

# Saughton Church of England Primary School and Pre-School

## Spring Newsletter 2026



It's been a wonderful Spring term in Saughton, filled with memorable events such as World Book Day, our Valentine's disco, and a range of sporting activities. We've also welcomed some new school fish to our Saughton family, which has been a lovely addition for the children. As we approach the Easter break, we're pleased to share some of this term's highlights with you.



Our Year 4 children had a fantastic time on their residential trip to Min-y-don Christian Adventure Centre in Arthog, Wales. Over the course of three action-packed days, they took part in rock climbing, canoeing, team-building games, and a high ropes course. Throughout the visit, the children demonstrated remarkable courage, resilience, and determination, as well as friendship and care for one another.



Year 2 also enjoyed an exciting residential stay at Burwardsley, where they took part in pond-dipping, orienteering, and weaving. We are incredibly proud of the positivity and bravery they showed during their adventure.

Mother's Day celebrations were in full bloom this year with the much-loved Eaton flower shop making its return. We were also delighted to welcome our wonderful Westminster and Belgravia mums and grandmas for a special afternoon in the forest. Our Key Stage 2 children put great care into crafting beautiful necklaces and heartfelt cards, reflecting on what they cherish most about the special ladies in their lives.



Our children have once again thoroughly enjoyed their Forest School sessions this term. Highlights have included building dens with our fantastic new kits and toasting plenty of delicious treats over the campfire. Don't forget to check Instagram for lots more Forest School photos!





We've been fortunate to enjoy a wide range of school visits this term. Cavendish had a fantastic trip to Jodrell Bank, where they learned all about our Solar System and the Lovell Telescope.

Grosvenor loved their visit to the Grosvenor Museum and even stepped into the past as Roman soldiers for the day.



Key Stage 1 explored Chester Zoo, carefully observing the African animals and years 2 and 3 visited Chester Cathedral for Holy Week, spending time reflecting on the Easter story.



We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the members of our Governing Body. If you see any of them around school, please do say hello! We are also very proud of Miss Zee Dempsey who has been appointed as a Governor at Blacon High School with a special responsibility on their curriculum committee.

Robert Wellings  
Acting Chair of Governors

Rhona Kettle  
Vice Chair of Governors

Margaret Buckler  
Foundation Governor

Robert Turner  
Foundation Governor

Skevi Theophanous  
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Sue Dawson  
Headteacher

William Stockton  
Parent Governor

Reverend Jules Beauchamp  
Incumbent

### A message from our Friends of Saughton

Friends of Saughton (FOS) would like to send a massive thank you to all parents, friends, relatives and, of course, the children who have demonstrated such great support for the series of events on offer this term! It was truly magical to see the children celebrating the start of half term together with their friends at the **Valentine's Disco**, and the array of crafts & activities available were clearly enjoyed by all. The **February Bake Sale** also proved popular, and was a welcome boost to both energy levels and positive spirits during what was a very grey month indeed. And finally, this year's **Bingo Night**, kindly hosted at The Mount last week, was much fun for the grown-ups! Again, thank you for your support with all these events and more which, at times, has been overwhelming. This term we have raised an amazing total of £979.86! This puts us well on the way to achieving our immediate aim of equipping school with sufficient iPads for half a class. Clearly, the longer term goal is to make this a full class set and with your continued support at our ongoing events program, we will hopefully make this happen sooner rather than later.



This term it has been lovely to acquire our forest school storage shed, along with some great den building kits courtesy of our connections with the Free Masons. All our equipment is now securely stored and the children have thoroughly enjoyed creating some fantastic shelters.

Thank you so much again, and sending very best Easter Wishes to all.  
Friends of Saughton 😊