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Parent Communication 10.10.25

Dear Parents/ Carers,

The time seems to be flying by this term with less than two weeks to go until half term (Wednesday 22nd October being the last day of term). However, before we get there, we have our end of term celebration assemblies on Friday 17th October, which we hope you will join us for.

RRS winners this week

Angelfish – Marley

Turtle – Lillith

Starfish – Rocco

Inspire A – Dylan

Inspire B – Adam

Inspire C – Erik

7A – Brett

7B – Oscar

7C – Lucas

8A – Max

8B – Alex

9A – Rosie

9B – Steven

10A – Jayden

10B – Kian

11A – William

Annual Reviews

Annual review meetings have now begun and will continue to take place every Tuesday and Thursday throughout the year.

Please keep an eye out for the email from 'SAIL SEND Team' with the date and time of your child's meeting, along with some paperwork for you to complete prior to the meeting. This email is usually sent 6-8 weeks prior to the meeting to give you as much notice as possible.

It is important that you make every effort to attend the meeting as it is your opportunity to comment on the EHCP and your child's progress. We will try to accommodate scheduling changes when necessary but cannot guarantee that it will be possible.

Education update (curriculum)

End of Term Celebration Assembly – Friday 17th October

We are delighted to invite all parents and carers to our **End of Term Celebration Assembly** on **Friday 17th October 2025**, taking place in the Ocean Theatre.

This special event is a chance for us to come together and recognise the effort and progress of our wonderful students across the term. We are incredibly proud of their learning journeys and look forward to celebrating with you.

Assembly Times:

- **Primary:** 1:10pm – 1:40pm
- **Secondary & Inspire:** 1:50pm – 2:15pm

All parents and carers are warmly welcome to attend. We hope to see you there!

Important Notice: Metal Water Bottles

As part of our ongoing commitment to student safety and wellbeing, we have recently reviewed the use of **metal water bottles** in school. Following incidents where these bottles have caused damage and injury, we have made the decision to **ban metal water bottles for all students**.

We kindly ask that these are replaced with a safe alternative (e.g. plastic or silicone bottles) as soon as possible.

This change will be enforced from Monday 3rd November, when we return after the half-term break. We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe and positive learning environment for all.

Thank you for your understanding.

Careers

Supporting Your Child's Career Journey – 5 Simple Ways to Help at Home

Helping your child explore their future career path doesn't have to be daunting — small conversations and actions can make a big difference. Here are five easy ways to support them at home:

1. **Talk about jobs** – Share your own career journey and ask about their interests and aspirations.
2. **Explore together** – Use tools like *Unifrog* (our new careers platform) to research jobs, apprenticeships, and university courses.
3. **Encourage curiosity** – Watch documentaries, read articles, or attend local career events/college open days to spark ideas.
4. **Highlight transferable skills** – Help them see how school subjects link to real-world careers.
5. **Celebrate progress** – Recognise their achievements and efforts, no matter how small.

We're excited to be using **Unifrog**, a comprehensive online platform that helps students explore career options, build their CVs, and plan their next steps. All students will have access, and staff will be receiving training to support them in embedding careers education across the curriculum.

PTA update

Dates for your diary from the student Pupil Voice group and the Waves PTA – if you are keen to be involved or help in any way please contact wavespta@outlook.com or caroline.morland@sail.academy.org or visit our facebook page SAIL PTA

Wednesday 22nd October – End of term celebration assembly & parent/carers café (please bring cash for cakes and drink donation to PTA fundraising) 1:15-2:30pm
café Primary assembly 1:40-2pm. Secondary assembly 2pm-2:25pm

Friday 14th November – Children in Need Day – we will be doing sponsored 'Challenge 25' tasks led by the Inspire Pupil Voice representatives. More details in Term 2.

Saturday 22nd November – Family photoshoot with professional photographer. A chance to get discounted Christmas/general family portraits. Christmas/Winter costumes will be available and an all day breakfast café. Details to follow in Term 2

Friday 12th December – a Winter Fun Day for the PTA fundraising. More information about our first ever school disco and activities to follow in Term 2.

Last week of term – secret shopping for the pupils to make, buy and wrap presents & cards for home. Supported by PTA volunteers and school staff. More details in Term 2.

Wednesday 17th December – whole school Christmas Dinner/ Winter Feast. Menu being decided on by school kitchen.

Friday 19th December – The BIG winter raffle! End of term celebration assembly & parent/carers café (please bring cash for cakes, sweet sale and drink donation to PTA fundraising) 1:15-2:30pm café. Primary assembly 1:40-2pm. Secondary assembly 2pm-2:25pm

Maths challenge – Challenge 5!

These problems are open to all students, parents and staff. If you think you have solved the problem, jot your solution down on a piece of paper and give it to Mr Crossland at any time. Once a problem is solved, he will issue another.

The fifth great maths challenge is as follows:

If we list all the natural numbers below 10 that are multiples of 3 or 5, we get 3, 5, 6 and 9. The sum of these multiples is 23.

Find the sum of all the multiples of 3 or 5 below 100.

The last challenge had two who submitted the correct solution. Well done Kian and Danie!

Celebrating Progress Together

We are very much looking forward to sharing your child's progress with you over the coming term and warmly inviting you into school to celebrate their achievements.

Please make a note of the following key dates:

- **Friday 17th October** – End of term celebration assembly.
- **Friday 28th November** – Student reports will be sent home to parents and carers. These provide an overview of your child's progress, achievements, and next steps.
- **Thursday 4th December – Parents' Evening:** An opportunity to meet with teachers, discuss your child's learning journey, and ask any questions you may have.

We are keen to continue building strong partnerships with our families and truly value your involvement in your child's education. We look forward to seeing many of you in school soon!

Key Dates, events and celebrations

October 2025

- **Diwali:** Monday 20th October, 2025
- **Friday 17th October** – End of term celebration assembly.
- Wednesday 22nd October – **Last day of term 1**

November 2025

- Monday 3rd November – **First day of term 2**
- **Wednesday 5th** – Army Careers presentation
- **Pastoral Coffee Morning:** Monday 10th November 9:30 – 10:30am
- **Remembrance Day:** Tuesday November 11, 2025.
- **Armistice Day:** Tuesday November 11, 2025.
- **Anti-Bullying Week:** November 10th – 14th 2025
- **Reports sent home** Friday 28th November

December 2025

- **Parents evening:** Thursday 4th December

Friday 19th December – **Last day of term**

January 2026

- Monday 5th January – **INSET Day**
- Tuesday 6th January – **INSET Day**
- Wednesday 7th January – **First day of term 3**
- **Pastoral Coffee Morning:** Monday 12th January 9:30 – 10:30am
- **Chinese New Year:** Thursday January 29, 2026.

February 2026

- **Children's Mental Health Week:** First week of February (Dates TBC).
- Friday 13th February – **Last day of term 3**
- Monday 23rd February – **INSET Day**
- Tuesday 24th February – **INSET Day**
- Wednesday 25th February – **First day of term 4**

March 2026

- **Pastoral Coffee Morning:** Monday 2nd March 9:30 – 10:30am
- **World Wildlife Day:** Tuesday March 3, 2026.
- **British Science Week:** March 6 - 15, 2026.
- Friday 27th March – **Last day of term 4**
- **Holi:** Tuesday March 31, 2026.

April 2026

- Monday 13th April – **First day of term 5**
- **Pastoral Coffee Morning:** Monday 20th April 9:30 – 10:30am
- **Earth Day:** Wednesday April 22, 2026.

May 2026

- Monday 4th May – **Bank Holiday**
- **VE Day:** Friday May 8, 2026.
- Friday 22nd May – **Last day of term 5**

June 2026

- Monday 1st June – **First Day of term 6**
- **Pastoral Coffee Morning:** Monday 8th June 9:30 – 10:30am
- **World Environment Day:** Friday June 5, 2026.
- **Summer Solstice:** Sunday June 21, 2026.

- **D Day:** Saturday June 6, 2026.
- **National Sports Week:** The exact week can vary; usually organised towards the end of June or beginning of July.

July 2026

- Friday 10th July – **INSET Day**
- Wednesday 22nd July – **Last Day of term**

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