

Friday 7th January 2022



Dear Families of Swillington Primary School,

Thank you all for this week. In Wednesday's assembly, we discussed and reinforced our school rules and expectations. We also looked at how our school values are upheld at home. Sometimes our children see the values in isolation and only in lesson contexts. It would be great if over the next few weeks you could share these with us. You could send photos to your child's class teacher E.g. Does your child show respect for the environment by washing up? We had a great example of tolerance sent to us this week, of how two siblings used their own money to buy a homeless person a hot meal and drink (with parental supervision and support).

Year 6 residential 2022

Next academic year, Lion Class will move to Turtle Class and be a mixed Year 5/6 class.

As the residential has always been an opportunity offered to Year 6 pupils, we will continue this by inviting Year 6 pupils only. Year 5 pupils will be given the same opportunity the following year once they are in Year 6. Further information about dates and prices will be available once we have confirmed our booking. Thank you for your understanding.

Parent SATs meeting for Year 2 and 6.

The SATs information meeting on Monday 10th at 5pm will now take place virtually via Google Meet. The link has been posted on Elephant and Turtle Class Dojo.

Christmas Fayre

Message from P@SS- It is with great pleasure that we can announce that we have raised a fantastic £1843.90. That's a 39% increase from pre-covid times!

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/>

Parking

Can parents please be mindful when parking outside of school, please refrain from parking on the Yellow zig zags and blocking the car park gates.

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

Zero tolerance of abusive behaviour

Expectations of parents, carers and visitors to the school.

Our team do not come to work for any of the following...

Types of behaviour that are considered serious and unacceptable and which will not be tolerated in relation to members of staff and other members of the community are:

- shouting, either in person or over the telephone
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- emails which are sarcastic, combative or aggressive in tone and language constant emails and/or phone calls which amount to harassment and intimidation, despite the school's best efforts to address a situation
- inappropriate electronic activity including publishing abusive or inappropriate content with regards to the school, teachers or students on social networking websites such as Facebook and Twitter or in email communication
- any form of physical violence, such as pushing or hitting physically intimidation, e.g. standing unnecessarily close to her/him
- the use of rude or aggressive hand gestures, including shaking or holding a fist towards another person

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.%

This week, our whole school attendance has been 97%. This is much better than previous weeks.

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.

Staggered start/finish times- September 2021

Please remember to arrive/collect at the **start time of your allocated slot**. Thank you.

A-H to arrive at 8.40 Leave at 3.15

I-Z to arrive at 8.50 Leave at 3.15

Doors will close at 8.55am

School price list: 2021-2022

School Lunch - £2.35 per day

School Milk - £33 for the year

Nursery Fees - £15 half day / £25 full day

Breakfast Club - £2 per day

Tea Time Club - £3 per hour / £5 per day if you do full week 2 hours a day

Uniform expectations

Thank you for ensuring your child/children is/are wearing the correct school uniform. As the expectation will be the same when they attend high school in the future we want to help set this standard now.

We are noticing some pupils are wearing trainers (on their non P.E/club days).

Please remember, if you need any help with this please contact school.

Navy blue skirt/dresses/trousers, 'Jade' or Navy polo top and sweatshirt or cardigan. All these items, with the school logo, may be purchased from school, through our supplier or SPT in Garforth, main street. The logo is not compulsory, and you may be able to buy suitable clothing from a local shop or online.

Children should wear sensible flat school shoes. Shoes with high heels are not appropriate, neither are flip-flops or open-toed sandals in the summer time. All items of clothing should be clearly marked with your child's name.

If you need any help with getting the correct uniform, please speak to Mr Cahill.

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 1.

<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

