



Aire View Site

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Dear Parents,

Friday 9th November 2018

Staff Changes

Mrs Dale and Mrs Travers, who both currently teach Year 1 Swallows will be increasing their working hours to increase the teaching capacity within the school. Mrs Travers will be taking over full-time teaching responsibility for Year 1 Robins with effect from 26th November. There will be a two-week transition where she will be working alongside Miss Powell to ensure an effective handover. Mrs Dale will be teaching Year 1 Swallows for four days a week from Tuesday 13th November (Tue – Friday each week). Mondays will be taught by Miss Powell from 19th November onwards.

Unfortunately, these changes could not be actioned before parents' evening this week to enable you to meet with your child's new teachers, however they will be in place for our first assessment period and these assessments will take place in the two-week transition period. The changes had to be agreed by governors and these pre-scheduled meetings took place on Tuesday this week. The Governors have also agreed and supported several other proposals aimed at raising the standard of teaching and learning in school. These will affect staff roles and responsibilities, and parents will be informed of these in due course.

It may be concerning to some parents that we are changing teachers during the year, however, I am confident that by making this change now it will benefit the children in Year 1 and create additional teaching capacity that will be used to support children in all classes in KS1.

We have also appointed an additional teaching assistant to our school staff. Miss Hargreaves will be joining us on the Hothfield Site. Mrs Hennigan will be moving to the Aire View site to work in Miss Firth's Reception class.

If any parents would like to discuss these changes further with me then please make contact and arrange a meeting through the school office or ask me for a word if you see me at school.

School Uniform

Can parents please ensure that children are wearing appropriate school uniform to school. There are several children who are not wearing appropriate school shoes. Children coming to school in trainers will be asked to remove them and wear their school PE pumps. Children should have their long hair tied back and use plain hair bands and clips. Glittery or head bands with ears on should not be worn. Large Jo Jo bows are also not allowed.

Further to this, can parents please ensure that children are sent to school in an appropriate winter coat that is clearly labelled with their name. When it rains we still have outdoor play and we will not be letting children outside if they are not wearing a coat.



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Silsden
Primary School

School Events

As we move toward a very busy time of year for everyone parents are advised that all events that will be happening in school will be communicated through the school website. Reminder emails will be sent when this is updated – please ensure that school has an up to date email address.

We are reducing the number of Nativity plays in KS1 this year. The Nativity play will be done in Reception classes only. Year 1 and 2 will be involved in other festive activities and will produce a drama performance at Easter (Y1) and in July (Y2). Nursery will hold their own Christmas production for parents.

Parents Evening

Thank you to all of you who have attended parents’ evenings over the last two weeks. I hope that you have found it useful and have had an opportunity to discuss your child’s progress with their teacher. School will be contacting parents who haven’t attended to arrange a suitable meeting time.

Friday 16th November

Silsden Supporting
Children in Need 2018



Own clothes day - Bring a donation - wear spots if you can!

Target to raise over £1,000

If every child brings a suggested donation of £1.50 we will
do this!!!

