



SALTERSGATE INFANTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

The Christmas season is in full swing at Saltersgate! This week we have had Nursery and Reception concerts with our Early Years children, as young as 3 years old, performing in front of a huge audience! Well done to all the children and staff. I am excited to see our older children in Year 1 and 2 act and sing for you all next week.

We welcomed so many of you into school yesterday for our Saltersgate Christmas Market. A huge thank you to the staff and children for making the Christmas food and crafts, our volunteers for helping to make the event a success, the local traders who brought along some fabulous products and you for all your generous donations and support! We are already planning for next year to make the event even better!

Thank you to our catering team for a brilliant Christmas lunch this week and to you for supporting Christmas Jumper Day and for donations to Save the Children. Next week all year groups are organising Christmas parties and will be in touch via Dojo with more details! On these days your child can come to school in non-uniform, ready to party!

Please note, there will be no Golden Citizen nominations this week or assembly next Friday due to our Christmas events in school. We will however be nominating Saltersgate SUPER Citizens for this half term, to attend a celebration in January.

Finally, as we experience increased levels of winter viruses, I have asked staff to take measures to keep spread of infection at a minimum. We will be encouraging the use of anti-bacterial hand gel and some staff may choose to wear a face mask when working closely with children.

Have a lovely weekend and I will see you all on Monday morning for the final week of the Autumn term!

Mrs Anderson

**Our next Golden Citizens will be chosen on
9 January 2026**

Reminder to all Parents

Please can all items of your child's school uniform be labelled clearly with your child's name. We have many items that go missing and it can be difficult to identify owners.

Please also send your child to school with a **waterproof coat and a drink every day!**

Thank you for your co-operation.



THANK YOU
YOUR POPPY SUPPORTS THE ARMED FORCES
COMMUNITY PAST AND PRESENT

Thank you for supporting the Poppy Appeal.

Together we raised:
£ 365.19

To find out more about how your donation helps,
visit rbi.org.uk

Registered charity number: 219279

D I A R Y

December

- 15th Year 2 Stone Hill Visit
- 15th Reception Read Along 3.20-3.45 pm
- 16th 1NM Christmas Performance 2.15 pm
(no booking required)
- 17th 1RL/1PB Christmas Performance
9.15 am and repeated at 2.15 pm
- 17th Year 2 Performance at St Leonard and St Jude Church 1.30 pm *(no booking required)*
- 18th Year 1 and Year 2 Party
- 19th Nursery and Reception Party
- 19th Last Day of term

January

- 5th INSET Day (School closed to children)
- 6th School re-opens
- 13th Nursery Love of Read Workshops
10 am (AM and Learning Ladybirds)
2 pm (PM and Curious Caterpillars)
Booking 1 place per child
<https://saltersgate.schoolcloud.co.uk>
- 14th Coffee Morning for parents/carers of SEN children
- w/c 26th Year 1 class visit – Reptile Rendezvous

February

- 26th Reception Tropical Butterfly World Trip

Attendance this week

Class	%
Nursery	93.8
R-CH	96.1
R-MH	85
R-AT	97
1-NM	96.7
1-RL	99.3
1-PB	92
2-EM	93.3
2-JF	93.9
2-TD	96.3

Reception Read Along 15 December 2025



Reminder Reception parents are invited to take part in a read along in our classes after school on Monday 15 December from 3.20pm to 3.45pm.

This is a chance to share stories with their children. Children will be given hot chocolate and biscuits.

There is no need to book just turn up.

We look forward to you joining us in our classrooms.

Forest School and PE Timetable week commencing 15.12.25

Day	Monday 15	Tuesday 16	Wednesday 17
	R-MH - Forest School 2EM – Forest School 2TD – PE	R-AT - Forest School 1NM – Forest School 2JF – PE	R-CH - Forest School

Bikes/Scooters

Please ensure that children remain by your side at drop off and collection and that bikes and scooters are not be ridden on school grounds.

The bike shelter on the playground should not be used

(please park them in the racks next to the main school entrance only)



**NO BIKES
OR SCOOTERS
TO BE RIDDEN
IN SCHOOL**

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 5 January 2026 and finishing week commencing 9 February. Each class will run from the end of the school day to 4.15 pm. The clubs available are:

Day	Club	Total Cost
Monday	Basketball (<i>Staff Training Day 05.01.26</i>)	£12.50
Tuesday	Football	£15.00
Wednesday	Gymnastics	£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/>

We will be holding a Coffee Morning for our SEN parents/carers;

Wednesday 14th January

9am - 10:30am

In our Dragonflies building

ASCETS and Educational Psychologists will be joining us, ready to answer any questions you may have or give advice if you need it.



School Holidays 2025-2026

Holiday	Schools Close (PM)	Re-open (AM)
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	

Do I need to keep my child off school?

HSC Public Health Agency

Chicken Pox Until all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Hand, foot & mouth No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Impetigo Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies Until after first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Flu Until recovered	Head Lice No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Threadworms No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Tonsillitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed		

Trans Pennine Trail

Christmas Half Term Activity Pack

Download it here: [TPT Activity Packs | Trans Pennine Trail](#)

The Trans Pennine Trail 2025 Christmas Holiday Activity Pack is bursting with festive fun for families and children and is available FREE to download.

There are nature-themed challenges like a winter scavenger hunt, creative crafts such as making a bird feeder, and a delicious cake pop recipe to try at home. The pack also features sensory games, puzzles, and a heart-warming story adventure with the Trail's friendly mascots, encouraging everyone to explore the great outdoors.

With colourful characters leading the way, this activity pack inspires kids to discover winter wildlife, get creative, and enjoy the magic of the outdoors. There are opportunities to share their adventures and to earn a digital certificate.





Nursery



Calendar of Events for December

Monday 15 th December	Tuesday 16 th December	Wednesday 17 th December	Thursday 18 th December	Friday 19 th December
				Nursery Christmas Party



Reception

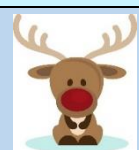


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Read Along in classes 3.20 – 3.45 pm				Reception Christmas Party



Year 1



Calendar of Events for December

Monday 15 th December	Tuesday 16 th December	Wednesday 17 th December	Thursday 18 th December	Friday 19 th December
	1-NM Christmas Concert 2.15 pm	1-RL and 1-PB Christmas Performance 9.15 am and repeated at 2.15 pm Tickets available online at https://saltersgate.schoolcloud.co.uk and strictly only 2 tickets per family	Year 1 Christmas Party	



Year 2



Calendar of Events for December

Monday 15 th December	Tuesday 16 th December	Wednesday 17 th December	Thursday 18 th December	Friday 19 th December
Stone Hill Visit (Morning)		Year 2 Performance at Church 1.30 pm	Year 2 Christmas Party	



Week 1 Week Commencing**15/12/25**

Options	Red	Vegetarian	Yellow	Blue	Green	Orange	Purple	Served with	Dessert
Monday	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Vegetable Finger	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Smiley Faces, Baked Beans, Peas	Brownie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Tuesday	Minced Beef with Oven Baked Wedges	Macaroni Cheese	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Broccoli, sweetcorn	Jelly & Cream Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Sausage	Quorn Fillet	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Cabbage	Butterscotch Cookie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Thursday	Chicken Curry	Veggie Bites & Dipping Sauce	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Rice, Country Vegetables	Strawberry Mousse Fresh Fruit
Friday	Fishcake	Cheese & Onion Quiche	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Chips, Vegetable Sticks, Tomato Ketchup	Mandarin Sponge & Chocolate Sauce Fresh Fruit

Week 2		Week Commencing		05.01.26					
Options	Red	Vegetarian	Yellow	Blue	Green	Orange	Purple	Served with	Dessert
Monday	SCHOOL CLOSED - TRAINING DAY								
Tuesday	Spaghetti Bolognese	Quorn Sausage Pasta Bake	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Vegetable Sticks, Garlic Bread	Crackle Cookie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding	Quorn Fillet & Yorkshire Pudding	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli & Carrots	Apple Muffin Fresh Fruit
Thursday	All Day Breakfast	All Day Vegetarian Breakfast	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Omelette, Hash Browns, Baked Beans	Shortbread Biscuit with Milkshake Fresh Fruit
Friday	Fish Fingers or Fish Star with Chips	Loaded Wedges	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Peas, Coleslaw, Tomato Ketchup	Lemon Sponge Fresh Fruit