



# SALTERSGATE INFANTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

The Christmas season is most definitely in full swing at Saltersgate! This week we have had Nursery and Reception concerts and it was fabulous to see all of the children across Early Years sing and dance in front of an audience. How amazing when you consider some of the children are just three years old! Well done to EYFS; children and staff. We also had a visit from Father David D'Silva and our Nursery children took part in a Messy Nativity! There was lots of glitter involved! There are lots more activities planned for next week as we continue the festive spirit. Keep your eye on the calendar to make sure you don't miss out!

Please note, there will be no Golden Citizen assembly next Friday due to our Christmas events in school. Nominations from this week will be celebrated on Friday 10th January. We will however be nominating Saltersgate SUPER Citizens for this half term, to attend a special celebration in January.

Next week we will be saying goodbye to some members of staff. Mrs Knowles will be leaving us from Year 2 and Hungry Caterpillars will be taught by Miss Durham, who we welcome to Saltersgate, from January. Mrs Cooke and Mrs Maw, who have supported pupils and taught across school will also be leaving us, along with Mr Emery, who is finishing his Sports Apprenticeship. We wish them all the very best in their future adventures. Thank you for being a wonderful part of our school community.

Have a lovely, festive, fun filled weekend with your family and I will see you all on Monday morning for the final week of the Autumn term!

Mrs Anderson

## Our Golden Citizens for the New Year (06.01.25)

Class	Golden Citizen
Superworms	Ezra T
Smartest Giants	Carter D
Gruffalos	Cabe R
Fantastic Foxes	Theo Ke
BFGs	Dolcie-Mae R
Enormous Crocodiles	Abigail W-B
Hungry Caterpillars	Theo W
Busy Bugs	Layla B
Honey Bees	Belle J-D

Coffee Morning  
Cancelled



Unfortunately it has been necessary to cancel the Coffee Morning planned for 17 December.

## Medication

If your child is prescribed a medicine to be taken three times a day, you may wonder if they need to take it to school. But this is not usually needed.



In most cases, you can give your child their first dose of the day in the morning before they go to school. Then, you can wait until they are home from school to give the second dose in the afternoon. Give the last dose of the day just before they go to bed.

Always follow instructions from your doctor or pharmacist, and ask them if you need more advice.

# D I A R Y

## December

- 16<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Stone Hill Visit (am)
- 16<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Christmas Performance 2.00 pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Disco (5.00 pm-6.00 pm)
- 17<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Christmas Performance 2.00 pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Performance at St Leonard and St Jude Church 2.00 pm (*no booking required*)
- 18<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Party
- 19<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Party
- 20<sup>th</sup> Nursery Party
- 20<sup>th</sup> Reception Party
- 20<sup>th</sup> Last day of Term

## January

- 6<sup>th</sup> School re-opens
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Reception Lyceum Trip

## Attendance this week

Class	Number of days absence
Nursery	15.5
Superworms	8.5
Smartest Giants	3.5
Gruffalos	11
Fantastic Foxes	7
BFGs	15.5
Enormous Crocodiles	5
Hungry Caterpillars	4
Busy Bugs	8
Honey Bees	3.5

## Little Ladybirds

Parent, Baby & Toddler session  
age 0-3yrs

Join us on  
18 December  
for Christmas  
activities and  
crafts



Every Wednesday

8-30am until 10.00am

School hall

No Booking required - just turn up!

## Reading Books

  
**PLEASE  
RETURN  
YOUR  
READING  
BOOKS!**

Please remember to return your child's reading book each week for a new one to be issued.

## Toy Donations

We would be grateful for any toy donations to Dragonflies, our before and after school provision.

Thank you



## Saltergate Dragonflies

Wrap around care

### Price Changes from January 2025

With effect from 6 January 2025, there will be a slight increase in prices for Dragonflies. The new prices will be;

Morning - £6  
After School - £10

Session times will remain the same.



*In Who-ville they say that the Grinch's heart is small but today at Saltersgate Infants ..... it grew*

*Merry Grinchmas!*



### Bikes/Scooters

Please ensure that children remain by your side at drop off and collection.

Bikes and scooters must not be ridden on school grounds.

Thank you for your support.



### 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.

The classes will run half-termly, starting week commencing 6 January 2025 and finishing week commencing 10 February 2025. Each class will run from the end of the school day to 4.15 pm. The clubs available are:

Day	Club	Total Cost
Monday	Dodgeball (Year 1 and Year 2 children only)	£15.00
Tuesday	Football	£15.00
Wednesday	Gymnastics ( <i>this club is full</i> )	£15.00



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.

### Internet Safety

As we approach Christmas we know that some of you may consider purchasing a new electronic device for your children and many of those have access to the internet. While we actively encourage children to use the internet we also teach them how to use it responsibly. In school we have filters and settings to make the technology we use as safe as can be but on devices at home many devices do not come with those settings activated.



Please find a useful guide on how to keep our children safer online:

<https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2022/12/15/guide-to-gifting-tech/>

Here is a link to the Webwise guide where you can find a brief summary of the most common apps used by children:

<https://www.webwise.ie/category/parents/explainers/>

## 5 Ways to Wellbeing Scavenger Hunt: Winter Walkabout

The 5 Ways to Wellbeing are a good starting point when thinking about ways to support your own mental health.

Going on a winter walkabout and looking for items listed on the scavenger hunt below is a great way of taking notice and being active!

Make sure to wrap up warmly! Why not take a flask of a hot drink with you for a warming rest stop during your walkabout?

Something soft

Something beautiful

Two different types of evergreen leaves

An icicle

A little robin red breast

A pinecone

Something covered in frost

Animal tracks

A winter flower

A sprig of holly

**Bonus find!** Bright bobble hats!  
How many of the loudest, brightest bobble hats can you count on your walkabout? (Yes, your own bright bobble hat counts!)



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## Find the best service for your illness or injury

NHS

South Yorkshire  
Integrated Care Board

### Self care

Treat minor ailments such as diarrhoea and vomiting at home. **Keep stocked up: be prepared with essential medicines and supplies.**

**Useful items:**  
Aspirin; Paracetamol; Antidiarrhoeal medicine; Cough medicine; Plasters; Thermometer; Antiseptic cream

### Pharmacy

Your local pharmacy can help treat minor ailments including:

Acute ear infection; Impetigo; Infected insect bite; Shingles; Sinusitis; Sore throat; and Uncomplicated Urinary Tract Infections (UTIs)



### NHS 111

**Non-emergency help:**

- Feeling unwell?
- Unsure?
- Anxious?
- Need help?

Use 111 if you're unsure which service you need or require advice and guidance

Call 111 or visit [www.111.nhs.uk](http://www.111.nhs.uk)

### GP advice

**Skilled team of medical professionals**

- Lasting symptoms
- Chronic pain
- Long-term conditions
- Prescriptions



**Doncaster Same Day Health Centre:**

if you are unable to get an urgent appointment with your practice.



Call 0300 123 3103

Evening and weekend appointments available

### Urgent care

**Urgent treatment**

- Simple fractures
- Sprains and breaks
- Cuts and burns

**Mexborough Minor Injuries Unit:**



Montagu Hospital, Adwick Road, Mexborough, S64 0AZ

### Mental health

**Donny Dot:** Connecting people of Doncaster to mental health and wellbeing information, advice, and support



In a mental health crisis, please phone the local service on 0800 804 8999 or call 111

### Eye Health

**Minor Eye Conditions Service can help with:**

- Red eye or eyelids
- Dry, gritty or uncomfortable eyes
- Eye irritation and inflammation
- A lot of recent discharge from the eye or watery eye
- Recently occurring flashes or floaters
- Painful eye
- Ingrowing lashes
- Recent and sudden loss of vision
- Foreign body in the eye

**Self-referral:**  
0800 112 0070 or call 111

### Emergency

**Emergency Department or 999 for emergencies only:**

Choking, Chest pain, Blacking out, Serious blood loss, Significant injury or trauma

## Trans Pennine Trail Christmas 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 Christmas break.

The pack will encourage children to embark on a Winter Treasure Hunt, solve a word scramble, and test their knowledge with a fun quiz. They'll also be able to craft a hanging star decoration and make wildlife-friendly magic reindeer food to spread a little holiday magic. And they'll be able to delight family and friends with a selection of Christmas cracker jokes guaranteed to bring a smile to the face.



Save the Children

**Christmas Jumper Day  
Congratulations**

Sattersgate Infant School

Thank you for pulling on your most Christmassy Jumper and making it the best. Day. EVER!

£ 64.00



Registered with FINANCIAL REPORTING REGULATOR



## Nursery



### Calendar of Events for December

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
				<b>Nursery Christmas Party</b>

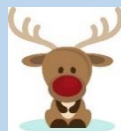


## Reception



### Calendar of Events for December

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
				<b>Reception Christmas Party</b>



## Year 1



### Calendar of Events for December

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>Year 1 Christmas Performance 2.00 pm</b>	<b>Year 1 Christmas Performance 2.00 pm</b>		<b>Year 1 Christmas Party</b>	



## Year 2



### Calendar of Events for December

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> December	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>Stone Hill Visit (Morning)</b>  <b>Christmas Disco 5 pm – 6 pm (£2.50 payable on the night)</b>	<b>Year 2 Performance at St Leonard and St Jude Church 2.00 pm (no booking required)</b>	<b>Year 2 Christmas Party</b>		

<b>Week 1</b>									
<b>Week Commencing</b>									
<b>16/12/24</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, Sauté 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

<b>Week 2</b>									
<b>Week Commencing 06.01.25 27.01.25</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>	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
<b>Tuesday</b>	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
<b>Wednesday</b>	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
<b>Thursday</b>	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
<b>Friday</b>	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