Salhouse Weekly Update

Wk commencing 14th October

Dear Families.

It's been another busy week at Salhouse with lots of exciting learning going on around the school. I'd like to thank all of those who have taken the time to complete our parent survey; we are analysing the results of this and will share these with you in the next week.

On a more-serious note, I have been made aware of some potentially dangerous driving behaviours along Cheney Avenue; particularly in the vicinity of our school. Parents and families are politely reminded that children are more likely to be the victims of collisions where cars are parked in front of schools – particularly on the yellow warning lines or in such ways that obscure clear vision. Please help us to look after our children and wider community by ensuring that parking is considerate and that speed is proportionate to the conditions and legal limits.

With my thanks and best wishes, Mr Will Emmens, Head of School

Key dates this week

Mon 14th Oct – Y6 Mathematics Challenge (invite only, Broadland High)

FOSS AGM, 7pm

Weds 16th Oct – Non-school uniform day, Celebrating Lola's life

Fri 18th Oct - FOSS school disco (more info overleaf)

Bonfire Lunch 5th November

Can be ordered on Pupil Asset as hot or vegetarian option.

Packed lunches and jacket potatoes will still be available.



Coming up

Thurs 24th Oct – FOSS non uniform day

Thurs 24th Oct - end of Autumn term 1

Mon 4th Nov – start of Autumn term 2

Mon 11th – Weds 13th Nov - parents' evenings, details to follow

Tues 12th Nov – open morning for 2025 reception intake 9-10am

Mon 18th Nov – individual and sibling photographs

FOSS school disco



We kindly request that Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are accompanied by a responsible adult for the duration of the disco. Please remember that FOSS is run by volunteers!

PE kit clarification

Children only need to wear PE kit on the days they have their main PE lesson.

Tuesday: Coots

Thursday: Bitterns, Kingfishers, Grebes and Herons

For PE skills lessons, children remain in their school uniforms. Children may bring in a change of clothes if they attend Monday football with Mr Leaver.

Harvest Festival

On Monday 7th October, children from across the school walked from Salhouse to All Saints Church to celebrate Harvest. The children listened to a sermon from Revd. Darleen and all took part in class performances, which took the form of songs, poems and even a rap!

We're thankful for the support shown from our wonderful community which helped to make this possible.







Smartphones

Does your child have a smartphone?

Do they have access to one in order to play games, watch videos or access social media?



Smartphone Free Childhood is a grassroots movement of parents who believe childhood's too short to be spent on a smartphone

We're on a mission to



Bring parents together to start new and positive conversations about the problems of smartphones and social media in childhood



Empower parents to wait to get their kids a smartphone until at least the end of Year 9, through signing up to the Parent Pact in their region



Demonstrate that parents are demanding change at scale, and therefore force the government and tech companies to act

Why we're doing this now

We've been put in an impossible position by the tech companies. It's a lose lose - either allow our children access to something all the evidence tells us is damaging, or say no and risk alienating them among their peers at a crucial stage of their social development. We believe something needs to change, and it starts with all of us.

How you can get involved

Sign the Parent Pact - Join the growing movement of parents choosing to delay - it takes 30 seconds parentpact.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk

Join your WhatsApp community - Find solidarity, support and inspiration - we have one in every county in Britain

whatsapp.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk

Help build the movement - Volunteer to be a Regional Leader and start making change in your community regionalleadersignup.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk

Sign up to our newsletter - Get the latest news and campaign updates from SFC HQ smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/newsletter

Follow us on Instagram/Linkedin @smartphonefreechildhood smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk



Scan to sign the Parent Pact #smartphonefreechildhood

Calling all gardeners!

We're hoping to regenerate the many wonderful green spaces around our site, particularly the raised beds near our school office and the fence line along our Forest School area.

Our intention is to create havens for wildlife and – with time and care – spaces that the children will learn to love and feel proud of.

If you've an abundance of flowering or fruiting plants that require a good home, we would be grateful to receive these from you.

We regret that we are unable to accept especially large or bulky items.

If you are able to help us, please contact the school office in the first instance, referencing 'plants'!

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Celebrating Lola

On Wednesday 16th October, it would have been Lola's 7th birthday and to celebrate her life we will be having a non-uniform day to raise money for The Nook, the children's hospice who cared for Lola in her last few weeks. Mr Emmens will have a collection pot on the gate at the start of school. Please can children come dressed in bright colours. One of Lola's names is Enfys which means rainbow in Welsh.



Starting School in September 2025?

Do you know someone who has a child starting school in September 2025, if so let them know about our Open Morning, we would love to show them around.

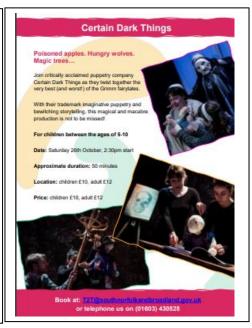


Tots2Teens

Bookings are open for October Half Term, session now available for any child regardless of where they live.









Parent or carer? Need advice or support?

There's lots of services to help in Norfolk and they're joining together in what's called Norfolk family hubs.

Visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/familyhubs or www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/family-hubs to find out more, including information on:

- Parenting
- Health and wellbeing
- Pregnancy

- Money and work
- Learning
- Days out and activities.

From the minute you know you're having a baby, right up to your child's 19th birthday (25 if your child has special educational needs), Norfolk family hubs are here to help.

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Salhouse Primary School: Soaring on wings

'They will soar on wings like eagles They will run and not grow weary They will walk and not be faint.' Isaiah 40:31

