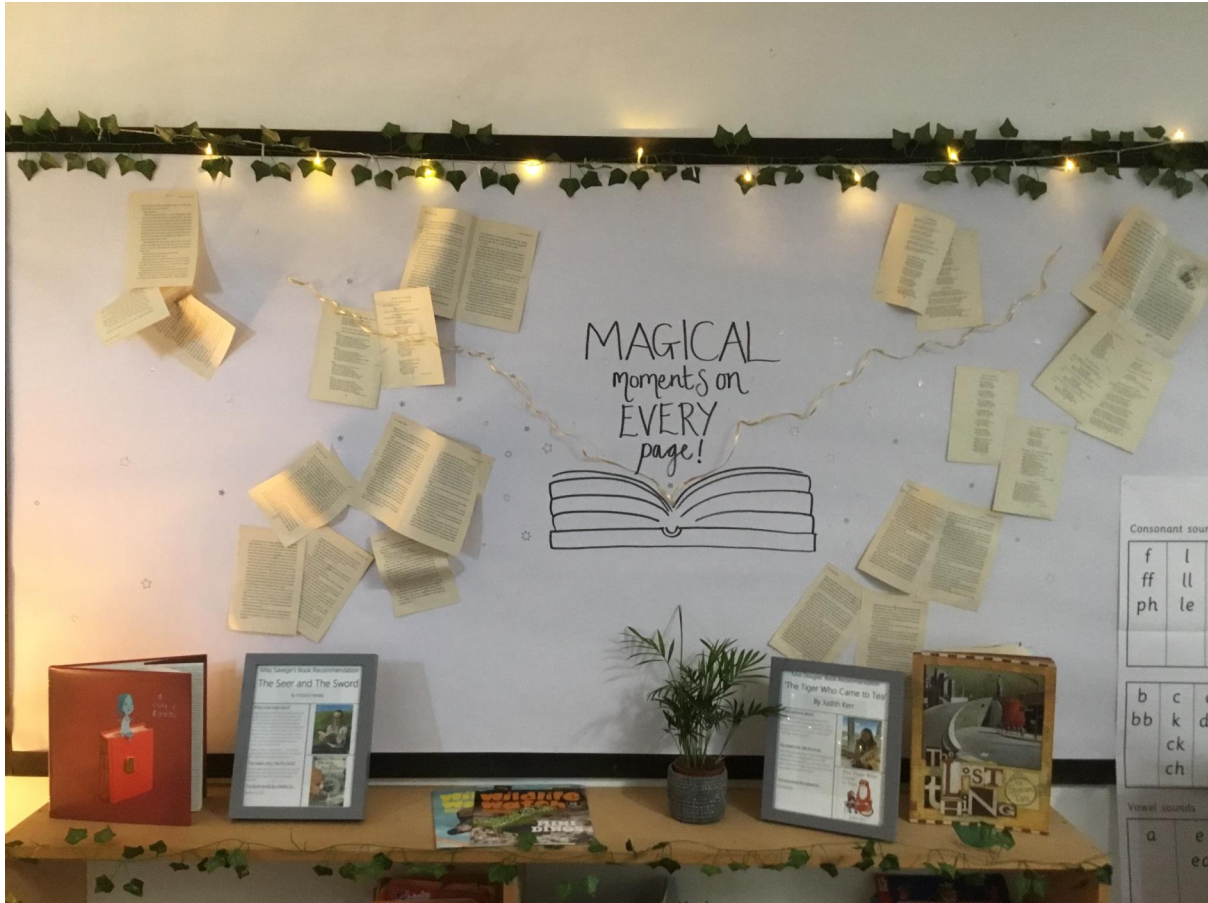




# The Salcombe Scoop 16th May

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## A Message from Miss Bond





Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

SATs have dominated the week for us this week. What with the free SATs breakfast club we provided, the actual exams and then the celebrations, it has certainly been the focus of attention! The children have been an absolute credit and have, without a doubt, showed our school Christian value of Aspiration. I can't stop recalling the first practise test that we did together in September, which was quite an experience for them and me! Lots of huffing, puffing, moaning and groaning and the children were not even able to sit in silence to complete the tests! Oh how they have grown! They methodically and confidently approached every test, knowing that they had done their very best over the past nine months and that this was their time to show off all that they had learnt. Unfortunately, tests are a part of school life and I am very proud that they can now apply themselves so well proving that they are ready for secondary school in just a few months time. Whatever the outcomes, we have all worked our socks off and have risen to the challenge.

**Of course, exams are only one part a child's educational journey - providing a judgement against a criteria that someone, somewhere has decided is an expected outcome on their behalf. They certainly do not measure their characters and talents - of which they have plenty! At Salcombe, we are proud to be designing a curriculum that enables us to develop the whole child and balance the need to attain knowledge and be prepared for their secondary school adventure with opportunities to get outside on our wonderful school site, into our rich community and further afield on exciting residential. Examples of this have been Lobster class learning about coastal features, coastal features within Salcombe and the surrounding areas and soon going on a trip to observe physical and geographical coastal features within the town.**

Lobster class will also soon be beginning to look a history unit about WW2. If you, or anyone you know, have any stories/objects/photos to do with WW2 or also anything about Salcombe during WW2, please get in touch with school as we'd love to hear from you.

**Lastly, things are hotting up in the incubator as we have have entered the 'lockdown' phase where we increase the humidity so that the shells soften for the chicks to hatch out from. We have candled the eggs this week which was a fascinating experience and we are**

nervous, but optimistic, that we may have a one or two chicks on Monday! It's been wonderful for Prawns and other children to be a part of this process with their observation checks on the incubator being a daily highlight!

Have a lovely weekend and don't forget our grand finale of the much anticipated **Salcombe's Got Talent** will be on **Wednesday 20th May @ 2:30pm** in our school hall - we hope to see you there!

Miss Bond



### Our Wishlist

Now that the weather is beginning to stabilise we would like to push on with some developments in our outdoor spaces.

**We would love to create a herb garden outside nursery and would appreciate any donations of lavender, rosemary, thyme or other hardy herbs. If you think you could donate a plant, please do!**

Miss Dickens is also working on the water area and mud-pit site. She has sent a letter already, but if you could donate or spare tubes, bendy piping, funnels and jugs, please do.

**Thank you in advance!**

### **Breakfast and After School Club**

Please get in touch with Charlotte to secure your place in advance and create a booking through the specific email address which is **wraparoundcare@salcombe-primary.devon.sch.uk** . The booking deadline will be 3:45pm prior to the day required and the email address will not be manned over the weekend meaning if you want a Monday breakfast club session, it must be booked by 3:45pm on the Friday before. As this is a new system for all of us, there are bound to be a few niggles, so please bear with us!

Abi runs the breakfast and after school club with a wide range of exciting activities each week. Next term her sessions will be themed around the following:

**Monday: Outside Adventures; Tuesday: Focus on Football; Wednesday: Art Attack; Thursday: Fantastic Food; Friday: Funday Friday!**

Please contact us on 01548 842 842 to arrange sessions between:

- 8:00 until 8:35 (£4.50 per session)
- 15:20 until 16:30 (£5.00 per session)
- 15:20 until 17:30 (£8.00 per session)

### **Amazing Achievements!**

**Congratulations** to our 5 times a week readers this week who have all put their raffle tickets in the draw for the book token!

This week's certificate winners were **Halle, Hendrix, Emma and Roxy**. A big well done to them showing our school values - we are very proud of you!

Our times table and maths champions were **Mia, Phoebe, Ethan and Emma!** Well done to you for being so impressive!



## Messages from the Office



- Don't forget we're a nut free school!

**Clubs for the *Summer* term will be as follows:**

Mon - SATs club for Year 6 3:20-4:20

Tuesday - Mrs Blake will now run an art club on a Tuesday - any ages - limited spaces.

Thurs - Forest School with Mrs Hedgehog 3:20-4:20 - any ages - see poster below.

## Dates for your Diary



**22/5/26 - Year 6 Canoeing in Kingsbridge**

**20/5/26 - Salcombe's Got Talent - Parents invited in watch the finalists - 2:30pm**

**25/5/26 - 29/5/26 - Half Term**

**1/6/26 - Non-Pupil Day**

**2/6/26 - KCC visiting Salcombe with Y6 parents - check your email for timings.**

1-12/6/26 - Y4 Multiplication Check

8/6/26 - Y1/2 Phonics Screening Test

16-19/6/26 - Y5/6 London Trip

**25/6/26 - Tempest photographs**

30/6/26 - Sports Day

7/7/26 - Sports Day Reserve

**9/7/26 - Parent Forum time TBC after school**

16/7/26 - Y3/4 Overnight trip to Young Spirit of Adventure

21/7/26 - Y6 Leavers Assembly

22/7/26 - End of Term

# Family bug hunt!

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 12 noon**

**Life on the Edge**

**Discover the wonderful world of minibeasts at Bolberry Down!**

Explore the meadows at Bolberry and see who is crawling and buzzing around the flowers, then have a go at a bug craft to take home with you!

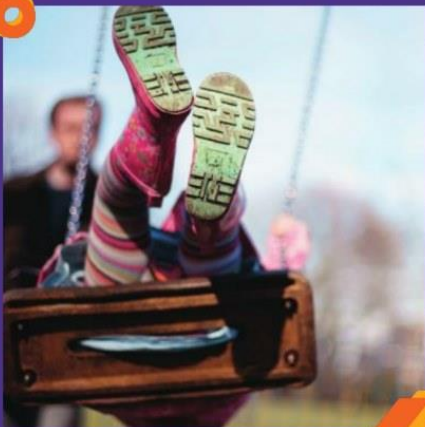
Find us in the LotE gazebo on the meadow - follow the signs from Bolberry Down car park, TQ7 3DY

**Drop in anytime and stay as long as you like!**

More details at [www.southdevon-nl.org.uk/events](http://www.southdevon-nl.org.uk/events)




**South Devon  
National  
Landscape**

## Parent support volunteers needed

Do you remember sleepless nights, tantrums, first day at school?

Do you have a couple of hours a week spare to support a family in their home, community or digitally?

Are you non-judgemental, a good listener with life/parenting experience?

Contact us today to find out more

[homestart-southandwestdevon.org.uk](http://homestart-southandwestdevon.org.uk)  
[07307873163/homestart.shpt@gmail.com](mailto:07307873163/homestart.shpt@gmail.com)



Or Scan the QR Code

**HOME  
START**  
South & West Devon

Charity no. 1108077  
The Reef Centre, Mudgie Way, PLYMOUTH, PL1 2PS

# SALCOMBE YACHT CLUB

Come and discover what SYC is all about and try a FREE Sailing Taster session (Dinghy & Yacht)

spaces Limited!



## DISCOVER SAILING Open Day

29.05.26



[www.salcombeyc.org.uk](http://www.salcombeyc.org.uk)

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## WILD ADVENTURE DAYS - SALCOMBE

**MAY:**  
26th & 28th

**AUGUST:**  
3rd, 4th  
10th, 11th, 12th  
17th, 18th, 19th  
24th, 25th, 26th

Limited Spaces - Book Early

### ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

Woodland Crafts  
Fire Making  
Den Building  
Campfire cooking  
Tool use  
Beach School Afternoons

**AGES:** 3-11 Yr Old

**TIME:** 9:30am - 3:30pm

**COST:** £42 per child



**CONTACT: ABIGAIL HARDING (aka Mrs Hedgehog)**  
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## Contact Us

We always want to hear from you. If you'd like to get in touch to make an appointment or share something important, a member of the team will always make time to speak with you. Please get in touch or come and visit; we look forward to welcoming you.

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