

Parent Communication 05/06/2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

A good week back for students after the glorious weather of the week before. It does look as though the Duke of Edinburgh students are going to experience some adverse weather during their expedition, but there is no better way to build some resilience and tolerance.

Next week there is another residential for a group of students and, actually, it has been gratifying to see tired students return, but deal with that tiredness and be able to move forward. We've also seen a trip to London for a group of older students to see the Houses of Parliament (and Sea life Centre).

Well done on a good return to school for the final ½ term before the summer holiday.

Save the date - Parents/Carers Evening

We are pleased to invite you to our upcoming Parents/Carers Evening at SAIL Academy, taking place on Thursday 9th July. This will be a valuable opportunity to meet with teachers and tutors to celebrate your child's achievements, discuss their progress over the year, and look ahead to the next academic year. Further details, including how to sign up for appointments, will be shared closer to the time. We very much look forward to welcoming you and working together to support your child's continued success.

Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices

We have noticed an increase in the number of pupils bringing mobile phones into school and not placing them in their Yondr pouches as expected.

This is causing unnecessary distractions during the school day and, more importantly, can impact on the safe and focused learning environment we strive to maintain for all pupils.

If your child brings a mobile phone into school, please speak with them about the importance of following our expectations:

- Phones must be switched off
- Phones must be placed securely in their Yondr pouch on arrival
- Phones should not be seen or used during the school day

These procedures are in place to support pupils' concentration, wellbeing, and online safety.

We appreciate your support in reinforcing these expectations at home so that we can work together to maintain a calm, safe, and purposeful environment for all students.

Thank you for your continued support.

Year 11 Food practical examination

Year 11 students demonstrated outstanding skill and creativity in their Unit 4 Food practical exam, completed on Monday 1st June. Working within a two-hour time limit, students successfully planned, prepared, cooked and served at least two dishes suitable for a party for children aged 5–6. The task required careful consideration of nutrition, presentation and a range of preparation and cooking techniques, all of which were met to a very high standard. The final outcomes were excellent, showcasing both technical ability and thoughtful menu planning. Well done to all students for their hard work and impressive achievements.



Curriculum Overview – This term at SAIL Academy

This week, we are sharing our curriculum overview for the term—please keep an eye out for it arriving via email.

The overview is also available on our school website alongside further curriculum information. We encourage you to take a few moments to look through it, as it outlines what your child will be learning this term at SAIL Academy.

We hope this supports you in talking about and celebrating your child's learning at home.

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

SEND Information- Dyslexia Workshop

This is an in-event for parents and carers to find out more about dyslexia and the support available in Wiltshire

Tuesday 16 June 2026

5 – 6:30pm

County Hall, Trowbridge

Places are free and can be booked by emailing Alison Szalay on the following address dfs@wiltshire.gov.uk

More information is available on the SSENS RightChoice page

<https://rightchoice.wiltshire.gov.uk/Event/276724>

Sun safety

Please make sure your child has a plain/school baseball cap, water bottle and apply sunscreen before school next term.

Parliament Trip

Core secondary students recently enjoyed a memorable school trip to the UK Parliament—marking the very first time the school has visited this iconic institution. The students were fortunate to take part in an engaging tour of the Houses of Parliament, where they explored the rich history of the building and experienced first-hand the two chambers: the House of Commons and the House of Lords. The visit began with an informative introduction outlining the origins of Parliament, how it was formed, and its often complex and, at times, challenging relationship with the monarch over the centuries. This was followed by a guided tour through the impressive buildings and historic rooms, bringing their learning vividly to life. Throughout the trip, the students behaved exemplarily, representing the school tremendously well; they should be incredibly proud of themselves—particularly as, for some, it was their very first trip to London.



SAIL Merit Reward Shop

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to those of you who have already kindly donated items for our Merit Shop. With a special mention to Carla, Julie, Allistar and Claire who have donated a considerable amount.

Your generosity is truly appreciated and helps us to continue rewarding our pupils for their hard work, positive behaviour, and achievements. The PTA money from the Easter raffle was spent on the Merit Shop + the new pool table cover, balls and cues for our Friday reward time.

The Merit Shop is a much-loved part of our school community, and it plays an important role in motivating and celebrating our children. We are always grateful for any donations that can help keep it well stocked.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. It is hugely valued by both staff and pupils.

RRS winners this week

Angelfish – Donae

Turtle - Tyler

Starfish – Ted

Seahorse – Marley

Inspire A – Jack

Inspire B – Lewis

Inspire C – Ami

7A – Chris

7B – Logan

7C – Bella

8A – Eve

8B – Alex

8C – Edoardo

9A – Riley

9B – James

10A – Harry

10B – Jesse

11A – Lucas

Key Dates, events and celebrations

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

Term 6

June 2026

- **Saturday 6th June:** D Day
- **Monday 8th June 9:30 – 10:30am:** Pastoral Coffee Morning
- **Sunday 21st June:** Summer Solstice
- **Thursday 25th June –** Garage workplace visit
- **w/c 15th June 2026:** National Sports Week

July 2026

- **Friday 3rd July – Y11 last day.** Assembly at end of day, more details to follow.
- **Thursday July 9th – Five Rivers Sports Centre workplace visit**
- **Thursday 9th July- Parents Evening**
- **Friday 10th July – INSET Day**
- **Wednesday 22nd July – Last Day of term**

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