

Dear Families,

As we approach the end of another great term we wanted to say thank you for all your support. This was especially evident this week when the newly formed Friends of Salmestone hosted their first event which was a very successful Easter raffle. They are a new group and are looking for families to join them so please come and speak to the office if you are able to join the team and get involved.

We are very sadly saying goodbye to some of our team this Easter. Mrs Powles will be leaving us at Easter and we thank her and wish her all the best. She has really loved working with the children at Salmestone but personal circumstances have meant that she needs to spend more time with her family. We will also be losing our music teacher Graham and his team. He is taking up another post and moving on to pastures new. I want to reassure families though that we are looking at replacements so that we can continue on with the music lessons for children. We aren't able to guarantee the exact same lessons but will do our very best to find a company that can provide us with as much fantastic teaching as Graham and his team were able to offer us.

Recently, I have had a number of families approach me about the parking situation outside of the school. The zig zags directly outside the school gate are of vital importance for emergency vehicles such as ambulances and the fire brigade so please make sure that these are left free when dropping children off. We also need to make sure that families with prams and children can get through along the pavement so please do not park on the pavement as it blocks the way and makes it dangerous for our pupils and families to get round.

Following on from our recent governors meeting, our Chair of Governors, Mr Cygan, wanted to pass on the following message. "Salmestone has been doing very well this year and been making steady progress, building on last year's successful results. For next year's intake, the school has received a high number of first choice preferences for the 30 places available. The Governing Body is extremely confident that all 30 places will be filled by September when the new academic year commences. More good news relates to the destination of the present year six pupils who will be leaving in July, with more pupils being awarded places at selective schools. The Governing Body would like to thank all the staff for their hard work and commitment."

We're really looking forward to the Summer Term now and hope you have a great holiday. A reminder that we have a Holiday and Food programme sessions running at our partner school Drapers this Easter. You can sign up here: <https://www.inclusivesport.net/downloads/holiday-camps/Easter-Holiday-Camps.pdf>

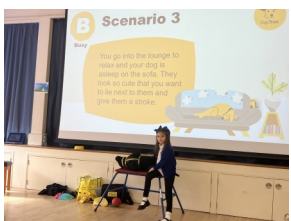
Best wishes
Mr T Platten

Author Visit & Dog Trust

This term we had Author Zoe Antoniades visit to deliver workshops to the children which they all really enjoyed. Zoe was amazed at how many of you purchased her books after school and hopes the children enjoy reading them at home!



We also had Dog's Trust come and visit the children to teach them about caring for dogs and keeping themselves safe in public.



Thank you to the Friends of Salmestone for organising such a successful Easter cake sale. Pleased to share that they raised £142.41! Thank you for your support!



Comic Relief

The children enjoyed wearing their PJ's to school for Comic Relief.

We raised an amazing £115 for such a great cause!



Attendance and Lateness for Term 4

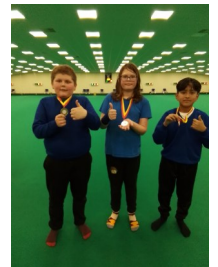


Class	Attendance %	Late Arrivals
Nursery	90%	1
Reception– Highlands	92.36%	4
Year 1– Pyrenees	92.47%	7
Year 2– Atlas	91.79%	3
Year 3– Rockies	89.15%	4
Year 4– Alps	94.65%	4
Year 5– Andes	92.29%	4
Year 6– Himalayas	86.6%	6
Total for Term 3	91.29%	31

If you haven't already please take 5 minutes to complete this short survey regarding attendance: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1WPeZKojNIXMobOlywQowViuqYLAVFH-CXccpoF4d4u8/edit>

Sporting Events

Year 5 and 6 took part in the netball festival at St Georges school and the bowls event at Thanet Bowls Club. The children showed excellent determination and sportsmanship> Well done!



Diary Dates

April 2024

15th– First day back of term

May 2024

1st– School Nurse hearing & Vision visit

13th-17th– Year 6 SAT's

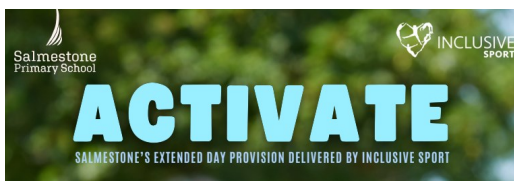
24th– Last day of term

June 2024

3rd– Staff development day

4th– First day back of term

Wrap around care now available!



Monday–Thursday

3-5pm

£5

BOOK ONLINE: <https://www.inclusivesport.net/book-online>



Please see the link for a letter regarding updated school dinner prices:

<https://bit.ly/co/POlo>