



Savile Park Primary School



OCTOBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

We are on the web: savileparkprimary.org.uk – Facebook: Savile Park Primary School - Moorfield and Heath. Please check out our photos.



We would just like to thank you for all the continued communication in keeping school informed of your Covid situations, as this is vital in ensuring the safety of all the children and staff.

Please continue to keep school well informed if your situation changes. If you are unsure about what information school requires please do not hesitate to get in touch with the office staff.

We just wanted to remind parents and carers of the rules surrounding Covid should you or your child display symptoms.

Coronavirus symptoms are:

- A new persistent cough**
- A temperature of 37.8 or higher**
- Loss of sense of taste**
- Loss of sense of smell**

In addition, please find attached a Coronavirus flowchart for parents and carers - what to do if your child displays symptoms. Double click on the yellow triangle to open the document, which will open as an Acrobat document on the bottom of your screen flashing orange.

CLICK HERE



COVID-19 guide for families v1.1 1st Oct

School Communication

We are trying to reduce the amount of paperwork going backwards and forwards to school and a large majority of this is asking for permission slips for various trips and events.

We are currently piloting a new software package on the Teacher2parents App called "Forms" which enables you to give your permission electronically.

The feedback we have had so far is that it is easy, quick and instant.

No more lost letters, no more lost permissions slips.

We have recently sent out the Media permission letter this way and have had a fabulous response. If you have not already been on to the App, please do so and complete the Media permissions slip.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Healthy Packed Lunches

We encourage all our children to have a healthy balanced diet which includes children who bring their own lunches.

If you would like more ideas for healthy options for your child's lunch box please visit the NHS website www.nhs.uk/change4life



School Trips

Despite the current restrictions, school is still able to offer school trips by keeping bubbles separate, abiding by Government guidelines and adhering to a strict risk assessment which is being constantly updated in school.

Year 5 are going to the Forbidden Corner.

Kestrels will be going on 21 October and Falcons on the 22 October

Year 6 are having a field trip to Black Brook in West Vale. Eagles

will be going on the 20 October in the morning and Hawks in the afternoon.

Year 1 will be visiting Manor Heath park as part of their Geography studies. The day of this trip will fluid and dependent on the weather.



Virtual Learning

Unfortunately, it wasn't the best of starts for Hawks and Toucans as those bubbles had to close for 2 weeks! However, school was able to positively react to the situation with remote learning provision. Parents were provided with pictorial information documents regarding how to access a shared blog on which work was posted daily, as well as how to access Microsoft teams on which virtual daily tutorials took place. Pupils in the closed bubbles were provided with the opportunity to complete daily learning activities across a broad range of subjects, including Maths and English every day, covering the same learning opportunities as their year 3 and 6 counterparts at the Moorfield site which ensured curriculum provision continued at home.

The pupils had the opportunity to submit their work using the blog or dedicated homework email. Feedback to the work submitted was then given. The learning opportunities were followed up throughout the time the pupils were not in school with real time small group online video tutorials with their regular teaching staff. After initial technical issues, none of which were insurmountable, these provided the pupils with the opportunity to discuss their learning and ask relevant questions about the work set.

School has been able to continue a good amount of this provision for individual pupils who have had to self-isolate. However, as their teachers are in school with the rest of their class, the video tutorials have not been able to continue.

Within school, all classes have been learning to access the necessary learning platforms, just in case they too have to either self-isolate or their bubble shuts down.

Thank-you to those parents of pupils in the closed bubbles for their help during those difficult couple of weeks and for their positive feedback regarding school's response. This feedback allows us to believe that school is in a strong position to continue to provide a high quality education service should other bubbles or the school have to temporarily close due to the Covid situation.

THE HALIFAX COMMUNITY FRIDGE



Each year in the UK we throw away nearly 15 million tonnes of food and drink. Nearly half of this is perfectly good to eat!

The Halifax Community Fridge is open daily from 12.00 pm - 3.00 pm enabling residents and businesses to share surplus food and for anyone to help themselves to quality food that would otherwise be wasted. Unlike food banks the Halifax Community Fridge is not means-tested – it is available to anyone. It is also discreetly situated, outside Madni Mosque, 117-131 Gibbet Street, HX1 5LE and mostly unstaffed, to avoid any stigma its users may otherwise feel.

We are hoping to help this worthwhile cause by asking for your help in providing non perishable dried or tinned food. We would appreciate it if you could send items to school on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday next week.

For their efforts the children will be able to dress down on Friday 23 October.

Thank you in anticipation

