

**Salisbury Primary Newsletter**  
**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020**

**Staffing Update**

As you will have seen from last week's letter, it is with great sadness that we must announce that Mrs Begum (our Parent Support Advisor) has resigned from her position at Salisbury. She has been a member of the Salisbury family for 18 years and will be greatly missed. If you would like to make a contribution to our leaving gift for Mrs Begum, please send it to the school office by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February.

In happier news, we extend a huge Salisbury welcome to Mr Berry, who is our new Learning Mentor. Mr Berry joined us at the start of January and you may have seen him on the school gate in the mornings and afternoons. We welcome him to his new role and look forward to him being a member of our family for the future!

**Internet Safety workshops for parents**

On the afternoon of Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January and the morning of Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, we invited Nicola Rudge (E-Safety Advisor at Walsall Council) in to school to talk to children and parents. Nicola visited each classroom in Year 1 to 6 to talk about the importance of staying safe online, what to do if children feel worried online, and share tips on how to ensure they remain safe online at all times. On each of those days, Nicola also ran parent workshops to share similar information with parents, carers and family members. We would like to thank everyone who came to those workshops: E-Safety is a very important issue and one that we take very seriously at Salisbury in order to keep your children safe. Please ensure you speak to your children about what to do if they have any concerns about being online!

**Basketball & Dodgeball Competitions**

Our school has recently taken part in 2 sports competitions. These were organised by Mr Sumner and he accompanied the teams to the tournaments on both occasions, where the children were excellent ambassadors for our school!

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January, we took part in a Basketball competition at Willenhall E-Act Academy. The team was made up of Year 5 & 6 children, and they did a fantastic job of representing the school. They competed well and it was lovely to see such fantastic sportsmanship from our children, who shook the hands of every opposition member in every single game. Well done children!

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, we returned to Willenhall E-Act Academy for a Dodgeball tournament, with Mr Sumner and Mrs Baker. The children represented our school excellently and were overall winners, maintaining an unbeaten record over the six games played. To add to the excitement, the team will now be representing Walsall in the next stage of the tournament which is to be held at Sheffield Ormiston Academy later this month; we will keep you updated on the results.

A huge thank you to Mr Sumner for organising these competitions and giving the children these wonderful experiences!

**Make your own pizza day**

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January, we ran another 'make your own pizza day' for the children in school. As always, this was a very successful day and the children loved creating their own pizza toppings for an extra special lunch time! We would like to thank the kitchen staff and our wonderful Year 5 & 6 Ambassadors for making sure everything ran smoothly and that everybody received the correct pizza – no mean feat when over 200 pizzas are being served!

## EYFS 100 Stories

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February, we will be hosting the launch of our '1000 Stories Shared at Home' project. The purpose of this project is for children to be exposed to a range of different stories at home, and will provide you with tips and resources to support sharing these stories at home to enable you to have conversations with your children about them. There will be 2 workshops on this day: one at 9:00am and another at 3:15pm. We look forward to welcoming as many Nursery and Reception parents/carers as possible!

## Stars of the Week!

Well done to all of our Star of the Week winners – your teachers appreciate all of your hard work!

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2020



Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020



We look forward to handing out more awards in our future assemblies to the hardworking children of Salisbury.

*(The photo shows our certificate winners if parents have given permission for their children's photos to be used. If you would like to see your child appear in future newsletters, please ask Mrs Sneary for a photographic consent form from the school office.)*

## Dates for your diary...

Here are the key dates for the rest of the term at Salisbury:

- 5<sup>th</sup> February** – 3/4LC Assembly
- 6<sup>th</sup> February** – Chinese New Year celebrations
- 7<sup>th</sup> February** – Sports Enrichment day (Year 3 – 6)
- 11<sup>th</sup> February** – Parent Workshop (9am – 11am)
- 12<sup>th</sup> February** – 3/4CB Assembly
- 14<sup>th</sup> February** – Valentine's Day dinner
- 14<sup>th</sup> February** – Valentine's Day disco
- 14<sup>th</sup> February** – Break up for half term
- 24<sup>th</sup> February** – Return to school
- 26<sup>th</sup> February** – 3/4NP Assembly
- 4<sup>th</sup> March** – 1/2MW Assembly
- 11<sup>th</sup> March** – 1/2KM Assembly
- 18<sup>th</sup> March** – 1/2AL Assembly
- 1<sup>st</sup> April** – EYFS Easter Assembly

We will keep you informed of any other key dates that are planned throughout the rest of the term. Please keep a lookout for year group newsletters, letters home, and the school website, Facebook and Twitter for any other news!