



Saltaire Festival

Thursday 17th September & Friday 18th September

Dear Parent, Carer or Next of Kin,

Saltaire Festival takes place this weekend, with a wide range of live art, music, food and community activities taking place across the village.

We want our students to be able to enjoy the festival and the opportunities it brings to the local community. However, we would like to make you aware of some important arrangements which may affect travel to and from College.

Road closures and increased activity

From 4.00pm on Thursday, traders and food stalls will begin to arrive on Exhibition Road. Exhibition Road will be closed to cars from 5.00pm on Thursday and will remain closed to vehicles throughout Friday.

There will also be significantly increased pedestrian and vehicle activity in and around Saltaire, and we anticipate that the village will be particularly congested.

Collection arrangements

If you are collecting your young person from college on Thursday evening or at any time on Friday, we strongly ask that, wherever possible, you do not bring your car into Saltaire village.

With the road closures and additional festival activity, congestion is likely to be significant. We would therefore encourage you to agree an alternative collection point outside the village with your young person.

For students who have arranged transport, the College will ensure that they are collected from the bottom road below the Jonathan Silver Building. College staff will support students safely from the college to their arranged transport.

Safeguarding and student safety

As always, the safety and safeguarding of our students is our priority. Students have been reminded that they must wear their college lanyard at all times while on College premises. This is an important safeguarding measure which helps staff identify our students and maintain a safe environment.

We have also reminded students of the importance of behaving respectfully towards the local community and of representing Shipley College positively when they are in and around Saltaire.

We appreciate your support in reinforcing these messages with your young person and in making alternative collection arrangements where possible.

We hope that students, families and the wider community have an enjoyable and safe Saltaire Festival.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

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