

Savile Town CE(C) Infant and Nursery School

Website:www.saviletown.co.uk

September 2024

Dear Parents and Friends

Welcome back after the holidays. I hope that you had a lovely summer and enjoyed time with your children.

The children have settled into their new classes really well, even though they were very quiet on the first morning. They have been doing very well eating in the hall and adapting to new routines.



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.

Year 2/ Nursery

The online applications for those children in Nursery and will be due to start Reception in September 2025 are now open. This is also the case for the children in Year 2 who will be leaving us in July 2025. 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. If you need some help please come and see Razina in the office.

Nursery

We have places available in our 2 and 3 year old 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.

Free School Meals

Your child may be eligible for Free School meals and the holiday food vouchers that have been provided each holiday so far, 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 £1,385. 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.



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.



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 £60 per parent of each child of school age. This is paid directly to the Local Authority.



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.



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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 23 rd October school closes and we re-open on Monday 4 th November
Christmas	Friday 20 th December school closes and we re-open on Monday 6 th January.
Half term	Friday14th February school closes and we re-open on Monday 24th February.
Easter	Friday 4 th April schools closes and we re-open on Tuesday 22 nd April
Half term	Friday 23rd May school closes and we reopen on Monday 2 nd June
Summer holidays	Friday 18 th July school closes.

Thank you for supporting us. Mrs Douglas