



Saltergate Newsletter

Friday 20th December 2024



Message from Headteacher

Autumn Term 2 Week 7

Dear Parents and Carers,

For my Christmas newsletter message, I would like to share an amazing poem that has been written by Arran, one of our Year 4 pupils. I think it is brilliant and I hope you enjoy it!

Have a peaceful and safe Christmas,

Jo Hall

T'was the night before Christmas where the city was filled with lights
Where all the ringing bells were pretty and all were quite the sight
And each house was filled with presents all under the tree
So each and every child woke happily all filled with glee

All thanks to Santa and his elves everyone gets treats dropped down the chimney
And everybody in the house wakes up all running to the Christmas tree
And tomorrow is Christmas day
Where everybody starts to play

So Santa is preparing to come back on his quick sleigh
And the elves will be ready to build toys another day
When all the boys and girls woke with joy
They all receive their treats, girl and boy

But in the night where everything is still
And the city doesn't move until...
Santa races into houses with a flash
And lands on the floor with a hard, sudden, quick bash

Santa always comes with presents and his reindeer
He also comes with his naughty tier and good tier

Jo Hall



Notices

Spring 2025 PE timetable-

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception	PE				PE
Bright		PE		PE	
Percival		PE		PE	
Coelho				PE	PE
Year 3		PE			PE
Year 4	PE	PE			
Year 5		PE		PE	
Year 6		PE	PE		

Parking

This is a reminder that parents/carers must not park on the double yellow lines by the school gates at any time. This is causing an obstruction to our school grounds and must be kept clear for emergency vehicles. This is also a danger to our children when they are having to cross the road between illegally parked cars. We have also had a number of calls from concerned residents who are reporting that parents are driving above the speed limit on Newby Crescent. Please be mindful that your children are crossing the road in this area and want to ensure everyone is kept safe.

ParentPay Debts

Please log into your ParentPay accounts and check if you have a debit balance for any of the payment items. Please ensure you are clearing any outstanding debts each week/month.

Final Reminder - Deadline to apply for a place in Reception & Year 3

The application window to apply for a school place for your child to join Reception or Year 3 in September 2025 is now open and will close on the 14th January. For any child who is currently in Year 2 at Saltergate Infant School, please be aware that you **must** apply for a place in Year 3 at Saltergate Junior School if you would like them to move across next year.

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions>

[How to help your child if Christmas makes them anxious](#)

For those who think the holidays might be a difficult time for their child, tips from Young Minds for how you can alleviate the pressure and support their wellbeing.

[Christmas and mental health](#)

Learn how Christmas might affect your mental health. Find tips on how to cope and ways to support someone else.

[Preparing for Christmas: autism resources](#)

The Christmas period can be a very exciting but often stressful time for many autistic people. It can be a time with lots of change, social interaction and expectations. NAS have put together a list of resources that may prove helpful in making this time as special and stress free as possible.

Work Stars of the Week

Infants	
Who are the 'work stars' of the week?	
Coelho (Y1/2)	Ellie
Percival (Y1/2)	Kayla
Bright (Y1/2)	Aurora
Donaldson (Rec)	All of Delightful Donaldson!
Adeola (Rec)	All of Amazing Adeola!

Juniors			
Who are the 'work stars' of the week?			
Cowell (Y6)	All of Charismatic Cowell!	Rauf (Y6)	All of Radiant Rauf!
Palmer (Y5)	All of Peaceful Palmer!	Palacio (Y5)	All of Precious Palacio!
Morpurgo (Y4)	All of Magnificent Morpurgo!	Rosen (Y4)	All of Rapturous Rosen!
Walliams (Y3)	All of Wonderful Walliams!	Dahl (Y3)	All of Delightful Dahl!

Well Done
Everybody!



Friends of Saltergate Schools

Dear Parents/Carers

We've made it to the end of term!

All the children who wrote to Santa via the Foss post-box should have received their replies. There may have even been some Nice List certificates!! Hopefully all the children are happy with their reply from the big man.

Everyone who won an in-school voucher on our 'Christmas Tree Treats' stall at the Christmas Fair (manned by the lovely Mrs Hall), should hand their prize vouchers to their teacher, if they haven't already. Class teachers can then liaise with whoever necessary to ensure the winner receives their prize!

We will be sending out a new 'Dates for your diary' list once we come back in January. And we already have plans underway, so watch this space.

As always, if you have any questions, queries or comments then feel free to get in touch with us by email:

Foss@saltergateschools.co.uk

For now though, have a lovely Christmas break! See you next year!!



MERRY CHRISTMAS

And Happy New Year

THANK YOU FOR ALL THE SUPPORT THIS
FIRST TERM. SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!!!

AS ALWAYS. IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS,
FEEDBACK OR WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED
PLEASE GET IN TOUCH

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Important

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.

Term dates 2024-2025	Click here
FOSS funding letter	Click here
FOSS funding form	Click here
Autumn term 2024 Lunch menu. This new menu will start from November 4 th .	Click here
Operation Encompass (Domestic Abuse support)	Click here for details
Children with special dietary requirements	Please complete the form by clicking here
CEOP helping 4–7-year-olds be safer online	www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4_7/
Permission to walk home (Year 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
Discovery Learning Newsletters	Saltergate Schools - Discovery Learning Newsletters
Application for Reception September 2025	Click here
Application for Year 3 September 2025	Click here



Community

NHS Pharmacy First Service

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that we can help children feel better and get back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

<u>Common condition</u>	<u>Patient eligibility</u>
Earache	1 to 17 years
Impetigo	1 year and over
Infected insect bites and stings	1 year and over
Sore throats	5 years and over
Sinusitis	12 years and over
Uncomplicated urinary tract	Women 16 to 64 years
Shingles	18 years and over



SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH MATHS!

Does it baffle you trying to understand the way your child is taught maths in school? Then these online evening courses are for you!

Supporting your child with Key Stage 2 Maths Mondays 11 November - 16 December, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Support your child to develop their maths skills in line with the current curriculum while improving your own maths ability. You will also explore tips and techniques to ensure that your child is fully prepared for their maths journey in Key Stage Two and beyond.

Supporting your child with Year 6 Maths Mondays 24 February - 24 March, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

With the return of year 6 SATs this year, this course will provide you with increased knowledge of SATs content and how you can support your child.

For further information please phone and ask to speak with a Learner Engagement Officer

**Web: www.northyorks.gov.uk/adultlearning
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Email: adultlearningservice@northyorks.gov.uk**

