



# SALTERSGATE INFANTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to you all and a Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed relaxing and spending time with your family and friends over Christmas and into the start of 2026.

It has been a very cold and frosty start to the new term at Saltersgate. However, the children have settled back well and it has been a real pleasure to be part of the leaning that is taking place. This term we welcome Miss Locke, who has joined the Year 2 team as a Classroom Assistant, after volunteering here during the Autumn term.

On Thursday we celebrated our Autumn Term SUPER Citizens at a special celebration assembly and it was so lovely to have so many family members join us and hear how amazing our pupils are! We will be sending out invitations next week to our celebration event that will involve all our SUPER Citizens so far this year.

Over Christmas we have launched our New School Website. There is no change to the website address but we have worked with the developers to try and improve its look on mobile devices and allow easier access to key information and news stories. Please bear with us while we continue to develop various areas over the next few months. Any feedback is also greatly appreciated!

[www.saltersgate-inf.doncaster.sch.uk](http://www.saltersgate-inf.doncaster.sch.uk)

With snow and sleet forecast over the weekend and into next week we have been updating our snow plan in the event that school has to delay opening or initiate a school closure. Staff will use current communication methods including Class Dojo, email and Facebook to ensure messages and updates are shared as soon as possible. We will only ever close the school as a last resort and only when the safety of the children is a risk. If no messages are sent please presume that school is open as normal!



Enjoy the weekend, keep warm and safe!

Mrs Anderson

## Our Golden Citizens for next week (12.01.26)

Class	Golden Citizen
R-CH	Lincoln W
R-MH	Aniah-Rose W
R-AT	Isabella L
1-RL	Erin B
1-PB	Hadley C
2-EM	Finn W
2-JF	Lacey G
2-TD	Harmony G

## Saltersgate School Lottery



Welcome to Saltersgate Infant School lottery.

This lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference for our children!

It's a fantastic way to bring Parents, Carers, Teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our school, and at the same time give something back.

We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children - we aim to provide extra resources for the children, improve the school environment as well as improve our curriculum offer.

Please follow the link below to set up a weekly subscription from as little as £1 for your chance to win CASH PRIZES, whilst also supporting our school.

Thank you and good luck!

<https://shorturl.at/FJUhg>

# DIARY

## January

- 13<sup>th</sup>** Nursery Love of Reading Workshops  
10 am (AM and Learning Ladybirds)  
2 pm (PM and Curious Caterpillars)
- 14<sup>th</sup>** Coffee Morning for parents/carers of SEN children
- w/c 26<sup>th</sup>** Year 1 class visit – Reptile Rendezvous

## February

- 13<sup>th</sup>** Last Day of Term
- 23<sup>rd</sup>** School re-opens
- 26<sup>th</sup>** Reception Tropical Butterfly World Trip

## Attendance this week

Class	%
Nursery	96
R-CH	94
R-MH	95.4
R-AT	96.3
1-NM	97.9
1-RL	97.8
1-PB	92.2
2-EM	94.2
2-JF	95.2
2-TD	96.7

### Donation Request – Fine Motor Skills

We are looking for donations of the following items to help our children with their fine motor skills:



- Laces
- Ribbon
- Dolls/baby cardigan that have buttons
- Cubes you can thread with



If you have any spare items please pass to your child's teacher or the school office. Thank you.



### Donation Request

We are looking forward to taking part in the RSPB Big Schools' Birdwatch and would appreciate the donation of any kind of bird food. Please drop off at your child's class or the school office.

Donations of towels, string, pots pans and kitchen utensils would also be appreciated.

Thank you.

## Forest School and PE Timetable week commencing 12.01.26

Monday 12	Tuesday 13	Wednesday 14
R-MH - Forest School 2EM – Forest School 2TD – PE	R-AT - Forest School 1NM – Forest School 2JF – PE	R-CH - Forest School 1RL – Forest School 1PB – PE



Miss Cotson and Mrs Booth are very excited to announce our latest approach in supporting our families across both schools.

We have widened our understanding of supporting parent and child relationships and cannot wait to share this with you.

After February half term we will be launching our FREE first ever customised training course, which has been designed as a first response as a parenting support for families who want to learn more and who may or may not be experiencing some difficulties with their children. It explores issues such as:

- Exploring feelings
- Parenting styles
- Communication: what is being communicated through a behaviour
- Temper tantrums and what might be meant by them
- Sleep patterns
- Behavioural difficulties

This group will encourage parents and carers to identify the most important issues in their relationship with their child and to reflect on why things sometimes go well and sometimes do not.

Of course, unlimited tea, coffee and snacks will be available throughout as well as opportunities to win a weekly prize. At the end of the 10 weeks, not only will you have grown in confidence and developed a flexible parenting toolkit, you will receive a recognised certificate as well as many useful resources.

If this is something you think you are interested in, please do not hesitate to contact us via dojo or email ([familysupport@saltersgate-inf.doncaster.sch.uk](mailto:familysupport@saltersgate-inf.doncaster.sch.uk)) before the 30<sup>th</sup> January.

We look forward to hearing from you!

**Mrs Booth**  
Family Support Worker  
Saltersgate Infant School

**and**

**Miss Cotson**  
Family and Child Support Coordinator  
Saltersgate Junior Academy

## Year 1 Class Visit



Year 1 children will be welcoming 'Reptile Rendezvous' to school during week commencing 26 January 2026. They will be bringing a selection of fascinating animals for the children to observe as part of their topic work on the classification of animals based on their features.

To facilitate this visit, we are asking parents to make a voluntary contribution via their ParentPay account. Thank you to the parents who have done this already.

Please see the previously circulated letter for more information.

## 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.

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

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> 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.



## Saltersgate Infant School - Dates for your diary

### Spring Term - 2026

Date	Event	Year/Class	Time
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Staff Training Day		
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School re-opens to staff & pupils	All Years	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Super Citizen Celebration	Selected Pupils	2.15pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> January	Love of Reading Workshops	Nursery	10 am/2 pm
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> January	Coffee Morning	All Years	9-10am
WB 26 <sup>th</sup> January	Reptile Rendezvous visit	Year 1	
WB 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Children's Mental Health Week	All Years	
WB 1 <sup>st</sup> February	National Story Telling Week	All Years	TBC
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for Half Term	All Years	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	School re-opens to staff & pupils	All Years	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Tropical Butterfly World Trip	Reception	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Super Citizen Celebration	Selected Pupils	2.15pm
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day – Events to be confirmed	All Years	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day	All Years	
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Down Syndrome Day	All Years	TBC
WB 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parents Evening - TBC	All Years	TBC
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Egg and Bonnet Competition	All Years	AM
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	School closes for Easter Holidays	All Years	

### Summer Term - 2026

Date	Event	Year/Class	Time
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	School re-opens to staff & pupils	All Years	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Super Citizen Celebration	Selected Pupils	2.15pm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Boston Park Farm trip	Miss McCue	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	May Bank Holiday – School Closed	All Years	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Uniform Swap Shop & Coffee Morning	All Years	9-10.30am
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	School closes for Spring Half Term	All Years	
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Staff Training Day		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	School re-opens to staff & pupils	All Years	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Super Citizen Celebration	Selected Pupils	2.15pm
WB 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Assessments – Attendance Compulsory	Year 1	
WB 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Sports Days: Reception, Y1 and Y2	All Years	TBC
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> – Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 2 Residential to Gulliver's Valley	Year 2	2 days
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> - Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Week – Pupils to their new classes	All Years	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent Evening to meet new teachers	All Years	3.15-4.00
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports to Parents	All Years	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 Leavers Concert	Year 2	9.00/2.00
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery Colour Run	Nursery	TBC
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	School closes to pupils for the summer	All Years	

**Please keep this diary of events for future reference - Please note, dates may be subject to change.**

## School Holidays 2025-2026

Holiday	Schools Close (PM)	Re-open (AM)
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:  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

**Week 3 Week commencing****12.01.26**

Options	Red	Vegetarian	Yellow	Blue	Green	Orange	Purple	Served with	Dessert
Monday	Cheese & Tomato Pasta with Garlic Bread	Garlic Slice Pizza with Oven Baked Wedges	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Mixed Vegetables	Toffee Apple Muffin Yoghurt Fresh Fruit
Tuesday	Chicken & Vegetable Pie with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetarian Curry & Rice	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	Chocolate Mousse Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Roast Pork	Quorn Fillet	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower, Carrots, Gravy	Jelly, Fruit & Cream Fresh Fruit
Thursday	Cheeseburger in a Bun	Vegetable Burger in a Bun	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	French Fries and salad	Iced Sparkle Sponge Fresh Fruit
Friday	Battered Fish	Vegan Roll	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	Chips, Peas, Carrots, Tomato Ketchup	Chocolate Crunch Fresh Fruit

<b>Week 1 Week Commencing 19.01.26 09.02.26 09.03.26</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>	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
<b>Tuesday</b>	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
<b>Wednesday</b>	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
<b>Thursday</b>	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
<b>Friday</b>	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

<b>Week 2</b>	<b>Week Commencing</b>		<b>26.01.26</b>	<b>23.02.26</b>	<b>16.03.26</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>	Cheese Catherine Wheel with Savoury Rice	Shepherdess Pie	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Side Salad	Ham Sandwich & Side Salad	Cheese Sandwich & Side Salad	Egg Sandwich & Side Salad	Tuna Sandwich & Side Salad	Peas, Sweetcorn	Ice Cream Roll with Peaches Fresh Fruit
<b>Tuesday</b>	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
<b>Wednesday</b>	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
<b>Thursday</b>	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
<b>Friday</b>	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