



Salisbury Academy for Inspirational Learning

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Parent Communication 24/4/2026

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thankfully we have had a few days of nice weather. As ever when we head into the summer term, we will be reminding students to stay hydrated and, when we get there, have either sun cream / hats / long sleeves as necessary to prevent skin damage from the UV rays in the sun.

There are some upcoming trips and even some residential overnights for specific groups this term. Letters and emails have been sent to those specific parents and carers who need to know.

Occasionally, within our specialist setting, students may arrive with very significant needs related to their diagnosis, long-established behaviours, or complex circumstances outside of school. In these situations, it may be necessary for **individualised expectations or adjustments** to be applied while relational practice develops, and the **PACE-based approach of SAIL** is embedded and effective relationships are established.

This approach can be particularly challenging for some of our students with an **ASC profile**, who may struggle to understand perceived inconsistencies, often questioning "*why is that student allowed to break the rules?*". These moments are used as learning opportunities to support understanding, empathy, and flexible thinking.

As a school with a **dual intake of ASC and SEMH**, we have a duty to educate the *whole child*—academically, socially, and emotionally. Over time, with consistent modelling, explicit teaching, and supported reflection, students become increasingly able to accept and understand the differing needs and experiences of their peers.

This gradual development of **resilience, tolerance, and emotional literacy** takes time but is essential. It plays a vital role in preparing all students for transitions beyond school, including progression into post-16 education, training, or apprenticeship pathways, where flexibility, empathy, and self-regulation are critical life skills.

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 / 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



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**

RRS winners this week

Angelfish – Donae

Turtle – Zayan

Starfish – Ted

Seahorse – Caleb

Inspire A – Ashliegh

Inspire B – Jack

Inspire C – Mabel

7A – Angelo

7B – Logan

7C – Sophia

8A – Max

8B – Mark

8C – Tyler

9A – Rosie

9B – Hiero

10A – Harry

10B – Luke

11A – Lucas

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**
- **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**

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