (weather dependent).

D I A R Y

February

14th Last day of term

24th School re-opens

Please note new dates for the Great Fire of London re-enactments

26th Hungry Caterpillars Great Fire of London re-enactment – (8.45 - 9.30 am at Forest School)

27th Busy Bugs Great Fire of London re-enactment – (8.45 - 9.30 am at Forest School)

27th Honey Bees Great Fire of London re-enactment – (2.15 - 2.45 pm at Forest School)

27th Reception - Historical Hero/Idol Dress-Up Day

March

3rd World Book Week

3rd Year 2 Bedtime Stories (5-6 pm)

4th Nursery - Dress as your favourite character

4th Scholastic Book Fair (4-8th Feb – see item for times)

4th Year 1 Bedtime Stories (5-6pm)

5th Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – Dress up as your favourite character

5th Nursery and Reception Bedtime Stories (5-6pm)

28th Last day of term

April

14th School re-opens

18th School closed – Good Friday

21st School closed – Easter Monday

22nd School re-opens

23rd Nursery Charley's Play Barn Visit

May

5th School closed – Bank Holiday

22nd Last day of term

23rd School Closed – Training Day

June

2nd School re-opens

July

15th/

16th Year 2 Residential

Attendance this week

Class	Number of days absence
Nursery	12
Superworms	5.5
Smartest Giants	1
Gruffalos	2
Fantastic Foxes	11.5
BFGs	9
Enormous Crocodiles	9
Hungry Caterpillars	4.5
Busy Bugs	6.5
Honey Bees	3



We have had to look at ways in which we can maintain our wrap round offer for all children who attend Saltersgate Infant School and meet the demand of all parents who are wanting their children to attend Dragonflies before and after school each day.

At present we provide the provision for both Saltersgate Infant School and the adjacent Scawsby Junior Academy. Unfortunately we are having to put any new enquiries from our own children who attend at Saltersgate Infant School on a waiting list. As a school we feel that we need to provide this service primarily for the children who attend Saltersgate Infant School therefore we have come to the decision that from 31st March 2025 we will no longer be accepting children from Year 3 onwards.

We would like to thank all parents and pupils for their support over the recent years.

All bookings made up to and including the last day of term Friday 28th March 2025 will be honoured.

To assist parents who may be looking for alternative arrangements, the contact details for the provision at Scawsby Junior Academy are Andrea on 07849 440970.

Kind regards

Dragonflies

WORLD BOOK DAY

6 MARCH 2025



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 4th March

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be Wednesday 5th March

Bedtime Stories

We would like to invite all children and parents to attend an extra special bedtime stories. Through the week commencing 3rd 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 3rd March – Year Two

Tuesday 4th March – Year One

Wednesday 5th March – Foundation Stage (Reception and Nursery)



Scholastic Book Fair

We will be hosting a Book Fair from the afternoon of Tuesday 4th 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 4th March – 3:15-3:30

Wednesday 5th to Friday 8th – 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.



After School Clubs

We are pleased to invite interest in our after school clubs, from our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children, which will be led by a qualified instructor.

Due to other activities/events in school, the after school clubs will run for three weeks only (week commencing 24 February, 10 March and 17 March). Each session will run from the end of the school day to 4.15 pm. The clubs available are:

Day	Club	Total Cost
Monday	Cricket (Year 1 and Year 2 children only)	£7.50
Tuesday	Football	£7.50
Wednesday	Gymnastics (<i>this club is full</i>)	£7.50



There is a charge of £2.50 per session with the total cost payable through ParentPay online. You will need to give consent on ParentPay also. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis through ParentPay. Please note that it will not be possible to offer refunds if children are withdrawn from clubs once these have started.

Reception - Historical Hero/Idol Dress-Up Day - Thursday 27 February 2025

Come to school dressed as one of your grown-ups childhood heroes!

Some examples of who you might dress as are:

- Famous footballer
- Pop star
- Record breaker
- Athlete
- Scientist
- TV personality
- Someone from the monarchy



With your adult, research and write down a few facts to bring with you about why this person was famous to share with the class.

Please do NOT send your child in a super hero or princess costume, it MUST be a real person.



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





Safer Internet Day

What is Safer Internet Day?

- A day to create awareness of a better internet for **ALL** users
- The theme for Safer Internet Day is **"Together for a Better Internet"**
- Safer Internet Day began as an EU wide initiative and is now celebrated in over 180 countries worldwide



Safer Internet Day 2025 | Tuesday 11 February

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre
saferinternetday.org.uk



Tech in Our World Our Time Online

Count the hours you spend online (e.g., t.v., tablet, game, etc.) each day.

Think about how much of that time online is:

- **productive** e.g., for homework, schoolwork, learning new skills.
- **passive** e.g., for entertainment, to watch videos for fun, communicate with friends, play games.

Which online activity do you spend the most time on? Is this time productive or passive, and why?



Tips for Striking the Balance

1. Follow the rules – check with parents about when it is okay to go online and when it is not.
2. Take regular breaks from your device.
3. Switch off – Don't forget about all the other fun activities offline.
4. Set a timer or use a screen time tracker/app to keep track of how much time you are spending online.
5. Make the most of your time online. It can be easy to lose track of time online, choose activities that you are interest in.
6. If you see something that bothers you online TELL a parent, guardian or trusted adult.



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Trans Pennine Trail Half Term Activity Pack

Download it here: <https://www.transpenninetrail.org.uk/welcome-to-our-childrens-page/>

Once again, the pack contains lots of exciting holiday activities that will keep young minds entertained during the February half-term break.

The pack will encourage them to embark on a sensory walk to record what they hear, see, and smell, or to join an exciting I-spy adventure. Little chefs will enjoy making delicious jam tarts, while creative minds can craft colourful animals out of salt dough. They'll be able to challenge themselves with our February word search and test their knowledge with our quiz before diving into the first instalment of Mandy Mole's adventure along the Trans Pennine Trail.

The activity pack can be used 'on the go' by downloading it to a mobile or can be printed at home. To receive a printed copy contact details are shown below.

Email: info@transpenninetrail.org.uk

Website: <https://www.transpenninetrail.org.uk/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TransPennineTrailNationalOffice>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/TPT_National

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/transpenninetrail/>

Scawsby Half Term Camp!

LEGACY SPORT YORKSHIRE

BOOK ON HERE!

£15 PER DAY **Monday 17th - Wednesday 19th February** **10am - 3pm** **Scawsby Community Centre DNS 800**

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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 & Coleslaw	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	NOT VEGETARIAN 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

Week 1 Week Commencing 10.03.25									
Options	Red	Vegetarian	Yellow	Blue	Green	Orange	Purple	Served with	Dessert
Monday	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
Tuesday	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
Wednesday	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
Thursday	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
Friday	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