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Newsletter

8<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,



### **Stone Age Historian Visit**

Last week, the children in Trent Class were visited by the external education provider, Portals to the Past. They spent the day exploring life in the Stone Age and took part in a range of activities. A huge thank you to our PTA for funding this opportunity for the children.

### **Vacancy - Lunchtime Staff**

We are currently looking for lunchtime staff. The shift runs from 12:55 to 13:15. If you would like more information or an application form, please email the school office at [enquiries@saledavys.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@saledavys.derbyshire.sch.uk) or speak to Mrs Briggs.

### **Golden Worship**

Throughout the year, children across school have been working hard to earn merits towards their Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates. Bronze and Silver certificates are presented during our regular collective worships. Gold certificates are reserved for our special Golden Worships as we invite parents and carers to join us as children receive their Gold certificates. Please save the date for the following Golden Worships, which will all take place between 9:00 – 9:30am.

- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Griffon Class
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Trent Class
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Dart Class
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Merlin Class

### **Save the Date – Sports Day**

We know that many parents have been asking for details of Sports Day and we can now confirm that this will take place in the afternoon on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Thank you!**

Mrs Brazier, one of our Year 1 parents, kindly spent the whole of Thursday morning clearing the brambles at the back of the school hall. Thanks to her hard work the area has been transformed and can now begin to be used as a space for outdoor learning. Thank you, Mrs Brazier!

### **Fidget Toys in School**

Please do not send children into school with fidget toys, particularly those containing liquids or other unknown substances, as these can create safety risks if broken. We understand some children may benefit from the comfort of sensory items. If this is the case, please speak to your child's class teacher first so the item can be agreed before being brought into school.

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### **Warm Weather**

As the weather is warming up, please remember to send children to school with a sunhat and to apply sun cream before they arrive each morning. As the weather can still be unpredictable, children should also continue to bring a waterproof coat each day.

### **Friction Pens and Refills**

Friction Pens and Refills are available to purchase on ParentPay and can be collected from the school office. Please ensure that you have made your payment on ParentPay before asking your child to collect it.

### **After School Club**

Please see the leaflet below with details of our After School Club including booking details.

### **Attendance**

We know that being in school every day and on time gives children the best chance to succeed. We are proud that most of our pupils maintain excellent attendance, and we would like to thank parents for supporting this positive habit and helping to build resilience in their children. We also understand that children can become unwell from time to time. This is why our whole-school attendance target is set at 96%, allowing for those occasional, unavoidable absences. If your child's attendance falls below 90%, this is classified as persistent absence under government guidelines, and we are required to take appropriate action. Should this occur by the end of the term, we will contact you to discuss how we can work together to support you and your child in improving attendance. Our aim is always to ensure every pupil can fully access their learning and feel confident and settled in school.

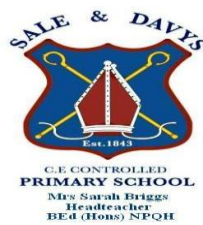
### **Reporting Absence and Lateness**

Please call the school to report your child's absence before 9.20 on the day of the absence and each subsequent day of absence, and advise when they are expected to return. Children will be recorded as late if they are not in their classroom for 8:50am. If your child arrives after registration closes at 9.20am this will be marked as an unauthorised absence.

Sarah Briggs  
Headteacher

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**Monday  
Arts&Crafts**



**Tuesday  
Multi Sports**



**Wednesday  
lego**



**Thursday  
fun &  
Games**



**Friday  
MadLabs**

**Activity club 3.30-4.30pm  
Discounted care club daily  
3:30-5:30pm**

Rotating Menu includes...

Tuna, mayonnaise and sweetcorn  
wraps

Cheese and tomato sandwiches

Cream cheese and cucumber bagels,

Chicken Gyros

Full Menu on our website!

**Price**

**£6.70 per Activity Club**

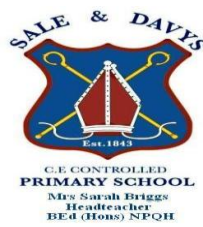
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**3:15-6:00pm including food**

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**PAPAYA**

# Let's talk about our kids and their tech

## PARENT TALK WITH DR SPELLS

Weston on Trent Primary School

Thurs 18 June | 7.30-9 pm

EVERYONE WELCOME

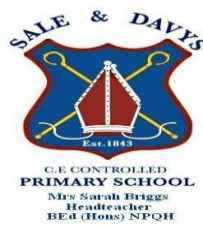


This talk offers parents and carers clear, research-backed insights and practical strategies for managing children's mental health and tech use.

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FREE CHILDHOOD**

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DATE & TIME

**Thursday 18 June - 7.30pm**



Dr Laura Spells

After working as a GP for 5 years, and having three children during her training, Dr Laura Spells realised she had developed an interest in child and adolescent mental health. She therefore chose to step away from General Practice and instead now works as a Specialty Doctor in CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health).

Laura already had concerns as a parent about the challenges she faced with her own children and smartphone use in the future, however these concerns have been amplified by seeing children every day who are struggling in today's modern world with their own mental health. She has become a passionate leader in the Smartphone Free Childhood Campaign and is eager to help families navigate this complex world.

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## Helping families to thrive in a digital age

Parenting in the **digital age** has never been more complex, with issues surrounding screen time, social media use, and gaming.

Many parents are concerned about their children's mental health, especially the impact of screens on it.

In this interactive talk, Dr Laura Spells unpacks some of the **complex issues** surrounding smartphone use and, in a **non-judgemental** manner, aims to help you find solutions that work for your family.

## Topics

- The link between mental health and wellbeing and spending too much time online
- Strategies for delaying the smartphone
- Strategies for families to achieve a healthy balance with technology
- Question and discussion time

*"The talk is so relevant, full of insight and eye-opening. You will walk away inspired to connect, reflect, and find out more. I highly recommend it."*

— Claire Curtis, parent and SFC volunteer.