



**Bodsham Church of England  
Primary School**

**Federation  
of**



**Saltwood Church of England  
Primary School**



In worship we continue to explore the idea of Jesus as the Light of the World. The Sun gives us all the warmth and light we need on Earth. Jesus is the son of God, but could he also be described as the sun of God?

25<sup>th</sup> January 2019



### *Does our PFA have a future? – you decide*

Our school's PFA, the Friends of Saltwood School (FOSS), are in need of a new chair person who can oversee the fund raising events that FOSS coordinate each year. If you have a talent for organisation and are keen to be involved in the life of our school then please get in touch.

The money raised by FOSS forms a vital part of the school's income. Without FOSS the cost of school trips would be much higher (FOSS funds subsidise coach hire), children would not be visiting Brockhill Park each year (FOSS fund the hire of the venue), there would not be a pantomime for the children at Christmas (FOSS paid the whole cost of the pantomime company last year). Without parent volunteers, FOSS cannot continue to operate and events such as our Summer Fair, school discos and the Christmas Bazaar would not take place. Our Christmas Bazaar alone last term raised £2,146 for the school!

Discussions are already in progress about scaling down FOSS or even ceasing to operate altogether, so if you feel you can make a difference, please do get in touch via [foss.sec@outlook.com](mailto:foss.sec@outlook.com) in the first instance to discuss how you might be able to help.

### *Would you like to join our discussion? – Parent and Carer Forum Next Week*

We have established a Parent and Carer Forum which seeks to represent the collective voice of parents and carers in discussion with the school. We will meet three times each year with an open invitation to all parents and carers. Our next meeting will take place from 2.30pm – 3.10pm on Wednesday 30 January and agenda items will include homework, communication between school and home and an update on our curriculum planning. We hope to see you there.

### *What's beyond our planet? – Year 5 off to the Stars!*

On Wednesday next week, Year 5 will be exploring the stars – without leaving our school! The Astrodome will be visiting the school to give the children an immersive planetarium experience.



### *Do you need childcare this half term? – Holiday Club at Saltwood*

Elite Community Coaching have confirmed they will be running a full programme of activities at Saltwood School over half term. There will be fun and exciting activities taking place ranging from football, dodgeball, scooters & bikes and the ever popular inflatables. Sibling and group discounts apply. Contact Elite at [elite.office@aol.co.uk](mailto:elite.office@aol.co.uk) or 07885982598

### *How can we help those in need? – Sponsored Bounce!*

With the help of the South Kent Community Church, our children will be raising funds for children trapped in poverty in Burkina Faso – the third least educated country in the world. As you will see in Mark Lamb's letter, Saltwood School will be holding a sponsored bounce on Friday 15 February. We would be hugely grateful if children could start collecting sponsors now for the bounce on the last day of term.

Yours sincerely  
Paul Newton  
Executive Headteacher

**SALTWOOD DIARY DATES****Terms 3 & 4****2018-2019****Friday 25th January 2019**

<b>JANUARY</b>	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 - Assembly - 3pm
30 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 - Astrodome - School Hall
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 1 Assembly – 2.45pm
1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 3 - Cake Sale
6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 - Visit to Hythe View Care Home
5 <sup>th</sup>	Drop In Zone
12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 - Saltwood Care Home
14 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Open Lesson - 2pm
15 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term 3
16 <sup>th</sup>	Messy Church 4pm – 6pm
18 <sup>th</sup> - 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Half-Term Week
25 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Term 4
28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 - Balgowan Care Home
<b>MARCH</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 2 – Cake Sale
4 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup>	Book Week
5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 - Open Lesson - 9.00am -12.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
15 <sup>th</sup>	Year R - Assembly
19 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening - 4pm - 7pm
21 <sup>st</sup>	Parents' Evening - 5pm - 8pm
<b>APRIL</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 1 - Open Lesson 9.00 - 11.15am
4 <sup>th</sup>	Rock Steady Concert 2.30pm School Hall
5 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term 4
8 <sup>th</sup> - 22 <sup>rd</sup>	Easter Holiday
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Start of Term 5