

## **SAMARÈS SCHOOL**

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Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2025,

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Democracy week**

On Wednesday, Key Stage 2 welcomed Deputy Barbara Ward to assembly as part of our learning for Democracy week. The children learnt about democracy and Deputy Ward shared information about her role in the States of Jersey and how she represents her views. As a school this supports our focus on sharing our voice through oracy. Each year in school, we have a School Council election where the whole school elects representatives from each class for our pupil voice.

### **Car Park – drive slowly**

We ask that you drive **VERY** slowly in the car park. Children and parents/carers will be walking to go to their cars and it is essential that any car users drive very slowly. This is for safety reasons.

### **Darker Days**

Please remember mornings and evenings are getting darker, if you are walking to school please wear something so that you can be seen 🙌

### **Message from the School Council**

This year the school council have chosen to support the Shelter Trust in their **Tinathon**. The Shelter Trust support Jersey's homeless and needy.

The school council are asking if as many of us who are able can bring a filled tin of meat, fish, vegetables or fruit to their classroom for donation. Please double check to ensure tins are in date. The deadline is Wednesday 8th October.

### **Phonics**

Children in YR, 1 and 2 have settled in well to their new phonics groups and are working really hard.

Please continue to read each night with your child. It is so important! They will have a new book each day in their homework folder.

If you need any support with how to read with your child, please speak to your child's class teacher or Miss Le Seilleur.

### **Online safety**

Our Year 4, 5 and 6 classes attended an online safety talk last week and our Y6's attend an online performance this week.

The Government have issued advice for parents which can be found here:

<https://www.gov.je/StayingSafe/BeSafeOnline/ProtectingYourselfAndFamilyOnline/pages/keepingchildrensafe.aspx>

We encourage parents to monitor and check their child's online use. This is especially important for messaging apps that children might use.

### **Food and allergies and medical information**

We have a number of children who are allergic to nuts in school. Please can parents/carers ensure that lunch boxes or snacks are **completely free** of nuts and nut products (e.g. Nutella, peanut butter).

We are auditing the medical information we hold for children. If your child has a medical condition, please fill this online form in as soon as possible.

<https://forms.office.com/e/kTqTbCIYNX>

### **Headlice**

Please check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat if you see headlice. Long hair should be tied back at school which helps slow the spread of headlice. Guidance can be found here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

### **Term Dates**

Term dates for the next academic year can be found here:

[Term Dates - Government of Jersey](#)

Please note our last **INSET day** for 2025/6 is Friday 13th February 2026 and school will be closed for children on this day.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, comments or queries.

Many thanks,



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