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Parent Communication 27.3.26

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thank you for another fantastic term at SAIL Academy! It was great to see so many of you at our end of term assemblies and cafe, celebrating your children's fantastic achievements over the last term.

As this is sadly my last parent communication before I leave, I wanted to thank you for your support and take the opportunity to say what a privilege it has been working at the school with your fantastic young people, over the last two years. It has been great to see the school grow and develop and I have no doubt that there is a very positive future ahead for SAIL and all the young people we serve.

Staff leavers

As with the end of most terms we have a number of staff who are leaving and some who are joining / taking on new roles at the school. This term, staff who are leaving the school are:

Christine Human (Inspire – Dolphin teacher). Christine has been a brilliant teacher during our time with us and we will all miss her. We wish Christine every success as she moves over to Exeter House as a teacher. Paul Curtis will be taking over the teaching of her class in the Summer Term, with Elin, taking on full class teacher responsibilities in Inspire – Whale.

Russell Kerley (Assistant Site Manager). Russell has done a huge amount for the school during his time with us but he is not leaving entirely and will still be working with us every so often, so you will still see him around, just not as much as usual!

We will update on new joiners at the beginning of the new term.

Safeguarding Update

As we head into the Easter break, we want to take a moment to highlight the importance of keeping children safe, supported, and well-rested during the holiday period. Breaks from school are a wonderful opportunity for families to slow down, reconnect, and enjoy time together, and a few simple routines can make a big difference to children's wellbeing.

Safety First

Whether your child is spending time outdoors, visiting friends, or enjoying online activities, please continue to remind them about staying safe.

- Talk together about safe choices when out and about.
- Keep an eye on online activity and encourage responsible screen use.
- Make sure children know who they can contact if they feel worried or unsure.

The Power of Routine

While holidays naturally bring a more relaxed pace, maintaining a gentle routine helps children feel secure and balanced.

- Regular mealtimes, consistent expectations, and predictable daily rhythms support emotional wellbeing.
- A simple structure to the day can help children transition smoothly back to school after the break.

Prioritising Sleep

Good sleep is essential for children's mood, concentration, and overall health.

- Try to keep bedtime and wake-up times within a reasonable range of their usual routine.
- Encourage calming activities in the evening to help them wind down.

Healthy Eating

With Easter treats around, it's easy for sugar to take centre stage. Enjoying chocolate in moderation is part of the fun, but balancing it with nutritious meals and snacks helps children stay energised and focused.

Quality Time Together

The most valuable part of any school break is the chance to connect.

- Spend time talking, playing, reading, or simply being together.
- Shared moments—big or small—help strengthen relationships and support children's emotional development.

If You Need Support Over the Easter Break

Here are some **useful Wiltshire contacts** for families who may need advice or support:

Safeguarding & Immediate Concerns

- **Integrated Front Door (MASH)** – for concerns about a child **0300 456 0108** (Mon–Thu 8:45–17:00, Fri 8:45–16:00)
- **Out-of-hours service: 0300 456 0100**
- **If a child is in immediate danger, call 999.**

Early Support & Family Help

- **Early Support Hub (via Integrated Front Door): 0300 456 0108** – for early help, advice, and guidance for families.

Wiltshire Children's Community Health Services

- **Single Point of Access (SPA): 0300 247 0090** (Mon–Fri 9:00–17:00) Email: vcl.wiltshirespa@nhs.net For support with health visiting, school nursing, emotional wellbeing, and referrals.

Family Hub Wiltshire (Parenting Support & Groups)

- Parenting advice, early years support, SEND support, and family relationship guidance. Website available via Wiltshire Council's Family Hub pages.

Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership (SVPP)

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If you'd like, I can also create a **short newsletter version**, a **poster-style version**, or a **version tailored for a specific age group**.

add any non urgent requests can be sent to safeguarding@sail-academy.org

Absolutely — here is your updated Easter break parent communication, now including the line about non-urgent safeguarding queries. I've woven it in naturally so it feels supportive and clear.

Easter Break Parent Communication

Keeping Children Safe, Healthy, and Connected Over the Holiday

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Non-Urgent School Safeguarding Queries

If you have a **non-urgent safeguarding concern** relating to your child or another pupil, you can email the school's safeguarding team at: safeguarding@sail-academy.org

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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.

Meningitis cases - reminder

We are aware of a recent rise in national meningitis cases and want to ensure we are doing everything possible to keep our school community healthy. Please remind your children to be extra vigilant with their personal hygiene. This includes:

Washing hands regularly with soap and water

Using tissues for coughs and sneezes ("catch it, bin it, kill it")

Avoiding sharing drinks, bottles, or utensils

Keeping hands away from their mouth, nose, and eyes

As a school, we are taking additional steps to maintain a safe environment by thoroughly sanitising classrooms, communal areas, and high-touch surfaces throughout the day.

If your child is feeling unwell or showing any symptoms of concern, please keep them at home and seek medical advice promptly.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep our school community safe and healthy.

End-of-Term Reports

We hope you all had a chance to celebrate your child's progress this week. Yesterday, end of term reports were sent home, sharing each pupil's achievements, personal growth, and the wonderful steps they have made across the term. We are incredibly proud of the effort, resilience and enthusiasm shown by all our learners—there is so much to celebrate!

If you have *not* received your child's report, please contact the school office so we can ensure a copy reaches you promptly.

Should you have any questions about the report, or if you would like any further information, please feel free to get in touch with either your child's class tutor or myself – Zanna Roberts. We are always happy to discuss your child's progress and next steps.

Thank you for your continued support—our school community is strongest when we work together, and these reports are a wonderful reminder of everything our pupils can achieve.

My Clothing discount

My Clothing are offering a 15% discount on uniform from 23rd – 29th March

Please use the code SPRING15 at the checkout.

Supporting Your Young Person: Exploring a Career in the British Army

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**

Free School Meals in Holidays

There has been a formal communication from Wiltshire Council to all parents stating that the support from government for free school meals in holidays is ending on the 31st March 2026. The letter from Wiltshire was sent to parents / carers yesterday from the school office. There was a link to the support available from Wiltshire through the Crisis and Resilience Fund which starts on the 1st April 2026.

Wiltshire does also have an additional program which offers free activities and meals for children:

Holiday Activity and Food (FUEL) programme

Children who are eligible for Free School Meals are also eligible to attend our Holiday Activity and Food programme called Food, Unity, Energy and Laughter (FUEL) during school holidays which offers free activities and meals. Easter holiday booking requests were open until **15 March 2026**, via this link

<https://apps.wiltshire.gov.uk/fuelprogramme>

For more information about FUEL please visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure/fuel-programme or speak to your child's educational setting. As the deadline is now passed for this programme, if you are interested it may be worth phoning the individual settings where the program takes place using the blue hyperlink directly above to see if a cancelled place is available.

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 – Donae

Turtle – Oliver

Starfish – Shayne

Seahorse – Caleb

Inspire A – Alyssa

Inspire B – Lewis

Inspire C – Erik

7A – Angelo

7B – Ozzy

7C – Alfie

8A – Max

8B – Mark

9A – Arthur

9B – James

10A – Harry

10B – Dylan

11A – William

Key Dates, events and celebrations

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

Term 4

March 2026

- **Thursday 26th March – End of Term reports sent home**

- **Friday 27th March** – End of Term Celebration Assembly 1:20pm KS1/2, 1:40/45pm KS3/4
- **Friday 27th March** – Last day of term 4
- **Tuesday 31st March:** Holi

Term 5 and 6

April 2026

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

May 2026

- **Monday 4th May** – Bank Holiday
- **Friday 8th May:** VE Day
- **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 June 5, 2026:** 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

Matt Sambrook

Executive Headteacher

SAIL Academy