



Savile Park Primary School

November 2023 Newsletter



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I hope everyone had a lovely half term break and managed to spend some time relaxing with family and friends. As always, we have many exciting things planned for the rest of this half term, including our annual Winter Fayre.

Some great news to share, our amazing Hawks and Eagles classes (year 6) have come third in the 'Reading Plus Autumn Start Up Challenge', winning a £100 Amazon voucher for school. Over 70 other schools took part, we are all immensely proud of them and all their hard work.

Anti-Bullying Week 2023:

Make A Noise About Bullying

This year Anti-Bullying Week has the theme 'Make A Noise About Bullying' and will take place from Monday 13 to Friday 17 November. The week will be kicked off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 13 November, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

In school, we will be taking part in assemblies and working alongside other classes to raise awareness to make a noise and stop bullying.

Children can wear odd socks if they choose to and no contribution is required.



Children in Need

Friday 17 November



Once again we will be showing our support for Pudsey Bear by having a **non-uniform day on Friday 17 November**.

Donations collected will be sent to the BBC Children in Need appeal. The children have been discussing why we contribute to this event, who benefits and why charities are important.

Parents' Evening

Wednesday 15 November



Parents' Evening will again be face to face. As usual you will be able to book your slot on line.

The booking window is now open and closes at 12 noon on Monday 13 November.

If not already booked please do so.

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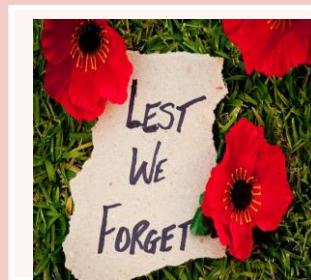
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Remembrance Day 2024

Mr Kitchen will lead assemblies at both sites on Friday 10 November helping the children understand the importance of peace and remembrance.

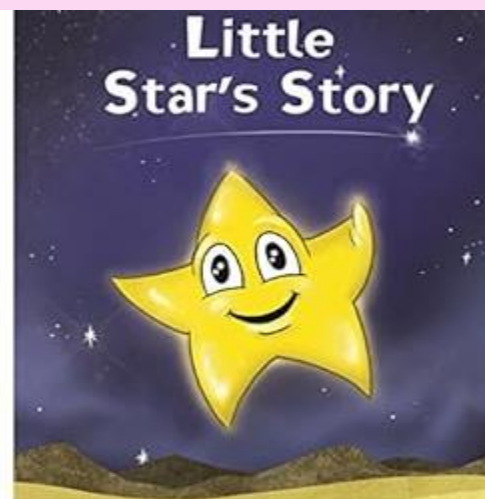
The children are encouraged to think about those who protect us and keep us safe.

Merchandise to raise funds for the Royal British Legion's annual 'Poppy Appeal' is on sale now to purchase from the school offices.



KS1 Christmas Performance

Wednesday 20 December



We have decided that our Christmas Performance this year for Reception and Key Stage 1 classes will be "Little Star's Story".

We will shortly be starting to practice and I am sure you will soon get to learn some of the songs! We will be holding performances in the hall at the Heath site and we are very excited that we can invite parents and carers to come and see our very special performance.

There will be two performances on Wednesday 20 December. The first one will be at 10.00 am and the second one at 2.30 pm.

Further details to follow. Watch this space!

Family Learning Workshops



We are continuing to run the very popular family learning workshops. We have a number of workshops booked over the next several months and details will be published nearer the time, please keep a look out, as places are limited and are very popular.

Thursday 16 November

Family Learning Workshop for Year 1 - Toys

Thursday 23 November

Family Learning Workshop for Reception children based on the book "Goldilocks"

Health and Safety

In order to ensure everyone's safety please can we remind you that children in years 4 and below should not be left in the playground before the start of the school day. If you need to drop your child off earlier than 08:45 we do have places in our breakfast club provision, Early Birds.

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Intake 2024

Open Day Wednesday 29 November



Is your child due to start Reception in September 2024?

We have an open day event booked for Wednesday 29 November at the following times:

9.15 am - 10.15 am

1.15 pm - 2.15 pm

5.00 pm - 6.00 pm

We hope we can see as many of you as we can.
Please register your interest with our school office via telephone on 01422352844 or email office@savilepark.calderdale.sch.uk.

Year 1 - Manor Heath Park Visit

Year 1 had an amazing time at Manor Heath Park! Linked to our Science and Geography topics, we used navigational skills and followed a map to get there. Once we arrived, we looked out for signs of Autumn, such as fallen leaves, conkers and acorns. Inspired by Andy Goldsworthy, we then collected natural objects to make a sculpture back at school. Watch out for those pictures!



Attendance Monitoring

As always, we want to encourage and support you in your effort to ensure your child attends school. We understand that children can become unwell at times and this can affect your child's attendance.

Calderdale Council monitor school's attendance data and are keen for our attendance to be above the national average. Geraldine Sharratt, Savile Park's Educational Welfare Officer (EWO), works closely with Miss Bradley in identifying and contacting those families whose child's attendance is below 94%.

Please note the following procedures:

- Attendance below 94% - initial letter for your information.
- Attendance below 90% - letter of concern.
- Attendance below 89% - is classified as persistent absentee (PA Pupil) which may result in an official meeting between, parent/carer, school and the EWO.

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Please note unauthorised/extended leave ie holidays of 15 days or more now incur a Court Summons.

The Courts' Summons is served by The Education Welfare Service, who has direct access to our attendance data.

Wear it Pink!

Our dressing in pink day, for cancer research and awareness raised a fantastic £343.22. Well done to everyone.

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Staffing Update

Miss Brown (Kookaburras) class teacher, has secured a new teaching position in another school. This has resulted in the need to make some changes to our teaching team.

Mr Smith and Mr Sutcliffe will be teaching Kookaburras and Mrs Collins and Mr Sutcliffe will be teaching Toucans.

It has been lovely to see how well both classes have settled into their new routines this week.

School Uniform



We would kindly request that all uniform is named with a permanent marker so we can return any lost property. Any unclaimed lost property will be given to the YMCA at the end of each term. You are quite welcome to come and have a look for any unclaimed items before this time.

Robinwood 2023

Wow, what an amazing start to our year in Year 6 for Hawks and Eagles! We are so proud of all the pupils for their resilience, bravery, positivity and independence during our residential visit to Robinwood. Pupils experienced a range of challenging activities such as: caving, canoeing, the giant swing, piranha pool nightline, raft building, zip wire, trapeze, archery and many more. They also worked together successfully to complete lots of team challenges such as: quest, crate challenge, the dungeon and lots of other team challenges like quizzes during the evening. Absolutely everyone fully immersed themselves into every part of the 3 days and gained such important life skills about friendships, being independent and considerate of others. We cannot wait to see pupils showing their new found maturity, perseverance and resilience during day-to-day life in Year 6. Robinwood = completed it!



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SEND Drop in Session

On Wednesday 15 November we are holding a SEND drop in session between 9.00 am - 10.00 am at the Moorfield site. Leanne Muir from the Calderdale ADHD family support group will be joining us to offer support to parents. Come along and meet with Mrs Collins and Mrs Dixon to discuss any questions you might have, as well as networking with other parents at school.

We look forward to seeing you there.

DECEMBER

Friday 1	Non-uniform day in support of the Winter Fayre
Monday 4	Rocksteady performance for parents at Moorfield at 2.45 pm
Tuesday 5	Singing club children singing outside the Thoughtful Book Shop in Savile Park at 3.30 pm
Thursday 7	Rocksteady performance for parents at Heath at 9.00 am
Wednesday 13	Winter Fayre 3.30 pm - 4.45 pm at Heath
Wednesday 20	KS1 Performance 10.00 am and 2.30 pm at Heath
Thursday 21	Child of the term assemblies
Friday 22	Winter/Christmas jumper day and Reindeer Run in aid of Overgate Hospice End of term

JANUARY

Monday 8	School re-opens
Thursday 11	Matt Abbott (Poet) working with Year 6
Monday 15	Science Week
Tuesday 16	Year 3 visit to Cliffe Castle
Wednesday 17	Autumn term house point treat Year 2 Family Workshop
Wednesday 24	EYFS Writing Workshop for parents
Thursday 25	Year 3 Family Workshop