



EPHS Weekly Information Letter – Friday 1st May 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are now settled in to the summer term welcomed in by an increase in temperatures. Whilst the temperatures have started to climb, we do still expect students to arrive in full school uniform, this includes blazer and tights (however a jumper is not compulsory). We will monitor temperatures and advise should students be allowed to attend without their blazer.

Please remember that Monday is a bank holiday and so we will welcome students back to school on Tuesday 5th May 2026.

As always, should you have any issues or queries, please do not hesitate to contact school on the below details.

Many thanks,
EPHS

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General Information

School contact number – 0161 507 6420

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Heads of Year

Yr 7 Mrs L Hanbridge

Yr 8 Miss A Botham

Yr 9 Mr C Hutton

Yr 10 Mrs M Lewis

Yr 11 Mrs L Kavanagh

General School Reminders



Uniform

As a reminder, if your child chooses to wear a skirt to school they must also wear a minimum 40 denier tights. If they do not arrive to school with the correct uniform, this may result in your child being placed in reflection.

Bikes

There are a small number of students who are not using their bikes safely both in and around the school grounds. If your child cycles to school, please remind them to be respectful on the roads and cycle paths and ensure that they walk with their bike whilst on school grounds. This is to keep our students, staff and visitors safe as well as those in our local area.



Exams

The GCSE Exams commence next week with the first exam taking place on Friday 8th May at 9am for Spors Studies. A full timetable will be sent out early next week with information regarding booster sessions. School will be open from 8am each day for students to attend for revision.



Worried about your child vaping?

What can parents do?

If you believe a business is selling illegal vapes, contact Salford

Trading Standards:

Hotline: 0808 223 1133

www.salford.gov.uk/advice-and-support/consumer-advice

More support and advice:

ASH - <https://ash.org.uk/>

Early Break - <https://earlybreak.co.uk/>

Salford Youth Service -

<https://www.salford.gov.uk/children-and-families/youth-services/>

healthwatch
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Salford

Contact us: 0161 960 0316

The Old Town Hall, 5 Irwell Place, Eccles, M30 0FN

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Vaping has quickly become a growing concern for families nationally. Parents, teachers and health professionals in Salford are raising serious concerns about its impact on health and addiction amongst our children and young people.

In response, Healthwatch Salford launched the well-received 2025 Vape Debate, a major research project gathering the views of parents, young people and school staff across the city. The findings from 1,500 residents have helped build a clearer picture of how vaping amongst young people is affecting families and communities.

This leaflet highlights 2 of the main concerns that parents and guardians shared with us about young people vaping – the nicotine content of vapes, and how to report illegal sales of vapes in Salford

In fact, we found that 93% of parents who took part said they were worried about the number of children and young people vaping.

What's in your child's vapes?

A standard 2ml of e-liquid can be the equivalent to 20 mg of nicotine or 1-2 packs of 20 cigarettes. Our study found that 83% of children/young people who vaped said there was nicotine in their vapes.

"I previously found out my daughter had been vaping. She started complaining about 'funny pains in her chest' - clearly the impact of too much nicotine - the amount of nicotine in vapes is scary. Once she stopped vaping, the pains went away and have never returned." Anonymous Parent

Effects of nicotine:

- Affects the cardiovascular system by increasing heart rate and blood pressure.
- Can interfere with brain development, particularly in young people.
- Its addictive nature makes dependence difficult to break once it begins, and young people may move on to smoking.

Our study found that 1 in 5 young people who vape do so in bed in the morning, which is a sign of addiction.

Where do young people get their vapes from, and what can parents do?

Our study found that 30% of children/young people are getting vapes from their local shop, 12% are given them by a parent/guardian/family member.

"I feel like stopping vaping is a lost battle from the parent perspective. Most small shops are selling vapes and liquid to underage kids."

Anonymous Parent

Facts:

- Trading Standards are very active in Salford. Between 2022 and 2024, Salford was named as the area with the 3rd highest number of illegal vapes seized in the whole of England.
- In 2024/25, Trading Standards undertook test purchases of vapes, and 43% of establishments failed.

Read more about the findings from our Vape Debate

report by visiting our website:

www.healthwatchsalford.co.uk

and search Vape Debate

The Vape Debate





Drop in!

Salford's Neurodiversity Network

A space for you to come and talk to services, meet other parents and families, learn about strategies and ask questions linked to your child's neurodevelopmental needs.



Thursday 21st May 2026

Drop in between 1pm and 3pm

**Winton Nursery, Winton Children's Centre
Brindley Street
M30 8AB**

What's on this month?

- Drop in to talk, ask questions, and access support from Salford services
- Meet other parents/families and have a chat over coffee/tea and biscuits
- Bring in toys you don't use that are in good condition for a "Toy Trade" and swap it with a different one
- Opportunity to win prize vouchers!



Who is the Neurodiversity Network for?

The Neurodiversity Network sessions are for parents / carers of a neurodivergent child. Your child does not require a diagnosis for you to attend.

Why come along?

- A first point of contact to support your child's neurodevelopmental needs
- Get advice tailored to your child and family's needs
- Connect with others and build your support network
- Discover local services and resources



Sessions will be held across Salford each month

Contact us for more information: adminneurodevelopment@salford.gov.uk

