



Friday 12th November,

Dear Families of Swillington Primary School,

Thank you all for this week.

In Monday's assembly, we were learning about prejudice and not judging people without knowing them.

### **Phonics parent open classroom**

As a follow up to our Read Write Inc meeting, we would like to invite Polar Bear, Snow Leopard, Tiger and Elephant's parents into school on Tuesday 30th November 9.00 - 10.00 to watch your child's phonic session. This will be a great opportunity for you to see the strategies and vocabulary used in a phonics session so you can use the same at home.

### **Use of DOJO**

Please remember that our team are at school throughout the day and will need to spend time with their families on evenings and weekends. You may not get an immediate response to messages you send.

### **Christmas Performances**

We are really proud to announce that this year our Southern Hemisphere (KS2) Christmas Performance will be 'Home For Christmas'. Taking the theme of 'No room at the inn', but with a modern twist of homelessness. Any proceeds raised from drinks/donations will go to the Homeless Street Angels Leeds. Our Northern Hemisphere (KS1) will be performing a traditional play.

### **Selection Box Donations**

We are supporting the Santa walk around the village. If you can donate a selection box, please bring them into school and we will ensure the team get them.

### **Parents evening**

As advertised, parents evening will take place on Wednesday 17th November, in person in your child's classroom. Access will be from their external door. School will close from 2pm. Booking availability will open on Monday. If you would prefer a phone call update, please let the class teacher know.

### 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](mailto:office@swillingtonprimary.com)

### Children In Need Dress Down

This will take place on Friday 19th November. Thank you.

### 3rd December

Dress down and bring a tombola gift for the Christmas Fair. There is no set donation- we kindly ask for any contributions. The tombola gifts can vary from cosmetics to chocolates. Thank you.

### 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 96.2%

**This week, our whole school attendance has been 96.2%. 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.

Uniform expectations

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.**

### Contacting school regarding COVID

As you are aware, track and trace are now taking on the role of alerting close contacts. 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 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*

