



Friday 4th February 2022

Dear Families of Swillington Primary School,

Thank you all for this week. In Monday's assembly we discussed the importance of sleep and why we must ensure we get a good night's rest.

Understanding mathematical methods

After some feedback from a parent/carer, each week we will explain to you methods that we use in school.

This week's is the use of a ten frame (please note, we would use the word counter, not chip). Having a secure understanding of this will allow pupils to recall number facts quickly.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N-v6HVSso70>

Elephant Class

Mrs Smith will be leaving us after half term. There is currently a recruitment process in place to secure a teacher for March. As always, we will keep you informed.

Packed lunches

Please ensure your child/children is/are not bringing confectionery into school. We encourage a balanced diet, but a chocolate bar should not form part of a school packed lunch. There are some great ideas for packed lunches here- https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/articles/school_lunch_and_snack_ideas

Alternatively, why not try our popular school meals.

Zones of regulation

Introduced last year, we are continuing to learn about how to manage our emotions, here is a link to help you understand some of the vocabulary we are using in school.

<https://www.zonesofregulation.com/learn-more-about-the-zones.html>

Safeguarding concerns

Our website is full of useful information and contacts if you ever have safeguarding concerns over a weekend or a holiday period. <https://swillingtonprimary.com/parents/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>

Spring Term key dates

All key dates for Spring can be found here <https://swillingtonprimary.com/parents/calendar/>

Channels of communication

Please can I remind you to contact your child's class teacher in the first instance for matters relating to your child.

For general enquiries, e.g. wrap around care, dinners etc please contact the main school office-
office@swillingtonprimary.com

Attendance

Please visit our website to find our attendance guidelines. <https://swillingtonprimary.com/parents/school-attendanceabsence-procedure/>

Thank you for supporting your child's attendance.

To date our attendance for the year is 95.0%

This week, our whole school attendance has been 95%. This is a slight decline from last week.

We have seen a huge rise in term time holidays. Thank you for not taking holidays in term time. Fines are being issued for holidays taken in term time.

Curricular plans for this year

Visit our website to see the exciting plans for your child's/children's class.
<https://swillingtonprimary.com/curriculum/curricular-plans/>

Nut free school

Please remember we are a nut free school due to pupils having allergies. Thank you.

Wrap around care

Our Breakfast Club and Tea Time Club is running as normal. If you would like to book your child into any of these, please contact the school office. **Please note, we do require some notice for Tea Time Club as we may need to adjust our staffing.**

Lunches from September 2021

The menu is on our website. Next week is Week 2.

<https://swillingtonprimary.com/assets/Uploads/School-Lunch-Menu-September-2021.pdf>

Calendar 2021-2022

Our training days for next year are now confirmed and an updated School Calendar can be found on the school website: <https://swillingtonprimary.com/parents/calendar/>

<https://swillingtonprimary.com/assets/Uploads/BLP-Term-Dates-2021-2022-amended-to-reflect-Platinum-jubilee.pdf>

We hope you all have a happy and safe weekend

Thank you,

Mr M Cahill
Headteacher

<https://twitter.com/swillingtonps>

