



The Importance of Reading at Home

During the school the day the children have a number of opportunities to read in and out of class, as a whole class, group or occasionally 1:1. We are pleased with the progress the children make in their reading at school.

Reading is equally as important at home, but we have a number of pupils who are not reading frequently enough, or at all, at home.

Providing the opportunity to read with your child for **10 mins daily**, on a 1:1 basis, would help with their fluency, confidence and accuracy.

Please give your child the opportunity to improve their reading at home by reading with them daily and ensuring their reading record is completed and returned to school on the days directed by their class teacher.

School have invested a lot of money in stocking up all reading ranges, please encourage your child to respect their reading book and ensure that it returns to school in the condition it left in.

Thank you for your continued support.

Siddal Primary Needs YOU!!!

On Wednesday 19th September, 6pm at the Watermill, Siddal Parents and Friends will be holding their **AGM** and they desperately need new volunteers to help run this brilliant working party. The team organise and run events for all pupils in school, whilst raising money to buy valuable resources for the school. Without this time and support these events will sadly not happen, so please come along.

Funding to Support your Child

Are you in receipt of any of the following benefits: Income Support, Income-based Jobseekers Allowance, Income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Support under Part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act, the guaranteed element of Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit, Working Tax Credit or Universal Credit?

Then your children could be entitled to free school meals and also school will receive additional funding to support your child. Please see the school office for further information.

Important Information

Have you returned your registration pack?

Please ensure that this information is with the school office by as a matter of urgency so we have up to date contact details for your child, in case of emergency. If you did not receive your registration pack, please contact the school office for another.

Nasal Flu Immunisation information and consent forms should have been returned on Wednesday 12th September. Please return immediately if you have not already done so.

Does your child normally have a packed lunch? If they would like to try the themed Big Breakfast lunch on 4th October, please return the slip by Monday.

Absence/Lateness

- Unplanned absence- please remember to inform the office by 9.15am on the day.
- Planned absence- please submit a request form to request the absence in advance. Routine appointments should be made outside of the school day. If you do need to make an emergency appointment for your child, please provide a copy of the appointment letter from the GP or hospital.
- Doors open at 8.50am. Morning registration is at 8.55am. Pupils arriving after this time will be recorded as late and must enter via the main entrance **with an adult**.
- On the rare occasion that you are running late to collect your child, out of courtesy to the staff at school, **please ring the school to inform us**.
- All late collections are recorded and will be formally addressed if consistent. This also includes late collection from clubs, which may result in your child losing their club place.

Honours Awards 14.9.18

	Hard Workers	Special Pupil
Reception	Amelia Philips	Mia Rushton
YEAR 1	Ruben Connolly	Rishi Ahir
YEAR 2- Dolphin	Naavya Chaudhari	Evie-Blue Yates
YEAR 2- Snow leopard	Maxwell Whitaker	Matilda Brown
YEAR 3	Max Brennan	Benji Kaung
YEAR 4	Ronan Cummin	Eesaa Saleem
YEAR 5	Louie Farrar	Lexi Abel
YEAR 6	Rory Aitchison	Lynnette Riley

Does your children turn 4 years before August 31st 2019 or is your child in Year 6?

If the answer is yes, then you are required to register your child for their Reception place and Year 6 pupils for their secondary school 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>

Whole School Attendance and Punctuality

Whole School Attendance: 98%
 This is well above the Government National average. Well done everyone!
 Thank you to everyone who has been at school every day and on time. Pupils' punctuality has significantly improved this week throughout school.

	Attendance	Punctuality
1st	Elephants 100%	Dolphins and Orangutans 100%
2nd	Polar Bears 99.2%	Rhinos 99.7%
3rd	Pandas 98.6%	Elephants and Polar Bears 99.2%
4th	Rhinos 98.1%	Gorillas 98.9%
5th	Gorillas 97.8%	Pandas 98.6%
6th	Dolphins 97.7%	Snow Leopards 97.8%
7th	Orangutans 97.5%	
8th	Snow Leopards 95.6%	

Autumn Term Dates so far...

Please keep checking for updates.

28th Sept- 9.30am MacMillan Coffee morning

4th Oct- Big Breakfast school lunch

5th Oct- Year 4 trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park

19th Oct- Reception to Year 5 flu immunisations

26th Oct- 9.30am Harvest celebration at St Marks Church

26th Oct- School closes for the half term break at 3.25pm

6th Nov- School re-opens to pupils

9th Nov- Year 4 Elephant trip to the cinema to watch Goosebumps

12th-14th Nov- Year 4 Residential to Robinwood

12th Nov- Year 5 Orangutan trip to IMAX

12th Nov- Year 3 Rhino trip to the cinema to watch Captain Underpants

13th Nov- Year 6 Gorilla trip to the cinema to watch Hotel Transylvania 3

19th Nov- Year 1 Panda trip to the cinema to watch Fantastic Mr Fox

20th Nov- Year 2 Snow Leopard and Dolphin trip to the cinema to watch Rock Dog

26th Nov- 3.30-6pm Parents' consultation evening

29th Nov- 5.30- 8pm Parents' consultation evening

19th Dec- 1.30pm Carol Concert St Mark's Church

21nd Dec- School closes for the Christmas break