Savile Town CE(C) Infant and Nursery School

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Dear Parents and Friends

As the weather turns cooler, please send your child to school in a warm coat and sensible shoes. If there is a slight puddle, children will seek it out to stomp through it!

IMPORTANT!
We have several children in school with severe allergies. Please do not send your children into school with any sweets, nuts or food as this may be dangerous for some children. If you want to bring something for the class to celebrate your child's birthday, please ensure it is in sealed packets and we will pass them out at the end of the day. Please do not send in cakes, muffins etc.



Spare clothes
If you have any spare clothes that you no longer need for your children, please bring them into school. If you need anything please message me, or the school office and we will sort clothing for you. We hope you will find this useful.



Year 2/ Nursery
The online applications for those children in Nursery and will be due to start Reception in September 2027 is now open. This is also the same for the children in Year 2 who will be leaving us in July 2027. You need to apply online through the Kirklees parent portal. Please complete these as soon as possible so your child gets a place in the school you wish them to attend. The closing date for doing so is 15th January 2027. If you need some help please come to the school office.



Nursery
We have places available in our Nursery. If you would like your child to start please pop into the office for an application form, bringing along your child's birth certificate.



Attendance
You may have heard on the news about the changes to Government guidance on attendance in school. Attendance and punctuality are closely monitored and we have to report back about children with low attendance/ poor punctuality.

If your child is ill, you must phone school on the morning before 9am to inform us of the absence and the illness your child has. If you don't contact us, then we have to do a home visit to see your child.

In addition, it is expected that holidays are only taken during school holiday time. If you take leave in term time you need to collect a form from the office and arrange a meeting with myself, Mrs Douglas. If your child is in Nursery they could lose their place. For children aged 5 and above, any absence of 5 days or more will lead to a fine of **£80** per parent of each child of school age. This is paid directly to the Local Authority.



On time

Please remember to come to school on time and to collect your children on time at the end of the day. **School begins at 8.45am and ends at 3.15pm.** If you are part time it is **8.45 – 11.45am.** We give a trophy out daily for the classes where all the children are here, and another trophy for those on time. Please help your children to get the trophy for their class. Also please remember that staff have meetings after school and collecting your child late often means that staff are late to courses etc.



Medical Appointments.

If you have a medical appointment for your child, please come to the office with a copy of the letter or show the text on your phone. We have to record the appointments on our attendance records for your child.



School Milk

If your child is over 5 years old and you would like your child to have milk, then you need to register with www.coolmilk.com. The cost of this is subsidised at a cost of around £18 per term.

If you need any help then you can contact the Customer Service Team on 0800 321 3248, or via email at registrations@coolmilk.com.



Free School Meals

Your child may be eligible for Free School meals and the holiday food vouchers if you are in receipt of any of the following;

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

You need to apply online with the DFE 'applying for free school meals'. Each child who is in receipt of this funding means that school receives £1,455. This means we can buy more resources, provide additional support in classes and have outside providers come into school to support your child's learning.

PE

Please remember that your child needs their PE kit in school on their PE day. If your child wears ear rings please make sure that they take them out on PE days.



Diary

The holiday dates for the year are;

Half Term	Wednesday 21st October school closes and we re-open on Monday 2nd November
Christmas	Friday 18th December school closes and we re-open on Monday 4th January.
Half term	Friday 12th February school closes and we re-open on Monday 22nd February.
Easter	Thursday 25th March schools closes and we re-open on Monday 12th April
Half term	Thursday 27th May school closes and we reopen on Monday 7th June
Summer holidays	Tuesday 20th July school closes.

If you have any questions about anything please pop in at any time for a chat.

Thank you for supporting us.
Mrs Douglas