



Keeping Everyone Safe

At Siddal Primary, the safety of all the pupils, staff and parent/carers is at the heart of everything we do. As a school we regularly practice our fire drill and the pupils are excellent at leaving the school quickly, quietly and calmly. On our last practice before half term, we completed the drill in under 2 and half minutes; impressive!

This demonstrates that our evacuation procedures work well and ensure that everyone in school stays safe.

School Lockdown

In Tuesday's whole school assembly this week, the pupils were reminded about Lockdown information and were demonstrated the 'invacuation' procedure. The pupils will be practicing our school 'lockdown' procedure in their own classes over the next week, before taking part in a whole school practice lockdown.

Lockdown procedures are practiced nationally amongst schools and are put into practice when:

- There is a reported incident/civil disturbance in the local community (with the potential to pose a risk to staff and pupils in the school)
- An intruder is on the school site (with the potential to pose a risk to staff and pupils)
- A warning being received regarding a risk locally, of air pollution (smoke plume, gas cloud etc)
- A major fire in the vicinity of the school
- The close proximity of a dangerous animal roaming loose.

See our 'Staying Safe at Siddal' notice board to find out more about other safety issues, such as crossing roads safely and knowing who to talk to if you have a worry or concern.

Please ask your child about these safety procedures and why not practice them at home.



Bad Weather

In the event of bad weather you will be notified of closure by text message. It will also be published on the school website. Please do not assume that if Park Lane is closed that we are closed.

Take care on the paths around school and ensure that your children have appropriate coats and footwear for snowy days.



Don't forget to keep looking at our Blog, it has lots of information and photographs about the exciting things happening at Siddal Primary School.

<http://siddalprimary.primaryblogger.co.uk/>

Getting a new mobile phone for Christmas?

Don't forget to update the school office with your up to date contact details and also your emergency contacts for family/friends.

Honours Awards 7.12.18

	Hard Worker	Special Pupil
Reception	Matilda Smith	Lucas Cummin
YEAR 1	Ashley Easton	Annabel O'Neill
YEAR 2- Dolphin	Cole Curry	Freddie Moore
YEAR 2- Snow Leopard	Matilda Brown	Olivia Edmonds
YEAR 3	Kian Grice	Amelia Hirst
YEAR 4	Jaiden Kaung	Misha Ahir
YEAR 5	Ananya Rajindrakumar	Ellie-Mae Whitehead
YEAR 6	Isabel Gorbutt	Shannon Leethomson

Whole School Attendance and Punctuality

Whole School Attendance: 96.1%

This is in line with the Government National average of 96%.

Thank you to everyone who has been at school every day and on time. Pupils' punctuality has also significantly improved this half term.

	Attendance	Punctuality
1st	Orangutans 100%	Orangutans 100%
2nd	Dolphins 98.9%	Rhinos 99.7%
3rd	Snow Leopards and Pandas 97.1%	Gorillas 99.3%
4th	Rhinos 96.6%	Pandas 98.6%
5th	Elephants 94.4%	Dolphins 98.3%
6th	Gorillas 92.8%	Polar Bears 97.7%
7th	Polar Bears 92.3%	Snow Leopards 97.6%
8th		Elephants 97.4%

Lost Property

Please ensure that all items of uniform are clearly labelled. Please also check that your child has brought home their own items and not other pupil's. Please return any items that belong to other pupils.

Have you registered your child for their Reception place for September 2019?

Does your children turn 4 years before August 31st 2019?

If the answer is yes, then you are required to register your child for their reception place to begin school in September 2019

Follow the link to direct you to the online application form:

<https://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/residents/education-and-learning/schools/admissions>

The deadline for applications is 15th January 2019.

Autumn Term Dates so far...

Please keep checking for updates.

11th Dec- Christingle making with Rev Linda Maslen
12th Dec- 2pm EYFS nativity
13th Dec- Year 3 trip to the Jorvik
13th Dec- pm Year 1/2 Christmas Performance
14th Dec- am Year 1/2 Christmas Performance
15th Dec- pm Pensioners tea party
17th/20th Dec- Secret shop
18th Dec- Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
19th Dec- am EYFS Christmas Party
19th Dec- 1.30pm Carol Concert St Mark's Church
20th Dec- pm KS1 Christmas Party
21st Dec- 9am End of term honours
21nd Dec- School closes for the Christmas break

Please note the term dates and book your family holidays during the breaks.