

# St Saviour's School Newsletter

November 2025

**Welcome to our latest newsletter with a focus on what classes have been doing and learning recently, UN Rights Respecting Schools and key dates for the rest of the term.**

## News from around our school:

**Nursery:** Nursery have been enjoying the story of 'The Gruffalo'. We built a deep, dark wood for the characters to explore and enjoyed lots of sensory, messy play linked to the story. The highlight was a visit from a real barn owl like the owl in the story.

**Reception:** Our Reception children have been thoroughly enjoying playing board games this half term! The adults have been following their interests, supporting them as they explore turn-taking, sharing, and working together. Playing games also helps build early language skills, counting, number recognition, and problem-solving. Most importantly, the children have had lots of fun learning through play!



**Year 1:** Year 1 have been feeling very festive over the last few weeks. We did a secret vote to decide on our theme for the Christmas Trees for the St Peter's Christmas Tree Festival and decided on the theme of reindeers. We can't wait to go and visit our decorated tree in December. We have also started rehearsing the songs and using our presentational talk voices to practice lines for our Nativity.

**Year 2:** Year 2 have been wonderfully busy this term exploring the fascinating world of castles. In maths, we've been tackling place value and practising adding and subtracting pairs of two-digit numbers like true knights! Our creative side has been shining too, as we designed our very own coats of arms to show what makes us unique. We're now excitedly preparing for our Jersey Music Service performance on Monday 1st December, as well as our magical KS1 Nativity on 10th December.

**Year 3:** We have been working very hard on our handwriting and publishing our stories in literacy. Some of which we have shared in a school assembly. We have also been learning lots about the UK (cities, counties and topographical features) in geography. As we are heading into the Christmas season we are also working on practising our lines and songs for our Christmas parent sharing event on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm.

**Year 4:** Year 4 have been working hard this term across the curriculum. In Maths, we continue to work on the 4 operations: adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing whilst in Literacy we are working towards creating our own poem, linked to magic as a theme. Our class topic on Medicine Through Time has encouraged us to reflect on and make comparisons between the Great Plague and Covid-19, as well as learn more about key medical pioneers, such as Edward Jenner and Florence Nightingale. In Science and DT, there has been a focus on electricity, covering electrical safety and circuit building as well as focusing on the components required to design and create a light-up poster.

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**Year 5:** Year 5 have been immersed in their Victorian learning this term. They have been reading Street Child, have experienced life in a Victorian school, and even had a special visit from Queen Victoria herself! Pupils have also been enthusiastically taking part in the French Experience, exploring new vocabulary and singing lots of French songs. We look forward to showcasing all of our French learning to parents at the Year 5 Parent Sharing Session on Monday 15th December at 2:30pm.

**Year 6:** Year 6 have been working exceptionally hard in their learning, continually raising the bar in their roles and responsibilities as part of the Pupil Government and successfully maintaining their Privilege Badges as positive role models in our school. We recently visited the Jersey War Tunnels, where we were able to consolidate our World War 2 topic by exploring real artefacts and making meaningful connections with the Jersey Occupation. It's safe to say that we are thoroughly immersed in our topic!

**The Haven:** This term in the Haven our learning has been based around the topic, 'Traditional Tales'. The pupils have enjoyed a variety of activities linked to familiar stories, such as 'The Three Little Pigs', as well as some that are not so familiar, for example 'The Lion and the Mouse', or 'Pattan's Pumpkin'. Pupils have also continued to benefit and enjoy the many enrichment opportunities such as 'Cycling Without Limits', 'Healing Waves' sessions at The Merton Hotel, Forest school, and visits to Gorey Castle. We've also been fortunate to be offered the opportunity to take our pupils to Jump Jersey, which is a charity funded session and has proved very popular.

**United Nations Rights Respecting Schools update:**

This year we are working towards our Gold status as a Rights Respecting School, we are already at Silver, and believe Gold is achievable in the coming months. The Gold Award represents the highest level of commitment to placing children's rights at the heart of everything we do. It means that our school community actively upholds and promotes the principles of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, ensuring that every child feels valued, respected, and empowered to make positive contributions within and beyond school.

We believe that achieving this accreditation is not only about what happens in the classroom, but also about the shared values and understanding within our wider school community. For this reason, we are eager for parents and carers to be part of the process. Your involvement will help strengthen the connection between home and school, ensuring our children see these values reflected in all areas of their lives. Thank you to those parents that joined us for our recent workshops, we look forward to working with more parents over this year.

**Key Dates:**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December –** School Disco; see our social media pages for info

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December –** Deco Day; pupils to wear clothing suitable for crafts, non- uniform

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December –** Y3/4 Christmas event for parents 2.15pm

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December –** NSPCC pop up event at 2.45pm

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December –** KS1 nativity for parents 2pm

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December –**KS2 event for parents 5pm

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December –** Party Day, phase letters sent on 28.11.25 with details

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December –** Last day of Autumn Term; Christmas jumper/top day. KS2 visit to St Saviour's Church



**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January –** INSET Day; School Closed

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January –** First day of the Spring Term

**OPEN DOOR POLICY**

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

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