



21st September 2018

**Working and learning
together for success**

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your support in ensuring a very successful start to the school year at Sarisbury and now we are well underway, I am writing with further details about some of our term's events.

Harvest Celebrations

Our Harvest assembly will take place on Friday 5th October and we will be supporting the 'Basics Bank' appeal organised by The Friends of the Homeless in Fareham and Gosport. We would be very grateful if the children could bring in items from the following list:

<i>Sugar</i>	<i>Tinned fish</i>	<i>Tinned meat</i>	<i>Tinned spaghetti</i>	<i>Pasta</i>
<i>Sauces</i>	<i>Tinned fruit</i>	<i>Jam / Marmalade</i>	<i>Biscuits</i>	<i>Chocolate bars</i>
<i>Soap</i>	<i>Shampoo</i>	<i>Toothpaste</i>	<i>Toothbrush</i>	

This is a charity that we are always keen to support and as a Rights Respecting School, we feel it is important for children to have the opportunity to think about those in need of our help. The Fareham and Gosport Basics Bank has a rapidly increasing number of families accessing its services and for this reason, this seems a particularly worthy cause. Please would children bring items into school in the week beginning Monday 24th September, and by Thursday 4th October at the latest; once again your support and contribution is very much appreciated.

Languages learning at SJS

In order to develop languages further at Sarisbury, the school has invested in a fun and helpful on-line learning platform which all children and parents will have the opportunity to access. The resource is provided by linguascope.com and the link and log on details are included below:

www.linguascope.com

username: sjspupil

password: spanish1

Please take the time to access the site, log on and see what games and activities are there for your child to enjoy at home as well as in school.

Jeans 4 Genes

On Friday 5th October, we will be supporting the 'Jeans for Genes' appeal. Children that wish to participate can wear jeans for the day for a £1 donation towards the appeal. Further details about the charity and its work will be shared with children during the course of next week.

Parents Information Evenings

Thank you to the parents of children in Year 3 and Year 6 who joined us at the recent information evenings. The presentations from these are now on the school's new website at www.sjsonline.org.uk along with a wide range of curriculum information. We hope you enjoy the new look to our website at SJS.

Open Classrooms

We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at our Open Classroom events on Wednesday 10th October for Years 3 & 4, and Thursday 11th October for Years 5 & 6 between 3:45pm and 5:15pm. Our formal parents' evenings are held later in the term on Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd November and so this is an important opportunity to meet teachers, who will be available throughout the evening, view your child's work and talk to them about the progress they are making.

Walktober & British Food Fortnight

You should have received details of our 'Walktober' event which, as a gold level travel school, we are encouraging everyone to support. The theme this year is: **walk whatever the weather**.

The school council has helped choose the menu for Hampshire Caterers Best of British Menu and we do have a great selection of meals from next week. Please refer to the menu sent home today.

Staffing Update

I am sure you will join me in offering our love and very best wishes to Mrs Young and her husband who are expecting their first baby in March 2019. We will write to parents of children in Class 3AY after Christmas once cover for Mrs Young's maternity leave has been arranged.

Yours sincerely,

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