Saundersfoot Community Primary School



Headteacher: Mr N. Allen

5th September 2023

Dear parents and carers,

We hope you all enjoyed the Summer break, there were some beaming smiles this morning – mainly from parents and carers but definitely from the children too. It was lovely to see so many eager to return to school. Welcome back to you all.

Well, what a week to return to school, temperatures at 25 degrees plus and concerns about RAAC!! I think it is the first Autumn term that we have seen so much summer uniform in September! We will encourage the children to keep hydrated and limit 'football' type activities to the morning playtimes. In regard to RAAC, as I stated we do not anticipate any issues in school, should it be different I will inform you immediately.

Meet the teacher- Tuesday 12th September 4:30-5:30pm.

Next week we will be holding our usual meet the teacher evening. Teachers will be available to share some of the expectations throughout the year, explain the topics planned, key curriculum areas and homework principles for reading, timetables and topic work. For parents and carers of children in Year 2 to 6 some Welsh National Test material will be available for you to become familiar with and discuss with teachers. The Numeracy Procedural, Numeracy Reasoning and English Reading material are assessments completed at least once during the year by all children in Wales from Year 2 to Y9.

Universal Primary Free School Meals (UPFSM)

This project is part of the Co-operation Agreement between the Welsh Government and Plaid Cymru, which will see free school meals extended to all primary school pupils this year.

The Welsh Government have big ambitions for the provision of universal free school meals in Wales. It is a transformational intervention to

- · raise the profile of healthy eating across the whole school;
- · increase the range of food pupils eat,
- · improve social skills and wellbeing at meal times; and lead to improvements to behaviour and attainment;
- · In the future it will also impact on local food supply and support the economy of Wales.

So from the start of term schools in Pembrokeshire will roll out the Universal Free School Meals project. This means all children within primary schools will be entitled to a free school meal.

We are keen to ensure that all families access this plan should they wish to. Our school cook Tracy Fellows is keen to work with families to help ensure children enjoy a school meal.

In addition to the school meal offered as part of the School menu, a jacket Potato option is available and cold option sandwich of cheese, jam or tuna. All these option are part of the Universal Primary Free school Meal and can be ordered daily. All we ask it that orders are given at the beginning of the day via pupils or in our very youngest pupils case via class dojo.

Further details can be found following this link https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/school-meals/primary-schools-menu

Parking.

Thank you to everyone in helping to support the school and community in terms of parking. We all know and appreciate the challenges to parking in and around Saundersfoot. Please continue to park considerately and avoid parking/blocking driveways of local residents.

Although the Bus bay is not in use by a Greenhill bus, it still needs to be operational. We plan to use the bay when we can with a priority for child care operators and blue badge holders- this is very much a drop off and collect situation rather than parking. Our road crossing officer and Mr Allen will be monitoring the area, and will do their best to support those who require it as a priority, your support, patience and understanding will be greatly appreciated.

After School Club - ASC

Saundersfoot Playgroup and team successfully launched the After School club last year and this will be running once again this year.

<u>Days</u>: Mon, Wed, Thurs (Hoping to move to Tuesdays in the near future!)

Hours and rates:

Tea Club: 3.15 - 4.00 pm (with a snack) for £ 6 OR

Full Club 3.15 - 5.00 pm for £ 10

For children attending clubs in school: 4.15-5.00 pm £ 6

Sibling Discount: 2 or more children, 20% discount

<u>How to book + register</u>: email: <u>saundersfootasc@gmail.com</u>. It will be on a 'first-come' first-served' basis.

<u>Commitment + Billing</u>: Commitment is for the half-term, book at a minimum one week before the half term starts, payment to be made in full to the playgroup at the start of the term, any additional sessions will be billed at the end of the half term. If you do not book, we will <u>not</u> be able to guarantee a space.

<u>Pick-up Rules</u>: You can pick up your child at any time before the end of the session booked, in the same way as you would pick up from school. You will be charged for the time booked.

Autumn term dates are:

Tuesday 12th September – Meet the teacher Evening 4:30-5:30pm

Friday 27th October – Inset day - Design and Technology in the curriculum.

Half term – Monday 30th October- Friday 3rd November.

Friday 10th **November –** Tenby Cluster Inset day. **Change of date** as Greenhill have GCSE exams on previous date.

Christmas Events dates to follow.

Your Sincerely

Mr. Nick Allen