



SALTERSGATE INFANTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

This week (now that the snow and ice have gone) we have been able to fully get back into the swing of things! It has been good to see children still coming prepared for all weather though, especially for their forest school days. As always, please label all items of clothing as this really helps us to keep track of children's belongings.

Earlier in the week leaders joined classes across school for their Little Wandle phonics lessons and were pleased to see how quickly new phonics routines had been established. We have also been looking into how we can reintroduce sending home Little Wandle reading books for our children to practice their reading skills at home. We hope to do this in the next few weeks but in the meantime all teachers will be sending children in their class home with an appropriate book to read.

Today we have circulated information regarding vacancies we have at Saltersgate for two Parent Governors. Being a school Governor is extremely rewarding and it is an opportunity to influence what happens at school. If you would like to meet me to discuss what it means to be a school Governor and the type of activities that the role entails then please contact school.

Today I have joined the Year 1 pupils on their visit to Doncaster Museum. The children learnt about the culture and history of Doncaster as well as exploring what the museum and library have to offer. If you get the chance to go yourself it is well worth the visit!

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Anderson

Our Golden Citizens for Next Week (20.01.25)

Class	Golden Citizen
Superworms	Archie M
Smartest Giants	Jack B
Gruffalos	Alice C
Fantastic Foxes	Nancy E
BFGs	Jack P
Enormous Crocodiles	Maya B
Hungry Caterpillars	Walter T
Busy Bugs	Iris R
Honey Bees	Nora W



Information about applying for the Parent Governor vacancies at our school has been distributed through ParentPay today and has been included on the website

<https://shorturl.at/ytmjM>

If you would like to stand for election please contact the school for a nomination form.

Nomination forms must be completed in full and returned to the school office no later than **10.00 am on Monday 3 February 2025.**



D I A R Y

January

- 23rd Reception Lyceum Trip
- 23rd Year 1 walk around the local community
- 31st Coffee Morning (9am-10 am)

February

- 6th Year 1 celebrate the United Kingdom
Fantastic Foxes – Scotland
BFGs – Wales
Enormous Crocodiles - England
- 10th Year 2 Great Fire of London Show
- 12th Hungry Caterpillars Great Fire of London re-enactment – (8.45 - 9.30 am at Forest School)
- 12th Busy Bugs Great Fire of London re-enactment – (8.45 - 9.30 am at Forest School)
- 13th Honey Bees Great Fire of London re-enactment – (2.15 - 2.45 pm at Forest School)
- 13th Year 1 Valentine’s Disco (4pm-6pm)
- 14th last day of term
- 24th School re-opens

Attendance this week

Class	Number of days absence
Nursery	31.5
Superworms	2
Smartest Giants	2
Gruffalos	1
Fantastic Foxes	3.5
BFGs	4.5
Enormous Crocodiles	2
Hungry Caterpillars	5
Busy Bugs	0.5
Honey Bees	0.5

Staff Car Park

If you have permission to use our staff car park, please consider your speed as this is used as a pedestrian entrance and exit for some of our classes.

Please note that the car park is **not for general use**. Only disabled badge holders can access the car park.

BEAT THE JANUARY BLUES!
COME ALONG FOR A CUPPA AND A CATCH UP

Saltersgate Infant School

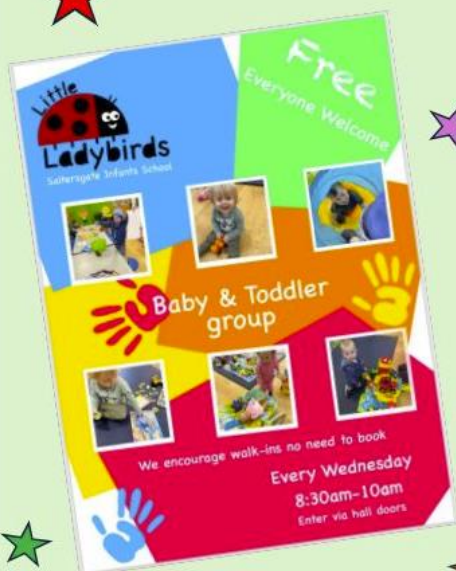
Would like to invite you to our Coffee Morning

When – Friday 31st Jan 9am until 10am

Where – Dragonflies

Come along to our Coffee Morning for parent/carers . We provide endless tea, coffee and biscuits where you can chat in a relaxed and friendly environment. Our Family Support Worker Lisa Booth will be available for advice or a friendly chat. Also, Families Information Services will be visiting the session for anyone wanting information on 2-year-old funding

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.

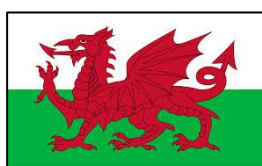
Held in the school hall

Year 1 - Thursday 6th February

The children in Year 1 will be looking at the countries that make up the UK. They will be looking at location, flags and traditions that make each country unique. To immerse the children in this learning we will be creating a whistle stop tour around the United Kingdom.

Each classroom will celebrate a different country of the United Kingdom. Children will spend some of their day visiting each classroom/country and learn lots of new information, listen to traditional music and taste local/traditional foods.

To fully embrace the experience, we are inviting children to dress up in something to do with one of the countries. This could be the colours of the nation's flag, a famous person from that country, traditional attire worn or anything associated with the country. The country for each class are as follows:



Fantastic Foxes - Scotland

BFG's - Wales

Enormous Crocodiles - England



When; Thursday
13th Feb
4pm – 6pm

Where; School Hall

Cost; £3
payable on the
night

Year Two Design & Technology - Home Learning Challenge



Task: To create a 3D model of a Tudor house

Deadline: Monday, 10th February (but bring into school as soon as they are made.)

This half-term the children in Year Two have been learning all about The Great Fire of London. The children have learnt what Tudor houses were made of in 1666 and why this contributed to the fire spreading so easily and London burning so quickly.

We would like the children to spend some time at home making a 3D model of a Tudor house to bring into school, in order for us to recreate Pudding Lane (the street The Great Fire of London started on).

During the children's **Forest School session on Wednesday, 12th February (Hungry Caterpillars) and Thursday, 13th February (Busy Bugs and Honey Bees)** the children will watch (from a safe distance) as their Tudor homes are set alight - in our very own re-enactment of The Great Fire of London! This provides children with the opportunity to experience first-hand how quickly fire can spread, in a safe learning environment!

Hungry Caterpillars/Busy Bugs - Parents/carers are invited to drop their children off at Forest School (not their classroom) and stay for the start of their child's Forest School session (until approx. 9:30AM), in order to join in the fun and watch too!

Honey Bees - Parents/carers are invited to attend the end of their child's Forest School session (from 2:15PM until approx. 2:45PM), in order to join in the fun and watch too!

Please encourage your child to complete as much of the D & T project independently. **Please ensure 3D models are no bigger than a cereal box.**

Examples of models of Tudor houses:



Please be aware that this activity is weather dependent and may have to be cancelled and rearranged at short notice.

School Holidays 2024-2025

Holiday	Schools Close (PM)	Re-open (AM)
Start of School Year		Tuesday 3 September
Autumn Half Term	Thursday 24 October	Monday 4 November
Christmas	Friday 20 December	Monday 6 January
Spring Half Term	Friday 14 February	Monday 24 February
Summer Term 1	Friday 28 March	Monday 14 April
Easter	Thursday 17 April	Tuesday 22 April
May Day	Friday 2 May	Tuesday 6 May
Summer Half Term	Thursday 22 May	Monday 2 June
Summer	Monday 21 July	

Training Days: Monday 2nd September 2024
 Friday 25th October 2024
 Friday 23rd May 2025
 Tuesday 22nd July 2025
 Wednesday 23rd July 2025

School Holidays 2025-2026

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Start of School Year		Tuesday 2 September
Autumn Half Term	Friday 24 October	Tuesday 4 November
Christmas	Friday 19 December	Tuesday 6 January
Spring Half Term	Friday 13 February	Monday 23 February
Easter	Friday 27 March	Monday 13 April
May Day	Friday 1 May	Tuesday 5 May
Summer Half Term	Thursday 21 May	Monday 1 June
Summer	Friday 17 July	

Training Days: Monday 1st September 2025
 Monday 3rd November 2025
 Monday 5th January 2026
 Friday 22nd May 2026
 Monday 20th July 2026

Week 2									
Week Commencing 06.01.25 27.01.25									
Options	Red	Vegetarian	Yellow	Blue	Green	Orange	Purple	Served with	Dessert
Monday	Beef Burger 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 13.01.25 03.02.25									
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							20.01.25	10.02.25	
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	