

Mr Whitehead's News



Tuesday 7th June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you have all had a fantastic half term holiday. Although we haven't had the best of weather, I hope the time off gave your children the chance to rest and relax, ahead of a busy half term in the lead up to the summer holidays. Please find below some important information which I hope you will find useful.

Congratulations to Miss Garnett

Many congratulations to Miss Garnett (Reception Leader of Learning) who gave birth to a healthy baby boy during the half term holiday. We hear that mother and baby are doing well.

FOSPS Meeting

The next FOSPS meeting will take place next Tuesday 14th June at 6:30pm in the Salt Hall (Key Stage 1). Note that this meeting has been rearranged from this evening. We welcome all parents and carers to attend to discuss and share in the planning of future fundraising activities.

Class Photographs

Class photographs will take place this Thursday 9th June. Please can children come in their school uniform and not PE kit if it is their PE day. Ordering will be online and a separate email will be sent out with details of how to order.

Reception - Donation of teddies

If you have any small teddies in good condition that you no longer need we would appreciate them to give as welcome gifts for our new Reception children. A box will be placed outside the office from Monday 13th June for you to place any donated teddies in.



Young Voices visit to care home

The Young Voices children spent a lovely afternoon singing to the residents of Fairmount care home today. We hope the residents enjoyed the children's singing as much as they enjoyed taking part in the Young Voices rehearsals and concerts. Thank you to the Young Voices choir for sharing their fantastic songs with our important neighbours.



STEM Careers Week - 20th - 24th June

During the week of 20th June, we will be exploring careers with a range of STEM experts - Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. Children from all year groups will take part in a variety of workshops and enjoy a range of exciting activities. Children are also invited to come to school on Friday 24th June dressed as their future selves - wearing something which represents the career or job they'd like to do when they grow up.

Saltire Primary School
- OUR LEARNING JOURNEY -

STEM Careers Week

20-24 June

Just imagine...

Workshops with experts

- Midwifery
- Forensics
- Finance
- Construction
- Joinery
- Transport
- Engineering
- Horticulture
- Cyber Security
- Anglo Saxon and Stone Age Workshops
- And more!

Immersive lessons through sound, story and movement

Whizz, Pop, Bang Assembly

Playground design maths challenge

Friday 24th June: Come dressed as your future self

'If I wasn't a teacher I'd be...' Competition

New classes and Meet the Teacher sessions

I will be sending a letter out next week with details of your child's class teachers in September. We will also be holding 'Meet the Teacher' sessions during the week commencing 20th June. This will be an opportunity for you to meet your new teachers, hear about the next year group and see their new classrooms. There will be two sessions for each year group at 3.45pm and 4.15pm and sessions will take place in one of the year group classrooms. The dates of the sessions can be found below:

Tuesday 21st June 3:45pm & 4:15pm	Wednesday 22nd June 3:45pm & 4:15pm	Thursday 23rd June 3:45pm & 4:15pm
Year 1	Year 5	Year 2
Year 3	Year 6	Year 4

Attendance and punctuality

As a school we are aware of the difficulties families have faced in the last few years, as a result attendance levels have been affected. We would like to work together to see a significant improvement in attendance in the next school year.

Going to school regularly is essential and it will help your child to develop social skills and confidence, prepare for adult life by getting used to a routine and help them to get better results in their school work.

At Saltaire Primary School, we can support you by making time to meet with you and talk through the problems that may be making it difficult for your child to attend. We can also put you in touch with other services if you need more advice and support. We hope to work together to ensure your child has improved attendance next year.

If you would like support in improving your child's attendance please call 01274 584093 or email siobhanbrook@saltaireps.co.uk to arrange a meeting with Siobhan Brook, Family Support Worker.

Above 97%: Less than 6 days absence a year

Excellent attendance! These young people will almost certainly get the best grades they can, leading to better prospects for the future. Pupils will also get into a habit of attending school which will help in the future.

95%: 10 days absence a year

These pupils are likely to achieve good grades and form a habit of attending school regularly. Pupils who take a 2 week holiday every year can only achieve 95% attendance.

90% and below: 19 days + absence a year

The Government classes Young People in this group as "Persistent Absentees", and it will be almost impossible to keep up with work. Parents of young people in this group could also face the possibility of legal action being taken by the Local Authority.

Dates for your diary for the summer term

Tuesday 7th June	Young Voices visit to care home
Thursday 9th June	Class photographs
20th-24th June	STEM week
Tuesday 21st June	Year 3 Stone Age workshop
	Meet the Teacher - Years 1 and 3
Wednesday 22nd June	Meet the Teacher - Years 5 and 6
	Year 4 Anglo-Saxon Workshop
Thursday 23rd June	Meet the Teacher - Years 2 and 4
Friday 24th June	'Come Dressed as Your Future Self' Day
Friday 1st July	Year 4 Assembly
Friday 8th July	Year 5 Assembly
Tuesday 19th July	Year 6 Graduation (5:00pm start)
Friday 22nd July 2022	School closes

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Headteacher

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