

New Headteacher—in case you didn't get the news last week

The governors of Savile Park Primary are an amazing band of people – they care deeply about our school and every single one of the children here. They will only accept the best for them. Last week, they interviewed for a new headteacher. It would have been a lot easier for them to accept one of the candidates and let them be headteacher but, no, our governors said that they really wanted a wider field than the one they attracted, they just didn't feel that they had just the right person to take Savile Park forward and they didn't appoint and they decided to re-advertise the post. It is a very honourable decision and should give you SO much confidence that they will get the future absolutely right.

Early next week a new advert will be posted. The governors have looked at finances again and decided to raise the salary scale for the new headteacher: this should attract more people, perhaps the deputy of a big school or the head of a small school who is looking for promotion and now it will be financially worthwhile. There is still time to get a headteacher in post before September.

I need to be absolutely clear about one thing and I need to squash malicious rumours now – **our school will not be taken over by another local school.** Savile Park Primary is an outstanding school, we have an outstanding staff, structures are in place and there are definitely **NO** plans for another school/headteacher to come here and impose themselves on us. Please take my word on this. The governors just want to make the right decision and won't be rushed or panicked into it and that is a marvellous thing.

I hope that in just over another month I will be able to announce the new head. Thank you for your patience. In the meantime, please come and talk to me if you are worried – you know you can. And please tell me of any more rumours; I will not have my families worried and the community unsettled by those who just want to cause mischief.



Parking

We're sorry to keep nagging, but please can parents and visitors to Heath make sure that they park in the wonderful bottom car park **NOT** opposite the front gate in Charnock Close. Unfortunately, this has happened and the residents have spoken to me about it. We really need to live in harmony with those in the local community.

Early SATs

Thank you, and well done, to our Year 2 class and Miss Adams. Our Year 2 children have done their bit to help make sure that the new tests are fair by taking them a month early. They have been marked and sent off to the Standards and Assessment Agency to make sure that everything is ok. They worked really hard for this and have done very well. We are proud of you all.

Dates for your diary



Please can you make a note of these dates—we like to keep you informed as soon as possible. There may be some changes which are unavoidable and, most certainly, there will be new activities added: please keep an eye out for letters in your child 's book bag.

04.05.16	Class 4 trip to Leeds City Centre
06.05.16	Chicks go back to farm
09.05.16	SATs week—Year 6, please ensure that you are in school.
9.5.16	Teddy Takes a Tumble—road safety for Year 1@H
10.05.16	Reception @Heath to Ogden Water
10.5.16	Year 4 visit to the mosque
12.05.16	Reception @Moorfield to Ogden Water
12.5.16	Teddy Takes a Tumble. Road safety for Y1@M
15.05.16	Bake Sale in the afternoon @ both sites.
16.5.16	Eye tests for Reception children
16.05.16	Arts Week starts
18.05.16	Open afternoon for Reception parents
24.05.16	Talent Show
25.05.16	Robinwood Year 6
27.05.16	Art day with visiting artist & School breaks up for half term
06.06.16	Return to school
6.6.16	Blackpool Zoo bringing animals for Year 1
14.06.16	Reception @Heath Yorkshire Wildlife Park
14.06.16	Lego Day
15.06.16	Reception @Moorfield Yorkshire Wildlife Park
16.6.16	Music and art evening extravaganza
22.6.16	Class 4 trip to Skipton Castle (NB revised date)
24.6.16	10 Y6 children > Calderdale Book Event
28.06.16	Class photographs both sites
05.07.16	SATs Results
7.7.16	School closed for training day
7.7.16	Eid—have a lovely time if you are celebrating.
8.7.16	Transition day—Y6 > high schools
11.7.16	Meet your new teacher day—classes move up to new teacher for the day
11.07.16	Parent Consultation Evening
13.07.16	Reception and Year 1 @Heath to Jerusalem Farm
15.07.16	Summer Fair
19.07.16	Spelling Bee
21.07.16	Leaver's Party @Electric Bowl
22.07.16	Leaver's Assembly and Awards Ceremony