

Parent Communication 22/07/2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

So we finally come to the end of another amazing year at SAIL, and it has been such a pleasure to see the development and change in our students over the course of this year.

A few points to bear in mind. Many TAs, teachers & leaders started at SAIL in Sept 2024, after a challenging first year in the current site. Then, we had 68 students on site and a significant number off site across the whole of the county. Since that time, we have expanded to 126 students, across three phases (Primary, Core Secondary, Inspire) and with approximately another 35 to start in September (there are some military moves to confirm). In September we will be slightly over our registration of 150 students in line with all other specialist schools in Wiltshire.

We have had our first Ofsted in early July, and the draft report has been approved and fact checked by SAIL. We are not yet able to share the results of the inspection, until it has been formally released. As soon as it is released, we will send out to all parents / carers and publish on our website.

Most importantly however for all our students is to have a really good summer break. I would of course suggest keep reading books and paying an interest in the news, do some physical activities and spend time with family and/or friends – whatever it is that can make you feel happy and positive.

We will welcome all bar the yr11 leavers back in September (Monday the 7th) to continue their learning journeys and working towards future college, apprenticeships and employment in the wider world outside SAIL.

Daniel Goldstraw

Summer Holiday Safeguarding Update

As we begin the summer holidays, we would like to take this opportunity to share some important safeguarding information and reminders. While the holidays are a wonderful time for children and families to relax, spend time together and enjoy new experiences, they can also bring additional challenges. Changes to routines, increased independence and more time spent online can all create situations where children may need extra support and guidance.

We encourage all parents and carers to maintain open conversations with their children about their wellbeing, friendships, activities and online experiences. Summer can often mean increased use of social media, gaming platforms and online communication. Regular discussions about staying safe online, protecting personal information and speaking to a trusted adult if something makes them feel uncomfortable can help keep children safe.

The holiday period can also affect children's emotional wellbeing. Some young people may experience feelings of loneliness, anxiety or uncertainty when

they are away from the daily structure and support of school. Making time to talk, maintaining healthy routines where possible and encouraging opportunities for physical activity, social interaction and rest can all help to support positive mental health.

If at any point you are worried about the safety or welfare of a child, it is important to seek support. If a child is in immediate danger or requires urgent assistance, please contact the Police or Emergency Services on **999**.

For concerns about a child in Wiltshire during normal working hours, the Wiltshire Integrated Front Door (MASH) can be contacted on **0300 456 0108**. Support and advice are available for anyone who is concerned about the welfare of a child or young person. Out-of-hours safeguarding support is available on **0300 456 0100**.
[\[wiltshire.gov.uk\]](http://wiltshire.gov.uk), [\[wiltshire.gov.uk\]](http://wiltshire.gov.uk), [\[wiltshire.gov.uk\]](http://wiltshire.gov.uk)

Children and young people can also access confidential support from Childline at any time by calling **0800 1111** or visiting **www.childline.org.uk**. Childline is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for any child who needs advice, support or someone to talk to. [\[nspcc.org.uk\]](http://nspcc.org.uk), [\[childline.org.uk\]](http://childline.org.uk)

Parents, carers and professionals who have concerns about a child can seek advice from the NSPCC Helpline by calling **0808 800 5000** or visiting **www.nspcc.org.uk**.
[\[nspcc.org.uk\]](http://nspcc.org.uk), [\[nhs.uk\]](http://nhs.uk)

Further information and support regarding online safety can be found at **www.internetmatters.org** and **www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/**.

Although school is closed during the summer holiday period, safeguarding remains everyone's responsibility. For **non-urgent safeguarding concerns** during the holidays, parents and carers can contact the SAIL Academy safeguarding team via **charlotte.pullinger@sail-academy.org** or **safeguarding@sail-academy.org**. Please note that these email accounts are not monitored continuously and should not be used where a child is at immediate risk of harm.

We would like to thank all our families for their continued support throughout the year and wish you a safe, enjoyable and restful summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new academic year. In such cases, please contact Wiltshire Children's Services, the Police, or Emergency Services directly.

Careers Newsletter

Please take a look at our Careers Newsletter, sent out via Arbor earlier today. It contains photographs and highlights from the careers trips, visits and events our students have enjoyed over the past year, celebrating their achievements and experiences while showcasing the wide range of opportunities available to them.

PTA update

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy period, we wanted to take a moment to thank everyone for your incredible support.

Thanks to your generosity and the hard work of our volunteers, we are delighted to share that the PTA has now raised **£500**. This total has been achieved through the success of our **School Funday, raffle**, and the kind **donations received towards our Year 11 leavers' hoodies**. Thank you to everyone who attended, donated prizes, volunteered their time, or contributed in any way – your support is truly appreciated.

Our next step is to work closely with the school and meet with the **School Pupil Council** to hear directly from the pupils about what they feel would make the biggest difference to their school experience. We believe it is important that the pupils have a voice in how the funds raised by the PTA are used, ensuring that future purchases and projects reflect their needs and ideas wherever possible.

This is just the beginning. We have lots of exciting fundraising events and activities planned throughout the year, and we hope you'll continue to support us. Every event attended, donation received and hour volunteered helps create additional opportunities and experiences for all of our pupils.

On behalf of the entire PTA, thank you for your continued encouragement and support. Together, we are making a real difference to our school community.

Kind regards,

WAVES PTA

Key Dates, events and celebrations

We will be updating these further over the next couple of weeks – so please keep checking.

September

- **First day back for students** – Monday 7th September

Dan Goldstraw

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SAIL Academy