



19<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## ***Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas!***

Dear Parents,

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to thank everyone who came to our Christmas Carol Concert on Tuesday of last week. There was a lovely atmosphere with superb singing from the children in the choir and great performances from our orchestra and soloists – what a lovely way to celebrate Christmas and the talents of our young musicians at Sarisbury.

Several members of the choir also performed at the Family Carol Service at St Paul's on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December and again, did themselves proud with the quality of their singing.

Thank you also for your support and generosity at our recent Christmas Fair where, along with the secret room gifts, we raised a profit over £2400! I am very grateful for the enthusiasm, energy and excellent contribution of our PFA team who did a fantastic job in ensuring these events ran so smoothly.

### **This week's Christmas Events:**

Year 4 presented their first Christmas Nativity performance at St Paul's Church on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and what an excellent evening it was! My congratulations and thanks go to Mrs Hart, Miss Dane, Mr Langdon and the staff and children in Year 4 for their superb production. The second performance will take place at St Paul's on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

If you are free on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December and able to walk the children to and from the Carol Services at St Paul's, we would be very grateful. The **Lower School** will be leaving school at 9:20am and the **Upper School** leaving at 11:00am. You will be welcome to stay for the service as well as join the staff for mince pies as a thank you for your help! Please contact the admin team if you are free.

### **Christmas Jumper Day:**

Please support us on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December when we will be wearing a Christmas Jumper and / or non-school uniform in aid of 'Save the Children' fund for a small donation of £1; thank you.

### **Club Activities:**

Club activities will start in the week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Further details about clubs running during the spring term will appear in my first newsletter of the New Year. Parents can also access a variety of information about the school, including club activities, on our website.

### **Book Fair:**

Thank you for your support with our recent book fair and we are delighted to say that following sales of over £610, Scholastic have matched the amount taken with new books for the school library.

### **Staffing Update:**

You will recall from a previous newsletter that Mrs Hartley leaves us at the end of this term to begin a senior leadership role at Hiltingbury Junior School. We would like to wish Mrs Hartley every success in her new post and thank her for the contribution she has made at Sarisbury in her time with us.

I am delighted to confirm that Mrs Wright will join the Year 6 team for the spring term and that, with effect from April 2018, Miss King returns to Sarisbury to take up a teaching position in Year 6.

This has been a very enjoyable and successful term at Sarisbury and I am grateful for the efforts and contribution given by all associated with the school. Thank you also to all of our parent helpers for their support this term. On behalf of the staff at Sarisbury, Governors and myself, may I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and wish you all a very Happy Christmas and peaceful New Year.

Yours sincerely,

*A.J. Stockton*

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Headteacher

## **Dates for the Spring Term:**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January

February 2018 (tbc)  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February  
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**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

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Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April**

### **Term Begins**

Year 6 to Harry Potter World  
Year 5 Swimming (Class 5VH – 12 weeks)  
SJS Film Night for Year 5 and Year 6  
Spring term club activities begin  
SJS Film Night for Year 3 and Year 4  
Portsmouth Race 4 – this will run as normal

Year 5 to River Hamble (field trip)  
Portsmouth Race 5  
Portsmouth Race 6  
Spring term discos (to be confirmed)

### **Half Term Holiday**

### **Term starts**

Mock SATs Week for Year 6

Year 4 to Sea City Museum

Crookhorn College Championship Race  
Parents' Evening 4:00 to 7:30pm  
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Year 5 Easter Production 7:00pm  
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Easter Services

### **Term Ends**

### **Good Friday Bank Holiday**

### **Summer Term Begins**