

Savile Park Primary School

July 2017 Newsletter



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As a successful and highly rewarding year draws to a close at Savile Park Primary, I certainly think that everyone deserves a well-earned and relaxing summer break. I would also like to thank you all for making me feel so welcome and providing such wonderful support during my first year of headship at Savile Park.

For those children who are leaving, I wish them all the luck and success in their future education and beyond! I know they will keep true to what we believe in here at school, continue to be successful in all that they do and open their minds to what the world has to offer. I wish them all the very best for the future and I hope that they will keep in touch.

Staff Leavers



The following staff will be leaving us at the end of the summer term:

- Mrs Ahmed
- Miss Stephanie Bell
- Mrs Cowan
- Mrs Linford
- Mr Mawby
- Mrs Wilby

We would like to thank them all for their hard work during their time at Savile Park and wish them every success for the future.

End of Year Celebration Parties

On Thursday 20th July all the children will be having class parties to celebrate all their successes this year. The children can bring their celebration clothes to change into ready for the party. Please ensure that your child still continues to wear sensible footwear. Any food donations for the class parties would be greatly appreciated on the day.



Results of Parental Questionnaire

Thank you to all the parents who returned the parental questionnaire and shared their views about school. It was extremely pleasing to have such positive outcomes and comments.

My child is happy at school	97%
My child feels safe at school	97%
My child makes good progress at school	89%
The school expects my child to work hard and do their best	98%
My child is well looked after at school	94%
My child receives appropriate home learning opportunities	89%
The school ensures children are well behaved	92%
The school deals effectively with bullying	76%
The school is well led and managed	84%
I am kept up-to-date & informed about what is going on in school	89%
I would fee; comfortable approaching the school with questions or a problem	98%
I receive valuable information about my child's progress	84%
I have opportunities to talk to the staff about my child	95%
I know the role of the Governing Body and how they support school	68%
I would recommend school to another parent	95%
I am always made to feel welcome at Savile Park	97%

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Report Slips

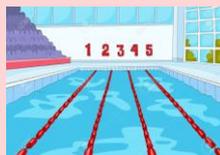
By now you should have received your child's annual report. Please could you return the parental acknowledgment / comment slip before Monday 17th July. Thank you.



Y4 & Y5 Swimming Lessons

Parents of current Year 3 & 4 children should have received a letter advising them about the swimming arrangements for next year. In September Y4 will be going swimming on Tuesdays. These lessons will start on Tuesday 12th September.

Year 5 lessons will be on Wednesday mornings, starting on Wednesday 6th September (the first day back after the summer break).



Health Week & Sports Days

Our Health Week, during the week of July 3rd, was frantic but enjoyable, despite the slightly inclement weather.

KS1 Sports Days went well with a series of enjoyable events around the playground. KS2 took part in a series of hotly contested races and other competitive events on the moor. The children gained a lot from taking part in different activities with Mr Piper, and this will feed into planning for next year. Thanks go to Mr Piper and Miss Sutherland who worked tirelessly to lead the sporting events all week.

At the end of the week we were visited by Andy Wheels who talked to the children about keeping our hearts healthy and about wheelchair sport. The children took part in a wheelchair race to the shops and this gave them an insight into disability through a fun task.

On Friday we had 2 visiting specialists – Skippy John and Yvonne Richardson. Skippy John worked with lower KS2 and KS1 to introduce and develop basic skipping skills. He bounced and bounced all day!

Mrs Richardson introduced a series of new moves to the lower KS2 pupils through Tai Chi. All the children said they enjoyed the activity, especially those children who might not be good at traditional sports.

Health week was so successful that bookings have already been made for 2018!

Year 6 Celebrations



A reminder that we will be holding a special celebratory presentation evening, just for Year 6 and their parents. This will take place on Tuesday 18th July at 6:00pm at Moorfield. Invites for this exciting event have now been sent out. Y6 will also be going bowling to the Electric Bowl on Wednesday 19th July at 1.30pm until 2.30pm.

New Uniform Supplier

Please note that we are no longer selling uniform in school. However, we do have limited supplies left so if you require anything please see Miss Bradley as soon as possible.

To buy your child's uniform you will need to go to:

Shaw Hardcastle
3 The Arcade
Halifax

We are assured that they will have plenty of stock available from the end of July.

Non-Prescribed Medicines

Just a reminder that any medication brought into school must have been prescribed by a doctor. The relevant forms, which can be obtained from the school office on either site, must be completed before any medication can be administered.



Outstanding Monies

Just a reminder to those parents who still owe the school money in relation to trips, dinner money etc that it would be appreciated if you can settle any outstanding amounts via School Money as soon as possible. Thank you.

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Summer Fayre – 5th July

Fortunately the sun decided to shine on everyone attending the Summer Fayre. It was great to see so many families from both sites come together at Moorfield and enjoy the wide range of games, activities, stalls and the fire engine. Thank you to everyone for your support and we managed to raise a grand total of £720 after expenses.



100% Attendance



Massive congratulations to the following children who have a 100% attendance record for the whole school year 2016-2017. Well done to you all. This is a fantastic achievement!

Edward Thirkell
Ava Lindley
Raees Ahmed
Sara Shekar
Leya Johnson
Jannah Johnson

Noel Barnett
Ella Woodworth
Poppy Blakey-Power
Kamissa Kouadio
Mohammad Subhan
Sahil Qureshi

Farhan Akhtar
Umama Ahmed
Shaun Whippey
Ruby Loughran
Warren Wilkinson
Zaemah Wasim

Muhammad Zubayr
Uzair Khawar
Haadiyah Chishty
Sabah Basharat
Esah Nawaz
Aminah Ahmed

Dates for your Diary

Monday 17th July – Spelling Bee Competition

Tuesday 18th July – Y6 Celebratory Evening

Wednesday 19th July – Whole School Picnic Lunch on the Moor

Wednesday 19th July – Y6 Bowling at the Electric Bowl in Halifax

Thursday 20th July – Whole School Celebration Assembly at Heath (10:00am)

Thursday 20th July – Class Parties

Friday 21st July – School Closes for summer

Wednesday 6th September – School Opens

Wednesday 6th September – Y5 Swimming Lessons start

Tuesday 12th September – Y4 Swimming Lessons start

Friday 27th October – School Closes for Half Term

Monday 6th November – School Opens

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Class Trips

The Artworks

Year 4 children visited the Artworks Gallery on 12th June to see 'The Bulging Portfolio of Quentin Blake Exhibition' to use observational drawing to sketch. Back at school, the children used watercolour paints to paint some fantastic sketches.



Forest Schools

Reception have had a brilliant opportunity this half term to take part in Forest Schools. This is a learning incentive which takes place outside the classroom. The children have been having weekly sessions in Copley Woods with the charity 'Tinderwood Trust'. In the woods the children have been developing their independent skills, finding bugs and mini beasts, classifying trees, den building, playing games and learning how to stay safe in the woods environment. The children across both sites have thoroughly loved the experience and it has been a perfect opportunity to take the learning outside the classroom and develop skills. We were very lucky to have this project provided to us free of charge through the National Lottery Heritage funding project.

Skipton Castle

Class 4 visited Skipton Castle on 22nd June as part of the history topic on 'The Normans'. A guide showed the children around the castle and the children learned so much about castles.



Lightwater Valley

Once again Rotary took some of our hard working and resilient children to Lightwater Valley. We all had an absolutely fantastic day (including the adults). We managed to go on lots of rides and the confidence of the children sky rocketed as the day went on. New friendships were developed throughout the day through a mutual fear of big rides, or through supporting each other to be confident and try new things.



Y2 Bearder Festival

On Tuesday 4 July 5 children from Year 2 attended the annual Bearder Poetry Festival. This year it was held at the Halifax Minster. The children spent all day with the Bradford born poet Nick Toczek. They worked together to create group poems, used their imaginations to create poems of their own and listened to performance poetry. Nick Toczek is a fantastic, funny poet known mainly for his children's poetry. One of his poems, 'The Dragon Who Ate Our School', is used on the BBC bitesize website. They were all extremely well behaved and were a credit to the school.

