



Dear Families of Swillington Primary School,

**Thank you**

Thank you all for this week. The snow caused further disruptions but, due to your support, we got through it and remained open. We are entering week 6 of home learning.

**Snow Days**

If we have further snow days, we will cancel all live learning sessions. This is to ensure consistency of learning for all of our children and because of technical difficulties that staff have working from home. We will still continue to set and monitor learning via Dojo / Tapestry and teachers will still be contactable during school hours. This also gives your family the opportunity to enjoy the snow.

**Our Live Learning Offer**

After feedback from parents, we are really pleased to offer an additional morning live teach session to each class (Tigers - Turtles). Previous live learning slots have been altered so please check your new times. As before, Polar Bears and Snow Leopards will not have live sessions on a Wednesday Morning. Afternoon sessions will continue as normal. This started last Monday and will continue for the next few weeks.

9.00 - 9.25	<i>Snow Leopards and Tigers</i>
9.25 - 9.50	<i>Polar Bears (9.30 - 9.45)</i> <i>Turtles (9.25 - 9.50)</i>
9.50 - 10.15	<i>Elephants + Penguins</i>
10.15 - 10.40	<i>Lions</i>
10.40 - 11.05	<i>Tigers and Turtles</i>
11.05 - 11.30	<i>Elephants and Penguins</i>
11.30 - 11.55	<i>Lions</i>

**Competition Time**

Well-being Matters – create a personal well-being toolkit!

<https://childfriendlyleeds.wordpress.com/2021/01/20/competitions-for-young-people-during-lockdown/>

**Assembly Theme**

Our assembly theme this week has been based around the importance of sleep-

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_aAmaCeq9v4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_aAmaCeq9v4)

**Our Virtual Library**

Visit our virtual library! There are lots of exciting resources (including audio books.)

<https://swillingtonprimary.com/community/the-virtual-library/>

Class code= xuu4495

### **Parent Forum**

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended. We have used the feedback from this and from the parent survey to create a 'You said, we listened' document. We will share this with you next week.

### **Captain Sir Tom Moore**



After half term, we will be learning a lot more about this inspirational man.

### **Home Learning**

As well as all the fantastic learning provided by teachers, remember we have a wealth of further sites on our school website- <https://swillingtonprimary.com/curriculum/home-learning-websites/>

### **Lateral flow testing for staff**

As I mentioned last week, school staff can opt in to test themselves twice weekly. We have decided as a school that these will take place on a Friday and Tuesday. We will, of course, update you if we need to close bubbles.

### **Cold weather/slippery surfaces**

Please be careful on a morning when walking to school and walking around the school site. Similar to last week, we will try and text you in the morning if we feel the ground surface is particularly icy. We will always endeavour to grit the surface and use the main entrance to minimise any risk.

### **Lunches**

The menu is on our website. Next week it will be the Week 1 Menu.

### **Food Bank**

We will be operating a food bank every Friday (starting from 12th Feb). This will be placed at the front of school. If you would like to donate tinned goods etc, you can drop these off at school on a Monday and Tuesday so they can be safely quarantined until Friday. We want to ensure that none of our families go hungry, so please use the food bank if you need it.

### Local Businesses

We are really proud of one of our parents, who has set up a brilliant new site for home learning resources.

### **Reign&Rainbows**



<https://www.facebook.com/105529104884113/posts/108537124583311/?d=n>

<https://instagram.com/reignandrainbows?igshid=deynd8vh6g24>

### Calendar 2021-2022

We will confirm our training days for next year.

<https://swillingtonprimary.com/parents/calendar/>

Please can I also remind parents about adhering to social distancing whilst dropping off and collecting.

We hope you all have a happy and safe weekend.

Thank you,

*Mr M Cahill*  
*Headteacher*

