Saundersfoot Community Primary School



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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for your support this term, we head into our final week of the Spring term next week and it is a break all staff and pupils fully deserve, there have been a lot of tired faces and bodies this week!

The summer term will once again be affected due to some of the wider implication of COVID, one such aspect is that there will be no educational visits during this time, however, the school has several events and celebrations planned. We will keep them under review, and should restrictions allow we will write to you nearer the time.

Our aim is to maximise the time children spend in school this summer term, limiting any disruption to the school days/weeks. We know you may be tempted to take family holidays following such a challenging year but please consider this very carefully. We have worked hard as a school to maintain our education during lockdown, the summer term is only 13 weeks long and teachers will be unable to revisit any lost learning due to holidays. Thank you for understanding.

Lunch Time supervisors

If you yourself or you know anyone else who you feel would like to contribute to the school team and help volunteer as lunch time supervisor, please telephone Mrs Brace in the office. We would like some additional volunteer Lunch Time supervisors to assist with the numerous rotations of play and lunch. These roles could well develop into more permanent positions should budgets allow. This is a great way into working with children and we have several staff members who began their involvement in the school this way. Please call Mrs Brace if you are interested.

Summer Term Painting crews!!

I am sure you have noticed like ourselves, some parts of the school are beginning to look a little tired and any plans we have of addressing this have been affected by COVID. We would like to ask for some painting crews to be developed. Currently we are unable to do this due to COVID restriction, however, as soon as possible we would like to organise painting groups. The school will provide the paint so we would need parents and carers to provide any brushes and rollers. Due to Health and Safety, I must make it clear all painting needs to be completed from the floor- so we would need possible extensions to any rollers. The main projects to begin with are exterior school walls and sheds, however, we also have plans for fences and school corridors.

If you are interested in supporting the school in any way, whether this be time to paint, or equipment loan please telephone Mrs Brace in the office. All names given will be placed on a list and once, school are permitted we would like to begin the project.

Survey review and improve.

I am sure you are aware of the school's approach to education, we are regularly reviewing and developing our strategies. So, we would like parents and carers to review the school's Spring term education provision and suggest any improvements.

Within this survey, we are also sharing a school vision statement that reflects the revised curriculum for Wales. We welcome parent and carer's views on our draft vision statement, please understand the school will need to group responses into common themes, rather than include all individual views.

The final section of the survey looks to parents and carers for their ideas and possible involvement in the creation of the revised curriculum. Additional material has been on the school web site https://www.saundersfoot.pembrokeshire.sch.uk/home/curriculum-for-saundersfoot-and-wales/ should you wish to look into the curriculum. Please take a look and use this opportunity to comment upon the curriculum design for the current and future learners of Saundersfoot, Pembrokeshire and Wales.

Welsh Government operational guidance extract - Organised outdoor activities for children

Subject to the public health situation, organised outdoor activities for children will restart from 27 March. Attendance at such activities, which take place outside of the school day and often away from the school estate, is not a matter schools or settings would be expected to police. However, it is likely that attendance at such activities would increase the number of contacts children have. Schools and settings will need to be mindful of this in their communications with parents. As with circumstances where children attend both schools and childcare, if there is a suspected case of COVID-19 at any such organised activity that impacts that child and their contact group, settings must be informed and work together to identify contacts.

Finally, it is a big weekend this week for the 6 nations. Wales play France as they eye up a possible Grand slam, as we are not allowed to gather on mass, I am sure there will be plenty of enthusiasm and passion shown in the living rooms and homes of us all as we will hopefully cheer on Wales.

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