



# St Saviour's School

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## Upcoming Events

### 10<sup>th</sup> Feb

Non-uniform Day; wear what you like

### 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> Feb

Half Term week

### 2<sup>nd</sup> March

World Book Day – pyjamas or onesies

### 9<sup>th</sup> March

Careers and Aspirations Day – more info to follow

### 17<sup>th</sup> March

Red Nose Day – fundraising

### 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Class and team photos by school photographer

### 29<sup>th</sup> March

Annual reports sent home

### 30<sup>th</sup> March

Last day of term; non-uniform

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our latest newsletter, we are finishing for the half term at the end of tomorrow (Friday 10<sup>th</sup>), we wish your children a restful break and hope you get the opportunity to have some time together during the week. Because it's the last day of this half term we will be having a dress down day we continue to raise funds for Durrell as part of the Tortoise Takeover that we are taking part in this summer, please send in your donations. We have been enjoying the improving weather and the pupils have been making the most of the new lunchtime arrangements, having great fun outside.

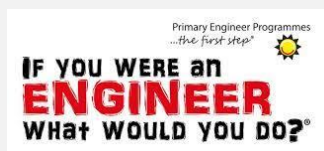
### Roads and parking meeting with Parish officials, including the Constable:

Mr Sheldon and I recently met with the Constable and a Parish official to discuss concerns with parking at the school. This was in particular reference to drop off and pick up times. We are all aware of just how stressful these times can be for families. The Constable took on board our concerns and was already aware of increased long term parking on Bagatelle Rd outside the school. The team from the Parish Hall have gone away to work on some ideas and suggestions and we hope to hear back from them in the not too distant future. We raised concerns about the lack of Disabled parking and this is also something they are looking into to support safe and appropriate access to our school.

### Primary Engineer project KS2:

For the second year running, pupils from Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 had a fantastic session with Dave from Skills Jersey. Dave explained in more detail about the Primary Engineer Project and previous winning designs and even a winning prototype scooter designed by a local student. All pupils watched a video from a local female engineer explaining their career and how they became an engineer. All pupils have been invited to submit entries into this year's competition.

Feedback from Dave included [the pupils] 'were great listeners, very impressively behaved and a credit to the school'.



In line with our open door policy please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries. Please either ring or email to let me know you would like me to get in touch with you. We welcome any and all feedback so that we can improve on any aspects to make things even better for all of the pupils at our school. There may be times when we cannot change things in line with your suggestions but we will be able to explain the reasons behind this to you. Yours most sincerely, Mrs Williams

## OPAL – Outdoor Play and Learning

We are really delighted with the development of our lunchtime play in conjunction with OPAL. There are a number of staff members who are involved in supporting this development but Mrs Cordiner (Play team co-ordinator) and Mrs Burnham (Play team leader) both have key roles in driving this forward in our school. Mr Sheldon has been busy constructing and preparing areas and resources for use by the children.

You may have heard your child talking about the types of activities and opportunities they have available to them, but just in case you aren't aware, this is what is currently available:

- Large construction blocks and Constructa den resources
- Lego, Sylvanian Families and other small world play resources
- Mindful colouring
- Play house based on a theme (café, post office, construction firm office etc)
- Suitcases, trunkies and wheeled toys
- Basketball nets and balls
- The adventure trail
- Musical instruments
- A stage
- Cardboard boxes - a range to construct with, hide in, play with etc
- Newly painted tarmac games i.e. What's the time Mr Wolf?, hopscotch
- Den making materials

Next half term we will be introducing more opportunities which include a newly build sand pit and mud kitchens.

The pupils are showing real joy and happiness at lunchtimes and the incidences of any poor behaviour as well as first aid treatment have significantly reduced.

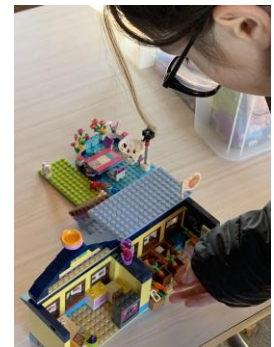
Thank you for your understanding with your child's uniform – we are trying to provide as much access to the field as possible which occasionally leads to some muddiness! Once the sand pit is also accessible, we anticipate some occasions where pupils may get sandy socks and shoes.

Ask your child what their favourite part of lunchtime is and I'm sure they will tell you lots about it.

If they, or you, have any suggestions for further activities/opportunities, please do let us know.



Pupils creating their own constructions and enjoying wheeled toys



Enjoying Lego and other small world play



Enjoying role-play and large loose parts play