

# Saltergate Newsletter

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

## Message from Headteacher

### **Spring Term Week 7**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have witnessed some wonderful learning in school this week! I was lucky enough to join a Year 2 Music lesson where the children were demonstrating amazing knowledge of musical vocabulary and in-depth understanding of concepts. I also joined a Year 2 Maths lesson and could feel how hard the children were working as they concentrated on learning about odd and even numbers - their focus and application were truly impressive.

This afternoon we had our Bake Sale in aid of Children's Liver Disease Foundation, a very special event which was suggested by one of our Year 5 pupils. Alongside others from the School Council, and Mrs. Botterill, she planned and promoted this event and her passion is heartwarming! I hope that you were able to come along and buy some treats, whilst supporting her and this very valuable charity.

Have a lovely weekend,

Jo Hall

## Notices

### **Knowledge Organisers**

All knowledge organisers for this half term are on our website. Visit Years and Classes, your year group, then 'Knowledge Organisers' on the menu.

### **Thank you!**

We would like to express our thanks to the wonderful FOSS who had donated 50 books to school and Miss Hart who also took the time to find out what level they are and to label them all! As we look to expand our reading opportunities, including the new lunchtime clubs, these books will be very well received. We are truly lucky to have such thoughtful and kind parents and staff at Saltergate!

### **Packed Lunch Containers**

We have had quite a few children bring thermos food containers to school. These are not suitable to use at school as there have been many occasions where the thermos container creates a vacuum and even the adults are unable to open them. If you would like your child to have a hot meal at during the day this can be provided by school.

## **Changes to PE days for Adeola**

Reminder that Adeola's PE days are now Tuesdays and Fridays.

## **Music Spectacular!**

On Thursday, our Key Stage 1 and 2 children experienced a truly inspirational mini music concert lead by the Harrogate Music Hub. The Key Stage 1 children were so impressed, they gave the performers a standing ovation! The children learnt fascinating facts about the different instrument families and listened to a whole range of live music, including classical, jazz, blues, movies, pop and film. It really was AMAZING! The Hub will be sending all parents information about how you can enrol your child onto 'group lessons' to learn to play different instrument. How very exciting! As soon as we have this information, we shall send it out to you so... watch this space!



## **Discovery Learning – Tapestry**

We are very pleased to announce that we are now using Tapestry as our online learning journal provider.

Tapestry allows you to login with a secure username and password so you can view all your children's observations, photographs and videos. You can like and comment on observations that we add for your child and it's also possible for you to add your own observations. Your comments and own observations will allow us to find out about which activities your child really enjoyed and the learning they get up to at home.

It's also possible for you to be notified via email if there are new entries for you to view. There are lots of features we will look to develop in the future such as documents, memos and activities to do at home.

As explained above, we will use Tapestry to send you observations of your child which might include photos and videos. If you give your permission in the [form here](#), you will be able to see group observations which might include photos and videos with other children as well as your own and consequently, other parents/carers might be able to view photos and videos of your child.

We do hope you enjoy using Tapestry, do let us know if you have any questions about it.

## **A Plea for Help!**

With all the coughs and colds going around we are going through lots of tissues and the cost of this comes out of our limited school budget which is used to buy the class resources.

We would be so grateful if you are able to donate a box of tissues for your class. Thank you so much for your continued support for our wonderful school.

## **Discovery Learning – Funded hours for 2 yr olds with working parents**

### **[Saltergate Schools - Discovery Learning - Early Years Setting](#)**

From next term, we are now able to accept a viable Working Family 2YO Funding code. This is a new funding stream from the DfE. Please see our Discovery Learning page above for more information.

This code must be applied for and granted this term (before Easter holidays) and provided to Mrs Tunney as soon as possible to cover the Summer Term funding.

If you are interested in applying for a place in Discovery Learning, please email

[admissions@saltergateschools.co.uk](mailto:admissions@saltergateschools.co.uk)

### Living Autism Foundation

Living Autism Foundation is a charity who help autistic people, their families and carers. One of our main objectives is to provide workshops which will offer information and approaches to help reduce anxieties and to improve health and wellbeing.

We have organised our next workshop at **York CVS, 15 Priory Street, York, YO1 6ET, on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2024 from 09.30am to 12.30pm.** Our guest speaker, Geoff Evans is one of the country's leading authorities on autism, with over 30 years' experience. Geoff will provide an overview of Pathological Demand (Extreme) Avoidance, including how it is defined and its impact upon the autistic person and their families. He will discuss possible explanations including; high levels of stress and anxiety; Intolerance of Uncertainty (IoU); and low self esteem; as well as the behaviours/strategies the young person may use to avoid demands. He will also explore ways of supporting the individual and where further advice and support can be accessed.

The workshops are free to attend, however, should anyone attending feel they could support these or future workshops with a voluntary donation, this would be very much appreciated. A large part of our funding relies on donations.

Click [here](#) to access the booking form



<u>Infants</u> Who are the 'work stars' of the week?	
Coelho (Y2)	Amra
Percival (Y2)	Sofia
Bright (Y1)	Alice
Jeffers (Y1)	Darcie
Donaldson (Rec)	Evie
Adeola (Rec)	Everyone in Adeola! I am so proud of your story maps. Well done!

<u>Juniors</u> Who are the 'work stars' of the week?			
Cowell (Y6)	Liam	Pullman (Y6)	Elisa
Tolkien (Y5)	Ruby	Potter (Y5)	Tobias
Morpurgo (Y4)	Aubrey	Rowling (Y4)	Holly
Walliams (Y3)	James Henry	Dahl (Y3)	Rocco



## **Home to School Travel Policy**

Consultation on proposed changes to the Council's Home to School Travel Policy.


The necessary information can be found here on the Council's website.

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/your-council/consultations-and-engagement/current-consultations/home-school-travel-policy-consultation>

## **Cost of Living Help**

If you're struggling to pay for food and other essentials, there are local schemes and organisations in North Yorkshire which may be able to help or point you in the right direction. You'll find information about emergency financial support, managing debt, benefit entitlement, energy bills and staying connected all in one place at [www.northyorks.gov.uk/costofliving](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/costofliving)



Term dates 2023-2024	Click <a href="#">here</a>
FOSS funding letter	Click <a href="#">here</a>
FOSS funding form	Click <a href="#">here</a>
Spring term 2024 Lunch menu	Spring Menu available <a href="#">here</a> Price increase <a href="#">letter</a>
Operation Encompass (Domestic Abuse support)	Click <a href="#">here</a> for details
Children with special dietary requirements	Please complete the form by clicking <a href="#">here</a>
CEOP helping 4–7-year-olds be safer online	<a href="http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4_7/">www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4_7/</a>
Permission to walk home (Year 5 & 6 ONLY)	<a href="https://bit.ly/3wn01U1">https://bit.ly/3wn01U1</a>
Absences from school exceptional circumstances (one off event which is unavoidable)	<a href="#">Pupil Leave of Absence Request   Saltergate Schools</a>
If your child needs to have regular medication such as an asthma inhaler, please complete this form	<a href="https://forms.office.com/r/zScm8baXvE">https://forms.office.com/r/zScm8baXvE</a>
Change of contact details form	<a href="#">Change of contact details form</a>
Discovery Learning Newsletters	<a href="#">Saltergate Schools - Discovery Learning Newsletters</a>
Application for Reception September 2024	<a href="#">Reception - September 2024</a>
Application for Year 3 September 2024	<a href="#">Year 3 - September 2024</a>
Pupil Premium (Free School Meals) - This is different to Infant Free School Meals (UFSM) that children Reception to Year 2 receive	<div><div>Find out if you are eligible to receive free school meals and apply in a matter of minutes by scanning here: <a href="http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals">www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals</a></div><div></div><div><b>NYES</b>   Catering</div></div>



# Community

## Chess Association

The Harrogate and District Primary Schools Chess Association is holding its annual Harrogate Junior Chess Championships at The Manhattan Club, Beech Avenue, Harrogate HG2 8DY on Saturday 16th March 2024 from 9am to 1pm.

We would be very grateful if you would pass this information on to parents/guardians of your children. The event is free to enter to all Harrogate & District Primary School children, all are welcome to take part, irrespective of playing ability. Please use the link below for entry. Entry and further details can be found at: <https://hgjuniorchess.wixsite.com/websiteFacebook>

page: <https://www.facebook.com/JuniorChessHarrogate>

## Anxiety UK

Please follow the link to find some useful resources to help children with anxiety - [www.anxietyuk.org.uk/resources/](http://www.anxietyuk.org.uk/resources/)

## 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.

If you want to remain anonymous you can report concerns through the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership website click [here](#).

Or phone 01609 780780 - It's everyone's responsibility to work together to keep children safe.

Up to 33% Discount - If eligible for Childcare Vouchers or Tax Free Childcare



**ENGLISH AND MATHS TUTORING**

'Online' or 'In-Centre' from ages 6 - 16

Primary - Secondary • Qualified Teachers • Personalised Learning Programmes

Book a **free assessment** today

Harrogate • 01423 52 02 92

[kipmcgrath.co.uk/harrogate](http://kipmcgrath.co.uk/harrogate)

Primary and Secondary Staff Required

**Kip McGrath EDUCATION CENTRES**

**DOES YOUR CHILD NEED A LITTLE EXTRA HELP?**

- ✓ Maths
- ✓ English
- ✓ Reading
- ✓ Spelling
- ✓ 11 Plus
- ✓ GCSE

Conquer the core subjects with Kip McGrath.

We've a ★★★★★ rating on Google, Yell and Facebook


Book a **free assessment** today

Harrogate • 01423 52 02 92

Second Floor 23 Victoria Avenue, Harrogate, HG1 5RD, North Yorkshire

[kipmcgrath.co.uk/harrogate](http://kipmcgrath.co.uk/harrogate)

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD  
SOLIHULL APPROACH




**2024**  
**A YEAR FOR BETTER EMOTIONAL HEALTH**

EMOTIONAL WELLBEING CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE TO CHILDREN'S PROSPECTS IN SCHOOL AND BEYOND

In North Yorkshire, we believe in supporting children's emotional health development, and that's why we've invested in online courses in understanding your child for parents. So you can have **FREE ACCESS**.

By understanding how your child's brain develops and responds emotionally, you can better support their needs as they navigate the big milestones in school.



- Learn to better read and understand behaviour
- Help them to communicate how they feel
- Gain psychologist-informed ideas to support your child

**GO TO INOURPLACE.CO.UK**  
AND ENTER THE CODE: NYFAMILIES  
FOR FREE ACCESS TO THE ONLINE COURSES

# LEE'S PREMIER FOOTBALL COACHING

## KS2 (Y3-Y6) Football Training

Saltergate Schools  
Newby Crescent, HG3 2TT

Wednesdays  
5pm - 6pm


4 week bookings available



SCAN ME



[www.leespremierfc.co.uk](http://www.leespremierfc.co.uk)  
leroycarthur09@googlemail.com



The perfect way  
for girls aged 5-11  
to get involved  
with football

**Wild CATS**  
GIRLS' FOOTBALL

**Make Friends**


**TIME AND DATE**  
5.30-6.30pm Every Tuesday

**LOCATION**  
Saltergate Schools, HG3 2TT

**WHO WE ARE**  
Harrogate Town AFC Community Foundation

**NEXT STEPS**  
head to [www.englandfootball.com/WeetabixWildcats](http://www.englandfootball.com/WeetabixWildcats) or scan the QR code on the right to book your first session, or contact us to find out more [community@harrogatetownafc.com](mailto:community@harrogatetownafc.com)

SCAN ME:



# Friends of Saltergate Schools

## FOSS – Friends of Saltergate School

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 [FOSS@saltergateschools.co.uk](mailto:FOSS@saltergateschools.co.uk).

Alternatively, please feel free to jot an idea on the form [here](#).



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

THESE ARE OUR INITIAL EVENTS THAT WE HAVE PLANNED, WITH OTHERS TBD...

- **FRIDAY 23RD FEB - FRIDAY 1ST MAR - FUND 'RAISIN'**
- **TUESDAY 5TH MAR - FRIDAY 16TH MAR - 'SALTER-BAR' GOLDEN TICKET SALE**
- **TUESDAY 7TH MAY - FOSS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
- **FRIDAY 17TH MAY - SCHOOL DISCO**
- **FRIDAY 24TH MAY - BAKE SALE**
- **SATURDAY 29TH JUNE - SUMMER FAIR**
- **DATE TBC - YEAR 6 LEAVERS PARTY**

WE WILL OF COURSE BE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP US OUT. IF YOU THINK YOU MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST THEN PLEASE EMAIL US - WE CANNOT DO THESE THINGS WITHOUT YOU!!!

## EMAIL

**Foss@saltergateschools.co.uk**