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Dear parents and carers,

We hope you all enjoyed the Summer break, it was lovely to return to school in September sunshine, probably the longest spell of good weather we have seen over the summer!!! It was lovely to see so many eager to return to school. Welcome back to you all.

Meet the teacher- Tuesday 17th September 4:30-5:30pm.

We will be holding our usual meet the teacher evening for Reception to Year 6. 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

Flu Vaccinations.

The Fluenz Nasal vaccinations run by the School Public Heath Team will be taking place in Friday 20th September. All paperwork to be returned to school by **Friday 6th September**, apologies over the quick turn around but it will all help the logistics of the vaccinations if the paperwork is returned on time. Thanks in advance.

Breakfast Club.

The school provides a free breakfast club for pupils who require it. Breakfast club gates are open from 7:50am until 8:25am- all pupils who wish to access this provision need to be in by this time.

Please avoid leaving children unattended before we open the gates as there is no supervision for them.

The staff of the Breakfast club do a fantastic job in providing breakfast for our pupils, setting up and clearing away of breakfast plates and cups all within a busy morning. Your support for them is greatly appreciated.

After School Club – ASC

Saundersfoot Playgroup and team successfully launched the after-school club offering last year and this will be running once again this year.

This term the after-school club extended their opening days from 3 to 5 days a week.

The hours and rates are as follows:

1. Tea Club: 3.15 - 4.15 pm (with a snack) for £7
2. Full Club 3.15 - 5.00 pm for £12
3. For children attending clubs in school: 4.15-5.00 pm £ 6

** 10% discount for siblings*

We need a minimum of 7 children each day to cover the cost of this service and we currently have spaces available on **TUESDAYS** and **FRIDAYS**. Should sign-ups not pick up on those days, the Playgroup may not be able to continue to offer the service past October half term. **Please email saundersfootasc@gmail.com** to inquire or sign up.

You may be eligible for some funding and can find out more using this link: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>.

The Saundersfoot After-School Club Team

Attendance.

Staff and Governors monitor attendance levels and we have always looked to communicate openly and honestly with parents. Over the winter period we fully understand winter illnesses spread and cause absence, however, when absence goes below 90% it has a significant impact on learning. Any absence above 15% could require the school to make a referral to the Pembrokeshire County Council Education Department for investigation. Please make every effort to maintain good levels of attendance.

Thank you for understanding.

School Meals.

This year will see an adjustment to the meals offered, in addition to the main meal offered a cold sandwich option is available Monday-Wednesday-Friday and a jacket Potato option will be available Tuesday-Thursday. Our school catering team of Tracy and Jodie do a fantastic job and will always work with pupils and families with their dietary needs. Should your child require any additional dietary needs Tracy will be able to help as long as we have medical information on the dietary need.

Further information and for the school meals options please follow the link:

<https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/school-meals/primary-schools-menu>

School Uniform.

Once again we would like to thank parents and carers for supporting the school uniform. It really is wonderful to see our pupils looking so smart in uniform- it is a long standing tradition of Saundersfoot to have strong support for its uniform and it is greatly appreciated.

Our Secondary feeder school Greenhill has begun this year with new aspects for its uniform, wearing our uniform not only promotes a sense of pride and belonging but also prepares them for the expectations pupils will face in their next stage of education. To this affect we

ask that parents and carers support the schools in regards to PE kit and school shoes/trainers.

The 'Nike Pro' shorts and similar ' Lycra shorts' are excellent for exercise and suitable to wear **under more loose fitting shorts**, they do not align with schools uniform policies. We kindly ask for your support in ensuring the PE attire is suitable for the varied PE activities we complete. Additionally, we would remind families that school shoes and trainers should be mostly black. Pupils are permitted to bring in trainers to wear during playtimes and change into their school shoes. Our pre loved School uniform shop has received some new stock so please pop in and introduce yourself to our new Admin Miss Harts who will help point you in the right direction. All items £1.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ironman Feed Station.

The FOSS team have been running the Ironman Feed station for over a decade now and really have got the arrangement down to an art. However, we once again require parental and pupil support to run the feed station. It is a great opportunity to get behind the scenes of this iconic Pembrokeshire event. To make the event a success we require teams to families to man the station, tasks vary from setting up the station, preparing snacks and drinks, handing out refreshments to athletes which include elite competitors and pack down the feed station approx. 11:30pm. Families can help for an hour or longer- but your help is needed!!!

If you would like to join in with this fabulous experience please speak to Mr Allen or Miss Lindsay Lewis and they will provide you with additional information.

Autumn term dates are:

Tuesday 17th September – Meet the teacher Evening 3:30-5pm

Friday 20th September – Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 23 October – Sibling and Individual photographs

Friday 25th October – Inset day - Design and Technology in the curriculum.

Half term – Monday 28th October- Friday 1st November.

Friday 15th November – Children in Need

Friday 13th December – Pantomime visit – Torch theatre

Friday 20th December - Last day of term

Monday 6th January – INSET Type coaching

Tuesday 7th January – Pupils return for academic year 2025

Your Sincerely

Mr. Nick Allen and Team Saundersfoot