

Parent Communication 01/05/2026

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thanks again to everyone for another great week at SAIL. Students continue to do amazing things on the WOLT trips Tuesday to Friday – great to see our students out in the community, sometimes getting to do things (e.g. long walks) they may not normally have done. This also applies to some of our staff!

Hopefully everyone can have a really restful long weekend and enjoy the bank holiday Monday even if there are a few showers floating around.

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 6th May 2026. Should you **not** wish for your child's picture to be taken then please email reception@sail-academy.org. Thank you.

Careers

As part of the school's careers education programme, students in Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 recently visited Longleat Safari Park, where they had the opportunity to speak directly with professional zookeepers. During the visit, pupils learned about the different pathways into working at Longleat, including education routes, training, and the personal qualities needed for roles within animal care. Hearing first-hand experiences allowed students to gain a realistic and engaging insight into careers within the animal and conservation sector.

Students also developed their understanding of the varied and demanding role of a zoo keeper, learning how keepers care for a wide range of animals on a daily basis. This included hearing about animal welfare, enrichment, feeding routines and the responsibility involved in maintaining high standards of care. The visit supported students in linking interests to possible career pathways, helped raise aspirations, and encouraged reflection on future education and employment choices as part of their ongoing career development.



Safeguarding

We would like to make parents and carers aware that the school has recently seen an increase in the use of racial language. As a school, we are very conscious of the need to address this through education and open discussion, promoting the positive value of cultural diversity, respect and tolerance of different cultures and faiths. As a result, all PSHE lessons next week will focus on racism, including what racism is, the impact that racist language and behaviour can have on individuals and communities, the importance of equality and respect, and how students can challenge prejudice and be positive bystanders. We are committed to ensuring that our school is an inclusive and welcoming place for all races and cultures. We kindly ask that you also speak with your child about the importance of welcoming cultural diversity and that racism, in any form, is not accepted within our school community.

SUN SAFETY – please send your child with water, a sun hat and ensure that sun cream is applied before school if you know that they struggle in the sun. ALL PRIMARY pupils should have a sun hat to be kept in school please.

WAVES PTA and Pupil Voice – working together for the benefit of all pupils

Thank you so much to all the wonderful PTA volunteers who gave up time to manage the Easter Raffle. Thank you to all our community who purchased tickets. Having raised £280 we have now worked with the Pupil Voice – School Council – to restock the Merit Shop and purchase new Pool cues/balls and felt to refurbish the pool table.

We have no fundraising events planned until the Father's/Carer's Day event and the Summer Fun Day. We are supporting our Y11 and Y6 leavers events.

RRS winners this week

Angelfish – Joud

Turtle – Theo

Starfish – Mikey

Seahorse – Ellis

Inspire A – Alyssa

Inspire B – Ricky

Inspire C – Katlin

7A – Riley

7B – Stephen

7C – Isla - Aurora

8A – Riley Jay

8B – Alivia

8C – Alex

9A – Rosie

9B – Steven

10A – Charlotte

10B – Dylan

11A – Hunter

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

May 2026

- **Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday**
- **Wednesday 6th May** – School Photographs
- **Friday 8th May:** VE Day
- **Thursday 14th May** – Salisbury Racecourse workplace visit
- **Friday 22nd May – Last day of term 5**

June 2026

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

July 2026

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

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