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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please read the following letter which contains a lot of information regarding the day to day running of the school which you will hopefully find useful.



HARVEST TIN COMPETITION

Friday 19th October.

WE WANT YOUR TINS



As part of supporting the local harvest appeal we are asking all children to bring in tins of food from home over the next week. Each class will enter a competition to make the longest line of tins on the playground, with the winning class from each site having a movie and popcorn afternoon in the hall. Please only send in tins that are in date! The tins will be used by local charities to support families and vulnerable people who are unable to afford to buy food.

Staff News

Mrs Grimshaw will be leaving us today to move onto a new job. Many of you will know her from the Aire View site, however she has been working in Year 4 for the past 5 weeks. I know that she is very highly regarded amongst both staff and parents, and that her skills and expertise will be missed. We hope that she has every success in her new adventure, and we wish her all the best.

Sporting Events

Thank you to the parents and staff who have supported the recent sporting events after school this term. They would not have been able to take place without your help. I know that they have been very successful and the school has been well represented by the pupils.

Diary Dates

Parents are informed that the following dates will be staff training days and the school will be closed to pupils. Monday 7th January, Monday 4th March and Monday 3rd June. These dates all fall on Mondays following the Christmas, February and May half term holidays.





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School will open for pupils on the Tuesday following these (the next day). Please note that these are changed dates from our original school calendar and we will now be open on Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th June 2019 and therefore expect children in school on these dates. Please see an updated calendar on the school website.

Parents Evening is approaching after half-term. Can parents please make every effort to come and see your children's books and meet with their class teachers to discuss progress and how you can support their learning at home. This relationship between school and yourselves is the most important factor in your child's journey at school. You should have already received the information regarding how you will be able to book your appointments through a new system that goes live on for parents with children at our Hothfield site on Monday.

School Uniform and P.E.Kits

Please check that your child's uniform and PE kit is clearly named – it may have washed out since September.

Can parents please ensure that pupils have the correct uniform and PE kit in school. There are a number of pupils who are regularly missing PE as they do not have the correct kit. As we move into Autumn and Winter, pupils need to have suitable tracksuit bottoms and tops to put on over their kits, as PE will still be taking place outside. They will still need shorts, T shirts and pumps for indoor PE.

Drop off and Collection

Parents should be aware that pupils who are dropped off at school before 8.45 will not be supervised. If you leave your child at 8.30am on the playground they do not become the responsibility of the school until 8.45am. I understand the time pressures that some parents face in the morning and we are looking at how we can extend our provision to accommodate your children before school in a breakfast club facility.

Parents should also not be collecting their children early from school on a daily basis. We have noticed several parents doing this, particularly on the Aire View site, and we will tackle this issue through the local authority if it continues. This will be done in the same way that we do for pupils who are persistently late to school in the morning. School finishes at 3.30pm for all pupils and this is when they should be collected. Teaching continues in classes until 3.25pm and early collection means that learning is missed.



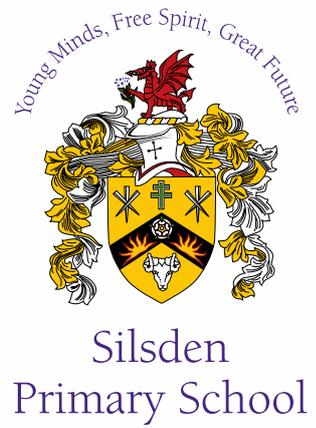


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Social Media.

Parents who have a concern with any aspect of school should make contact and discuss this with a member of the Senior Leadership team in confidence. I understand that parents communicate online. However, as has happened this week, sometimes inaccurate information and gossip can cause unnecessary distress and worry for other parents. Serious incidents relating to behaviour or safeguarding which do occur in school are dealt with appropriately by senior staff and parents of those pupils involved will be contacted by myself or the Deputy Headteacher.

Yours faithfully,

K.S.Russell
Headteacher

