



Dear Families of Swillington Primary School,

Thank you

Thank you for all your support this week. Parents isolating etc have been great at ensuring their child's learning continues. Thank you to Tiger Class Parents for helping us yesterday with a difficult situation. Our Chair of Governors visited yesterday and was really impressed by your children and their eagerness to learn. 'I was once again extremely impressed with both our pupils and parents due to what I had heard'. (Quote).

Children In Need

So far we have raised a fantastic £184, this will go to a great charity that helps other charities all around the UK.

Bubbles

Just to clarify, some of our staff work across two classes at the moment. This supports teaching and learning and also helps us if we have any staff absences. Staff that work across two different bubbles adhere to the COVID secure measures we have in school, e.g. not being in contact with a pupil for longer than 15 minutes and less than a 2 metre distance.

Scholastic Book Fair

Next week, our book fair will be coming to school. Children will get the chance to visit in their class bubbles. Please send them in with the necessary money in a named envelope. Unfortunately, we will not be able to allow parents to visit the fair so please take a look at the brochure (Dojo). If you would like anything extra purchasing, (Christmas presents etc) then please send your child into school with a list and money.

Lexia - 2 month trial

The government are issuing schools with catch up funding. We are intending on using some of this to purchase a reading intervention programme. This can also be accessed at home if you have internet access and a computer/tablet. Teachers will advise you of log in details if your child has been targeted for this reading intervention.

Our Christmas Shop

<https://swillingtonprimary.com/community/the-christmas-shop/>

This will go live in a couple of weeks on our website, if any parents would like a virtual stall on this page please let us know. It will cost £10 to advertise your products for sale. P@SS will have a number of items for sale. office@swillingtonprimary.com



Swimming

We have been informed this week that swimming may be able to start week commencing 23rd November. This would be for Penguin and Turtle class. We will confirm further details with parents of the classes next week.

Attendance

Thank you for following our procedures for attendance. We understand that some pupils are isolating, remember to call the office if your child is absent. This week our attendance was 98%, this is slightly better than last week.

Whole school attendance from September to November 11th= 96.5%

Christmas Performance 2020

We are really excited to announce that this year we will have a virtual performance. Every class will be included. The live performance will take place in the last week of this half term over Google Meet and we will offer a morning and an afternoon time on Thursday 17th December. Penguin class will be acting from the main hall, then every other class will have a song/dance included in the performance. This style of performance will ensure we can comply with our COVID secure measures.

Staggered start/finish times- Autumn 2

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

A-G to arrive at **8.40-8.50** Leave at **3.00-3.10**

H-N to arrive at **8.50-9.00** Leave at **3.10-3.20**

O-Z to arrive at **9.00-9.10** Leave at **3.20-3.30**

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

