SARISBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND JUNIOR SCHOOL

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4th January 2016

Dear Parents,

A warm welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and in my first newsletter of 2016, I would like to begin by wishing you all a very Happy New Year. This promises to be another busy and enjoyable term at SJS and I would ask that you refer to our website for details of this term's events. Year Group Leaders will also be writing to parents shortly with details of the curriculum activities planned for the spring term.

Clubs:
Our clubs programme will resume in the week beginning 11th January and we hope that the weather allows outdoor clubs to run as normal. Please note that the choir will run as normal this week.

Ukulele Concert:
Year 3 will be holding their Ukulele concert at 11:00am on Tuesday 5th January to share the songs they learned before Christmas. This concert will also include a performance from the children in Year 3 and 4 who have individual music lessons with Mr Hayles and again, parents are warmly invited to attend.

Class Assemblies:
Parents are warmly invited to attend their child's class assembly this term and I include the relevant dates for your diaries.

Friday 15th January	***Class 6SM***	***Friday 4th March***	***Class 6DR***
Friday 22nd January	***Class 5PD***	***Friday 11th March***	***Class 5SH***
Friday 29th January	*In-Service Day*	***Friday 18th March***	***Class 4ET***
Friday 5th February	***Class 4LH***	***Friday 25th March***	*Good Friday Bank Holiday*
Friday 12th February	***Class 3SC***		

Class assemblies will begin at 9:00am and as the spring term is shorter in length, the class assemblies for 6PB, 5AC, 4PD, 3CH and 3JL will take place during the first half of the summer term. I have included other dates for your diaries during the spring term, which I hope parents will find useful, at the end of this newsletter.

Year 5 Swimming:
Children in Class 5PD will commence their swimming lessons in the week beginning 11th January. These sessions take place at Fareham Leisure Centre on a Monday afternoon and last for 5 weeks.

PFA Film Evenings:
Please note that we will be hosting two film evenings this half term. The 15th January will be for pupils in Years 5 and 6, and the 22nd January for pupils in Years 3 and 4. Further details are available from our PFA via the school admin team.

Uniform:
As we begin the new school term, may I thank parents for their continued support with our policy. Our uniform is an important part of the school's sense of community and we are committed to maintaining the highest standards throughout the year.

May I also remind parents that:

- sensible **school shoes** and not trainers should be worn
- girls' skirts and summer dresses should be at least knee length
- children should not wear jewellery other than ***small stud earrings and watches***, which should be removed for PE and games lessons.
- boots are permitted, but we ask that these are suitable for school and not the fashion variety

In order to keep lost property to a minimum, please would parents ensure **all uniform**, **coats** and **lunchboxes** are clearly labelled with your child's name. Unclaimed lost property is kept in school for a short time before being donated to a local clothes bank; once again your support is appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

A. J. Stockton

Mr A. J. Stockton
Headteacher

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Diary Dates for the Spring Term:

Monday 4th January	**Term Begins**
Tuesday 5th January	Ukulele concert @ 11am
Thursday 7th January	Year 6 to Harry Potter World
Monday 11th January	Year 5 Swimming (Class 5PD – 5 weeks)
Monday 11th January	Spring term club activities begin
Monday 11th January	Year 6 Bikeability (further details to follow)
Friday 15th January	SJS Film Night for Year 5 and Year 6
Friday 22nd January	SJS Film Night for Year 3 and Year 4
Friday 29th January	***In-Service Day Closure***
Friday 29th January	Portsdown Race 4 – this will run as normal
Friday 5th February	Portsdown Race 5
Friday 12th February	Year 4 to Sea City, Southampton
	Spring term discos (to be confirmed)
	Portsdown Race 6
Monday 15th February	**Half Term Holiday**
Monday 22nd February	Mock SATs Week for Year 6
Wednesday 2nd March	Year 3 to Swanwick Nature Reserve
Friday 4th March	Year 3 to Swanwick Nature Reserve
Friday 4th March	Crookhorn College Championship Race
Wednesday 16th March	Parents' Evening 4:00 to 7:30pm
Thursday 17th March	Parents' Evening 4:00 to 7:30pm
Monday 21st March	Class Photographs
Tuesday 22nd March	Year 5 Easter Production 7:00pm
Wednesday 23rd March	Year 5 Easter Production 7:00pm
Thursday 24th March	Easter Services
Thursday 24th March	**Term Ends**
Friday 25th March	**Good Friday Bank Holiday**
Monday 11th April	**Summer Term Begins**