



Salisbury Academy for Inspirational Learning

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## Parent Communication 17/4/2026

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thank you to everyone for the patience and support for the start of the summer term.

This is the first formal communication from myself as headteacher and many of you (we have had a few new students starting this week from the 13<sup>th</sup> April) will be aware that prior to taking on the role of headteacher, I was the Deputy Head and SENCO at SAIL (I am still the SENCO). I would like to take this opportunity to reassure that there are no major changes with regards what we do at SAIL. We are a relational school, a specialist school and offer a broad and balanced curriculum for many of our students that fulfils the needs of our students and (we trust) also offers the best possible futures for our students. This is no change from SAIL under the leadership of Matt.

### Staff changes

There have been a few staff changes for the beginning of this term, with two of our TAs agreeing to step up to fulfil roles which now include teaching and delivering lessons (well done to Izaak and Elin).

John has moved permanently to a secondary teaching role (KS3, humanities and music) and Caroline has moved to replace John (and with the support of the TAs already in place in that class) as a teacher and in addition to her whole school responsibilities as Assistant Head.

### School Photos - reminder

We emailed earlier this week to say that we have booked in Jessica from Red Rabbit Photography to come and take your child's school photo on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Should you **not** wish for your child's picture to be taken then please email [reception@sail-academy.org](mailto:reception@sail-academy.org). Thank you.

### Curriculum update

This week, you will be receiving a summary of your child's year group curriculum coverage for this term. This information will also be available on the school website. If you would like further detail about curriculum coverage, including our long-term plans, these can be found on the school website, or you are very welcome to contact me directly. We hope this overview helps you to understand what your child

will be learning and how their education is planned and sequenced.

**Zanna Roberts, Deputy Headteacher for Quality of Education**

## Careers / Exams update

### Wiltshire College Open Days April & May 2026

Please see below dates and times for upcoming Wiltshire College Open Days

April/May		
Tues 21 April	5pm-7pm	Trowbridge
Thurs 23 April	5pm-7pm	Lackham
Tues 28 April	5pm-7pm	Chippenham
Thurs 30 April	5pm-7pm	Salisbury

Scan the QR  
code to sign up  
or register at  
[wiltshire.ac.uk](http://wiltshire.ac.uk)



### British Army Webinar

Please see below from the British Army regarding supporting your child through the application process if this is something they are interested in.

### Tuesday 28 April | 18:00 – 19:00 | Online

We're hosting a free online session for parents and guardians to provide clear, trustworthy guidance on how they can support their young person if they're considering the British Army.

#### Why does this session matter?

Recent research with over 600 parents and guardians showed that only 27% felt fully confident supporting their young person through the Army application process. This session is designed to help change that by bringing reliable information together in one place.

During the session, parents and guardians will:

- Get a simple overview of the journey into the Army
- Hear from other parents
- Learn about the support available, including:

- Brand new parent-focused resources
- Opportunities to sign up to our monthly newsletter
- A new webpage designed specifically for parents and guardians

If parents or guardians want to feel more informed and confident about the options available, we'd love them to join us. Teachers are also welcome to attend to support their understanding and conversations with families.

 **Register for the event:** <https://britishar.my/AParentsPerspectiveEvent>

**Best wishes,  
British Army Supporting Education**

### **Toothbrushes & toothpaste**

We currently have a large supply of spare children's toothbrushes and toothpaste available at school. If you would like some for your child, please get in touch with reception.

### **RRS winners this week**

Angelfish – Nova

Turtle – Tyler

Starfish – Shayne

Seahorse – Harry

Inspire A – Jack

Inspire B – James

Inspire C – Fred

7A – Chris

7B – Jack

7C – Oscar

8A – Mary-Lou

8B – Alex

8C - Eve

9A – Olly

9B – Eljo

10A – Jess

10B – Belle

11A – Kaden

### Key Dates, events and celebrations

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

### Term 5 and 6

April 2026

- **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 9:30 – 10:30am** Pastoral Coffee Morning
- **Wednesday April 22, 2026:** Earth Day

May 2026

- **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday**
- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May:** VE Day
- **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Last day of term 5**

June 2026

- **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – First Day of term 6**
- **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 9:30 – 10:30am:** Pastoral Coffee Morning
- **Friday June 5, 2026:** World Environment Day
- **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June: D Day**
- **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June: Summer Solstice**
- **w/c 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026:** National Sports Week

July 2026

- **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July – INSET Day**
- **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Last Day of term**

Dan Goldstraw

Headteacher (Interim)

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