

# Weekly News Friday 29th September 2023

## <u>Autumn Term 1 Week 4</u>

Dear Parents and Carers,

Attendance at school is a key issue at present for all schools, and something that we are working to improve at Saltergate. Of course, we know that our children are sometimes ill and should not be at school, for example, when they have a sickness bug. However, we want to teach our pupils positive habits that will benefit them not just now, but as they grow up. Commitment to attending school regularly will help children to become adults who attend work regularly, and who have a sense of responsibility. Each day at school builds upon the one before, lessons follow a sequence and learning is a journey - it benefits children enormously if they have consistency and can follow each step that their teachers have carefully planned and prepared for them. We hope that you will work with us to support your children in having great attendance this vear!

Have a lovely weekend, Jo Hall

#### **Discovery Learning Newsletters**

<u>Saltergate Schools - Discovery Learning</u> <u>Newsletters</u>

Each week we will be putting up a new newsletter in Discovery Learning's area of the website – keep up to date with what is going on in our fantastic new setting!

#### Staffing Update

As many of you know, Mr. Baranyai has been absent from school for some time. I can now confirm that he has decided to move on from Saltergate to pursue new interests. I am sure that you will join me in wishing Mr. Baranyai all the very best for the future and in thanking him for all he has done here at Saltergate.

Mrs. Aldridge will continue to teach Walliams class and we are very pleased to have her here with us.

A further staffing update concerns Mrs. Harrison, who will be leaving us next Monday. We are grateful to Mrs. Harrison for all the contributions she has made to life at Saltergate; I know that many of you and your children will miss her and will join us in wishing her every success with her next adventure.

You may have spotted a new face in Bright class this term - we have a student teacher, Miss. Lynne, who is working alongside Mrs. Smith and helping her to look after some of our lovely Year 1 pupils. Miss. Lynne has settled into Saltergate very well and we are delighted to have her with us!

## **Safeguarding**

If you are worried about any safeguarding situations, or you feel a child is being harmed you should contact Mrs Jo Hall (Designated Safeguarding Lead) or Mrs Judith Hollywood (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead) to share your information. A message from Mr Bendelow –

Hi Saltergate School Parents & Guardians, Now we're into the fourth week of the school year and well into the routine, can I urge all drivers bringing / collecting children to reduce their speeds as they turn into and drive along Newby Crescent. I've seen numerous cars travelling at well over the 20-mph limit for the road - made more difficult with so many other parked cars and children being crossed over to / from school. It's in all our interests for everyone to keep your speed down ! I'm sure no one wants to see a child knocked over.

Can I also ask parents to cross the road with their children rather than watching them from the car or walking across ahead of the children and hoping the children are following. Again, please walk with them - you might just have to hold them back from a car travelling too quickly if they haven't seen it.

Thank you for your forbearance. The Saltergate Lollipop Man.

#### Questions-

From time to time, you may have questions about your child's day at school. We know that pupils can sometimes come home with worries, and we would always prefer you to contact us, rather than worrying about things at home.

The first person you should contact is your child's teacher, as s/he knows your child best and will be able to answer most of your questions about learning, friendships or lost jumpers!

If you have spoken to the teacher and you still feel concerned, please contact the Phase Leader for your child's section of school. Ask the office to put you in touch with the right person:

EYFS (Discovery Learning and Reception) - Mrs. Gotts

Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2) - Mrs. Rudge Key Stage 2 - (Year 3, 4 5 and 6) - Mr. Cliffe If your concern is about your child and special educational needs and/or disabilities, please contact Mrs. Hollywood, our SENDCO.

If you have spoken to the Phase Leader and still have concerns, please contact one of our Senior Leaders - Mrs. Linfoot, Mrs. Hollywood or Mrs. Hall. If you want to remain anonymous you can report concerns through the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership website click <u>here</u>. Or phone 01609 780780

It's everyone's responsibility to work together to keep children safe.

#### Applying for Pupil Premium

The deadline is approaching to apply for additional funding paid to the school to enable us to support your child throughout their education.

If your Junior aged children already qualify for Pupil Premium/Free School Meals it is likely that your younger children in the Infants will also qualify.

#### Please register here:

https://fisportal.northyorks.gov.uk/Synergy/fsm\_prereq. aspx

The Admin Team will be available in the Infant Hall on Monday 3.15pm to 4.30pm where we can provide a laptop and help you to apply.

#### Reading & Phonics Presentation – Reception and Y1

Thank you all those who attended the presentation earlier this week. As promised, please find the documents on our website. Please follow this link: <u>Saltergate Schools - Phonics and</u> <u>Reading Presentation - Reception and Year 1</u>

With the help of Oscar and Fin in Year 5, we are launching our Fantasy Football Saltergate league. If you go onto the link below you can create your own team and battle against the rest of our community. All adults, children, siblings and cousins welcome to see who can become the Saltergate fantasy football legend of this year!

You have a week to organise your team as the league will begin on Gameweek 7, the weekend of the

30<sup>th</sup> September. The code to enter our league is: lioyff

There will be a prize for the winner presented in assembly! If you're really successful, you can win prizes from the Premier League. If you need any help with entering the league (though not with your team as Mr Fleetwood is famously rubbish at Fantasy Football!) then find him in one of the Y5 classrooms.

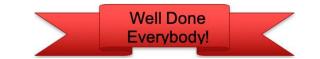
Thank you!

#### Fantasy Premier League, Official Fantasy Football Game of the Premier League

<u>Fantasy Premier League, Official Fantasy Football Game of the Premier League</u> Official Fantasy Premier League 2023/24. Free to play fantasy football game, set up your fantasy football team at the Official Premier League site.

fantasy.premierleague.com

Infants Who are the 'work stars' of the week?		
Coelho (Y2)	Freya	
Percival (Y2)	Shay	
Bright (Y1)	Arlo	
Jeffers (Y1)	Koie and Ellie	
Donaldson (Rec)	Elsie	
Adeola (Rec)	Darcey	



Juniors				
Who are the 'work stars' of the week?				
Cowell (Y6)	Suhana	Pullman (Y6)	Imogen C	
Tolkien (Y5)	Mila	Potter (Y5)	Jake	
Morpurgo (Y4)	Ethan	Rowling (Y4)	Harry	
Walliams (Y3)	William E	Dahl (Y3)	Kione	



FOSS – Friends of Saltergate School

Hi All

You should all have your colouring competition pictures/feedback forms by now. Can everyone please remember to put the child's name on the picture so we know whose is whose. Entries need to be returned by Friday 6th October. And all competition entries must come with a completed questionnaire in order for them to be included in the competition.

You should also have received an email containing our new funding request form. This is for anyone to complete with suggestions for projects/items that FOSS could raise funds for. The form is available to download in the FOSS section of the school website.

Also, FOSS are very pleased to be hosting a coffee morning for MacMillan on Wednesday 4th October. All are welcome, we will have tea, coffee and cake! We will be in the Hub from 9am. See you there!!

As always, if anyone has any great ideas or feedback they would like to share, please contact us at <u>foss@saltergateschools.co.uk</u>

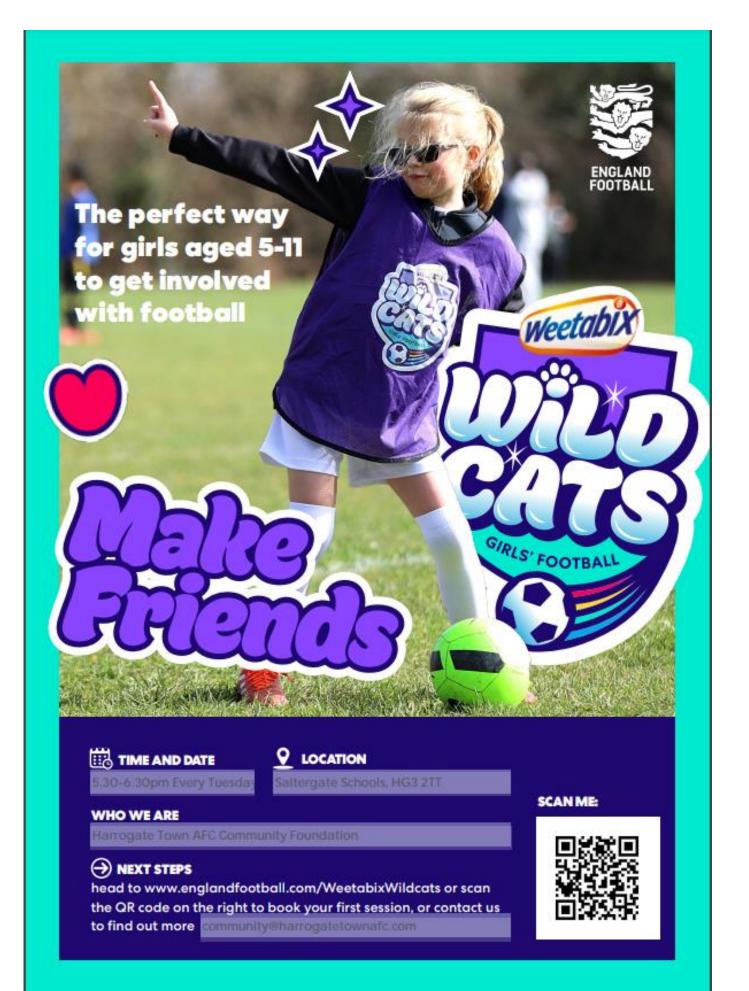
Thanks

FOSS x

We are keen to hear if anyone has any amazing ideas for fundraising. Everyone is welcome to join us at any of our meetings, keep a look out in the newsletter for the next date.

If you would like to express an interest in coming to a meeting or have any amazing ideas you would like to share, then please contact us at <u>FOSS@saltergateschools.co.uk</u>.

Alternatively, please feel free to jot an idea on the form here.



# **Important Dates and Information**

Term dates 2023-2024	Click <u>here</u>		
FOSS funding letter	Click <u>here</u>		
FOSS funding form	Click <u>here</u>		
FOSS- McMillan Coffee Morning	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October - From 9 am in the Hub		
Saltergate Gateways and Nursery Classes-September 2023 letter	Click <u>here</u>		
Important Information regarding School Gates	Click <u>here</u>		
Year 1 Reading books	Click <u>here</u>		
Autumn 2023 Lunch menu	Autumn Menu available <u>here</u> Price increase <u>letter</u>		
Operation Encompass (Domestic Abuse support)	Click <u>here</u> for details		
Year 4 – Multiplication tables check Information for parents	Information for parents click <u>here</u>		
Children with special dietary requirements	Please complete the form by clicking <u>here</u>		
CEOP helping 4–7-year-olds be safer online	www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4_7/		
Permission to attend school trips	https://forms.office.com/r/G9VzHbj95A		
Permission to have photos taken	https://forms.office.com/r/egMpHwrQnQ		
Permission to walk home (Year 5 & 6 ONLY)	https://bit.ly/3wn01U1		
Absences from school exceptional circumstances (one off event which is unavoidable)	Pupil Leave of Absence Request   Saltergate Schools		
If your child needs to have regular medication such as an asthma inhaler, please complete this form	https://forms.office.com/r/zScm8baXvE		
Pupil Premium (Free School Meals) - This is different to Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) that children Reception to Year 2 receive	Find out if you are eligible to receive free school meals and apply in a matter of minutes by scanning here: www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals		
	<b>NYES</b> Catering		

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