



**Working and learning
together for success**

18th July 2018

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 extra-curricular 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 presentation assembly. This is always a lovely occasion where we have the chance to reflect on the achievements of our young sports men and women and of course, announce the colour team champions for 2018. The results for our 2018 Sarisbury School Games were as follows:

Green Team 900 points
Black Team 1009 points
Red Team 1018 points
Blue Team 1150 points
Yellow Team 1257 points

Well done to our Yellow Team who are this year's champions in what was a very exciting and very close competition.

Year 6 Production:

Many congratulations to everyone in Year 6 for their brilliant production of 'Mary Poppins'. 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 excellent standard of the performance. I would like to thank Mr Munsie, Mrs Hamblin and Miss King for the outstanding work that went into staging the show and to the support staff who did an amazing 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 today. The classroom and shared areas reflected the high standards of work at SJS and I am sure you will join me in thanking the staff who put a great deal of effort into preparing for the evening at the end of a very busy term!

Summer Prom & Collaborative Concert:

Many congratulations to all of our singers and musicians for their excellent performances in our summer concert, which took place on Tuesday 17th 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 their work with the orchestra this year. A big thank you also to Mrs Jones for her help with the school choir.

Congratulations also to our school choir who performed brilliantly at the Brookfield Cluster Collaborative Concert on Monday evening. Their performance on 'Wings' was certainly a highlight of the evening.

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 Karen Ashworth 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 four years.

We would always welcome new members to our PFA Committee and if you are interested, please come along to the AGM on **Wednesday 19th September at 6:30pm** in the school hall.

School Organisation / Planning and Preparation Time:

Following my newsletter on 4th 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 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:	Mrs Townson	Tuesday am	Class 4LH:	Mrs Picken	Tuesday pm
Class 3PM:	Miss Stevenson	Tuesday am	Class 4SH:	Miss Stevenson	Tuesday pm
Class 3AY:	Mrs Picken	Tuesday am	Class 4DR:	Mrs Townson	Tuesday pm
Class 5SC:	Mrs Townson	Wednesday am	Class 6SM:	Mrs Picken	Wednesday pm
Class 5MC:	Miss Stevenson	Wednesday am	Class 6VH:	Mrs Townson	Wednesday pm
Class 5JL:	Mrs Picken	Wednesday am	Class 6HK:	Miss Stevenson	Wednesday pm

Mrs Bleeck, as the school's SENCo, will also have responsibility for Special Educational Needs provision throughout the school; she also leads on the school's inclusion policy.

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

Transfer Day:

We had a very successful transfer day on Friday 6th July and it was lovely to see the school as it will be for the new academic year.

Parents of children in our current Year 4 will know that three new classes have been compiled for September as children enter the Upper School. The opportunity to take a fresh look at class organisation two years into children's Key Stage 2 journey is a valuable one and we have found that this worked very successfully last year. The new class groups for this year are well balanced, will allow new friendships to develop and ensure that we are able to distribute additional intervention resources more evenly across the classes. It is also an excellent preparation for the children's transition to Secondary School, where a similar process is undertaken on entry to Year 7.

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 tracksuit or jogging bottoms and sweatshirt; a high quality tracksuit 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 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. We request that all parents with any accounts that are in debit to repay any outstanding balance by the end of term; we currently have a shortfall in payments of over £600.

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

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 several 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 Friday 20th July; any left at the end of term will be disposed of.

In-Service Days for 2018 – 2019

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

Monday 3rd September

Monday 29th October

Friday 15th February 2019

Monday 3rd June 2019

Friday 28th June 2019

Year 5 Swimming for September 2018:

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 19th September.

Alice in Wonderland

As a welcome back treat, we have arranged for M&M Productions to perform their version of Alice in Wonderland. This will take place at 1:45pm on Thursday 6th September and we would ask that parents provide a voluntary contribution of £2.50 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...

Thank you to Miss Taylor, Miss Cooper, Mrs Macadam and Mrs Wright 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 time 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 4th September.**

A. J. Stockton

Mr Andrew J. Stockton
Headteacher

Initial Autumn Term Dates for your Diary:

Monday 3rd September

Tuesday 4th September

Thursday 6th September

Thursday 13th September

Tuesday 18th September

Wednesday 19th September

Wednesday 19th September

Tuesday 25th September

Wednesday 26th September

Wednesday 26th September

Friday 5th October

Wednesday 10th October

Thursday 11th October

Friday 12th October

Tuesday 16th October

Thursday 18th October

Monday 22nd October

Monday 29th October

Tuesday 30th October

Friday 9th November

Thursday 15th November

Wednesday 21st November

Thursday 22nd November

Wednesday 28th November

Tuesday 18th December

Wednesday 19th December

Thursday 20th December

Friday 21st December

In-Service Day Closure

Autumn Term 1 Begins

Alice in Wonderland – M&M Productions

Year 6 Information Evening (6:30pm)

Year 3 Information Evening (6:30pm)

Year 5 Swimming (Class 5SC) – 12 weeks

PFA AGM (6:30pm)

East Dean Residential (IoW) Information Evening (6:30pm)

Year 3 to visit Sarisbury Green

Stone Farm Information Evening (6:30pm)

Harvest Festival

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)

Year 3 to Winchester (geography field trip)

Individual School Photographs

Open Evening for Year 2 Parents

Half Term Holiday

In-Service Day Closure

Autumn Term 2 Begins

Remembrance Service @ 10:45am

Year 6 SATs Information Evening

Parents' Evening 4:00pm to 7:30pm

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Flu Vaccinations (Years 3, 4 & 5)

Year 4 Nativity @ St Paul's

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Carol Services

End of Term

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