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## PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer

### Welcome

A very warm welcome back from us all! We hope, like us, that the holiday period was full of fun and enjoyment (and not too many illnesses!). We have settled into the new school year really well and the children are already back into the swing of things! Once again, there are lots of exciting things planned and we hope that the children will enjoy all of these. Also, we look forward to welcoming you into school once again this term, to work with your children and our staff.

### Reminder – Movie Night – Friday 19th January 2018 – ‘Beauty and the Beast’

We will be showing the latest ‘Beauty and the Beast’ movie on Friday 19th January 2018. Tickets cost £4.00 per child which includes a bottle of drink and 2 snacks. You may buy your tickets via ParentPay in the usual way until Friday 12th January 2018 at 3.30 pm. Places are limited so buy your tickets early to ensure a seat!

### Key Stage 2 (Years 3 to 6) – Reference Requests for Private Schools

If you are applying for an in-year transfer to a private school for your child, please may we request that you advise your child's class teacher in advance of any reference request. Thank you.

### Reminder – Reception Classes Can Use ParentPay

We are pleased to confirm that ParentPay is now working for Reception classes (Mrs Myers and Mrs Morrison). A new activation code was given to your child to take home on 21<sup>st</sup> December so you may now register on the system.

### DVD of the Year 5/6 Christmas Performance – ‘Panto Pandemonium’

DVDs of the Year 5 & 6 Christmas Performance ‘Panto Pandemonium’ are now for sale. They cost £5.00 and are available to purchase via ParentPay in the usual way. Once paid for, the DVD will be sent home with your child. Thank you.

### DVD of the Reception Performance – ‘The Nativity’

DVDs of the Reception classes Nativity performance are now on sale for £5.00 each. They cost £5.00 and are available to purchase via ParentPay in the usual way. Once paid for, the DVD will be sent home with your child. Thank you.

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**Spring Term Diary – please check the school website for updates:**  
<http://swanlandeducationtrust.co.uk/swanland-primary-school/calendar>

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January – Maths at Swanland School– Meeting for all Parents/Carers (6.00 pm)  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January – Movie Night ‘Beauty and the Beast’ (6.00 – 8.30 pm)  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Year 2 Scooter Training  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – NSPCC Number Day – Children Wear a Number  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – PTA Fundraising Celebration Evening at Mr Chu’s (7.30pm)  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3 & 4 Play Performance (2.00 pm and 6.30 pm)  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3 & 4 Play Performance (6.30 pm)  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – School Closes at 3.30 pm for holidays  
*Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term Holiday (school closed)*  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – School Re-opens at 8.50 am  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 Festival of Sports at South Hunsley  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Year 2 Visit to York Chocolate Factory  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 Visit to Murton Park  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Class Photographs (Wrates)  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – School Closes at 3.30 pm for Easter holidays  
*Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Holidays (school closed)*  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April – School Re-opens at 8.50 am

Thank you for your continued support, now and into the future.



Chris Huscroft  
Executive Head Teacher



Hannah Stephenson  
Head of School

## Parent Support

This year we are launching a new ‘spot’ on our newsletter, as a **PS** to our usual news. As we are sure all parents are aware, funding for schools is very tight and we are looking for ways that the wider community might be able to help us, either at cost ... or better! So, going forwards, we will be asking you (or anyone you know) whether you might be able to offer some help with various projects around the school. You might have a professional background, technical skills or simply wish to offer an ‘extra pair of hands’ for general projects. Work might include infrastructure repairs, replacement items, technical advice or ‘person’ power needed to help with the more unskilled jobs.

Examples of the skills/help required for current projects would include joinery skills, small construction skills, line marking or parents willing to help with painting games on the playground. Time scales are, of course, very flexible to fit in with all offers of help!

Thank you for taking the time to read our first ‘PS’ and we look forward to hearing from you!