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together for success**

**21<sup>st</sup> July 2017**

Dear Parents,

As the end of another very successful school year at Sarisbury draws to a close, may I on behalf of everyone associated with the school, thank you once again for the tremendous support we have received. I would like also to pay tribute to the energy, dedication and enthusiasm of the staff team at SJS who, once again, have worked tirelessly to ensure that the children receive a wide range of enjoyable and valuable learning opportunities, including the fantastic selection of club activities run throughout the year. The sense of community and generous support we receive from parents is just one of the many things that make SJS a very special place to be.

**Sarisbury School Games Results:**

Firstly may I take this opportunity to thank everyone who came along to support our sports afternoons on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July. The two events were a great success and I must thank Mrs Hartley, Mr Munsie and the staff team for their excellent organisation. When Colour Team Points for both the Lower and Upper School events were collated, the results for our 2017 Sarisbury School Games were as follows:

**Green Team 897 points**  
**Red Team 995 points**  
**Black Team 983 points**  
**Yellow Team 923 points**  
**Blue Team 1054 points**

Many congratulations to our Blue Team who are this year's champions in what was a very exciting and very close competition. I must also say a big thank you to our team of LSAs who compiled the results for this year.

**Year 6 Production:**

Many congratulations to everyone in Year 6 for their brilliant production of 'Schools Will Rock You'. The high standards achieved in all aspects of the show were fantastic to see and I know parents in Year 6 who came to see the production were truly amazed at the enthusiasm, energy and outstanding standard of the performance. I would like to thank Mr Munsie, Mrs Hamblin and Miss King for the excellent work that went into staging the show and to the support staff who did an outstanding job with costumes, props and scenery. It was a thoroughly enjoyable project that gave everyone in Year 6 an opportunity to contribute to something truly special. We certainly brought the West End to SJS and what a wonderful way for Year 6 to end their time with us and we are all very proud of them.

**Open Evening:**

Thank you to all those who attended our Open Evening last Wednesday and the positive feedback we received about the change in format this year. The classroom and shared areas looked superb and I'm sure you will join me in thanking the staff who put a great deal of effort into preparing for the evening.

Thank you also for the many questionnaires we have received about provision at SJS and the progress your child has made this year. We will include a summary of the results of this year's survey in the first newsletter in the autumn term. Your feedback is much appreciated and helpful.

**Summer Prom:**

Many congratulations to all of our singers and musicians for their excellent performances in our summer concert which took place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July. I must say a huge thank you to Mrs Carter and Mr Cranston who spent a great deal of time rehearsing with the children in preparation for the concert and for the their work with the orchestra this year. A big thank you also to Mrs Jones for her help with the school choir.

**PFA:**

The Friends Association have contributed a great deal to the school during this year and I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Claire Husbands who is ending her association with the school this summer, for her fantastic support and contribution as a member of our PFA Committee over the past six years.

We would always welcome new members to our PFA Committee and if you are interested, please come along to the AGM on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 6:30pm** in the school hall.

### **School Organisation / Planning and Preparation Time:**

Following my newsletter on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, in which I outlined some of the school's organisation for September, I am writing with further details about arrangements for the new academic year.

As you will be aware, all class teachers are entitled to a ½ day a week non-contact time to plan, prepare and assess children's work (PPA time). At Sarisbury, we organise our cover so that year teams are released to plan together.

This enables teachers to discuss planning and provision for the children, undertake assessment and moderation activities and ensure that the best possible learning opportunities are available for them. I include details below on which member of staff will be covering your child's class.

Class 3PD:	Miss Stevenson	Tuesday am	Class 4LH:	Miss Stevenson	Tuesday pm
Class 3DR:	Mrs Townson	Tuesday am	Class 4PD:	Mrs Townson	Tuesday pm
Class 3ET:	Mrs Picken	Tuesday am	Class 4JL:	Mrs Picken	Tuesday pm
Class 5SC:	Miss Stevenson	Wednesday am	Class 6SM:	Miss Stevenson	Wednesday pm
Class 5VH:	Mrs Townson	Wednesday am	Class 6CH:	Mrs Picken	Wednesday pm
Class 5AY:	Mrs Picken	Wednesday am	Class 6SH:	Mrs Townson	Wednesday pm

Mrs Bleeck is planning to reduce her time in school to four days from September and will continue to oversee the intervention and tutoring support to pupils who require a more personalised learning programme in literacy and numeracy. Mrs Bleeck, as the school's SENCo, will also have responsibility for Special Educational Needs provision throughout the school.

Mrs Durnford is the school's Emotional Literacy Support Assistant and provides home / school link work.

### **School Uniform:**

School uniform is an important part of our school's ethos and sense of community at Sarisbury. We are committed to maintaining the highest of standards and as we prepare for the new school year, I would like to remind you of Sarisbury's uniform policy and include details below:

- *Red jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo*
- *White shirt, blouse or polo shirt with school logo*
- *Dark Grey or black trousers or skirt. Shorts or a red summer dress may also be worn*
- *Sensible school shoes, and not trainers or fashion boots, should be worn at all times*

### **Optional**

- *Grey or red fleece with school logo*

### **PE Kit**

Each class has two sessions of PE each week and it is important that children have the appropriate kit for these sessions:

- *Black shorts*
- *White t-shirt (with school logo where possible)*
- *Plimsolls*
- *Trainers (outdoor activities only)*

During the colder months it is advisable for your child to wear either a track suit or jogging bottoms and sweatshirt; a high quality track suit is available from M&S with the school's logo.

Children are not permitted to wear jewellery other than small stud earrings and watches, which should be removed for all PE and Games lessons.

Our uniform can be purchased from 'Marks & Spencer' and 'Skool Kit'; details are available from the admin team, or on the school's website. We regularly collect, and recycle, a large amount of lost property and therefore, please will parents ensure that **children's clothing is labelled clearly with their child's name and class.**

Good quality name labels are available from a company called **Stikins** who specialise in labels that need no sewing or ironing; I believe these are used by a number of parents already and come highly recommended. Please order these online at [www.stikins.co.uk](http://www.stikins.co.uk) quoting the school number **17499**.

### **School Dinner Payments**

Please can we remind parents that as meals are made to order, we require pre-payment of school dinners. For parents who use online payments there is a new service available to help with budgeting. Check this out when you next login set up a text alert which reminds you when your funds are running low to arrange a top-up. Please can we ask you to ensure that any accounts that are in debt are repaid by the end of term. We have currently a shortfall in payments of over £500.

### **Free School Meals**

If you think your child is eligible for free school meals, then please follow the link below to check and register your details:

[www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants](http://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants)

### **Sports Kit & Medicines:**

We would be grateful if all children who represented the school in sports teams this year could check wardrobes for any Sarisbury sports kit and return this to school as soon as possible; we have lost a large number of Portsdown Cross Country running bibs and these must be at home!

Please can you also collect any medicines you have for your child from the school office before Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July; any left at the end of term will be disposed of.

### **In-Service Days for 2017 – 2018**

Working with our Infants School colleagues, we have now set the in-service days for the new academic year; these are as follows:

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018

(please note that the last day of the school year at Sarisbury schools will be **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018**)

### **Year 5 Swimming for September 2017:**

We will continue to use the new leisure centre for our swimming programme in Year 5 next year and as it is within walking distance, we have been able to negotiate additional sessions throughout term. Year 5 classes will swim every week for a term giving 12 swimming sessions instead of the five sessions they have had previously at Fareham Leisure Centre. There will be an additional charge and for 12 sessions, led by three qualified instructors, the cost will be £40. Further details will follow in the new term but for Class 5SC, the first swimming session will be Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Oliver Twist**

As a welcome back treat, we have arranged for M&M Productions to perform their version of Oliver Twist. This will take place at 1:45pm on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October and we would ask that parents provide a voluntary contribution of £2 to cover the cost of the production. This is available to be paid via our on-line payment system.

### **Curriculum Information:**

You will find on our school's website all the updated project themes and curriculum links for September as well as an overview of our 'Sarisbury Learner' which has a high profile at SJS.

### **And finally...**

We offer our love and best wishes to Mrs Jones who leaves us at the end of this year to begin her maternity leave. We look forward to news of the safe arrival of baby number 2!

Thank you To Mr Carr and Miss King who leave SJS at the end of this term. We would like to take the opportunity to wish them every success in their new posts and to thank them for the excellent contribution they have made to Sarisbury in the year they have been with us.

To the parents and children of Year 6 who are moving on at the end of their four years at Sarisbury, thank you for your tremendous contribution and generosity during your time with us. We all have very fond memories of their time at Sarisbury Junior and wish them every success and the very best of luck at their new schools.

Have a lovely summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**.

*A. J. Stockton*

Mr Andrew J. Stockton  
Headteacher

**Initial Autumn Term Dates for your Diary:**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October  
W/B 16<sup>th</sup> October  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October  
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Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December

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**In-Service Day Closure**

**Autumn Term 1 Begins**

Oliver Twist – M&M Productions  
Year 3 Scooter Training  
Year 6 Information Evening (6:30pm)  
Year 3 Information Evening (6:30pm)  
Year 5 Swimming (Class 5SC) – 12 weeks  
PFA AGM (6:30pm)  
Year 3 to visit Sarisbury Green  
Stone Farm Information Evening (6:30pm)  
East Dean Residential (IoW) Information Evening (6:30pm)  
Year 3 to Winchester (geography field trip)  
Year 5 Bikeability (cycle training)  
Y3 & Y4 Open Classrooms to see children's work (4pm to 5:30pm)  
Y5 & Y6 Open Classrooms to see children's work (4pm to 5:30pm)  
Harvest Festival  
Individual School Photographs  
Open Evening for Year 2 Parents

**Half Term Holiday**

**In-Service Day Closure**

**Autumn Term 2 Begins**

Year 5 to Ashmolean Museum (Egyptian Topic)

Remembrance Service @ 10:45am  
Year 6 SATs Information Evening  
Parents' Evening 4:00pm to 7:30pm  
Parents' Evening 4:00pm to 7:30pm

Year 4 Nativity @ St Paul's  
Year 4 Nativity @ St Paul's  
Carol Services

**End of Term**

*Other dates regarding school trips during the autumn term will follow once confirmed.*