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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



Meet the Governors – Suzi Storr

Hi everyone, my name is Suzi and I have been a co-opted Governor at Swanland School for around five years. I have two children at the school; Aimee is in 5RC and Georgia in 1RP. Having completed a PGCE, I taught in Hull for several years before spending a year as a Health in Schools Consultant and then moving to my current job, working in Teacher Education at the University of Hull. I led PE in my school, ensuring fun and high-quality PE as a valuable element of wellbeing. My year with the Health in Schools team enabled me to specialise in PSHE delivery and policy development and this further drove my passion for health and wellbeing as a precursor for learning and a happy, secure future for children.

As a Governor, I make sure I ask questions and seek information to ensure monitoring of provision for our children's health and wellbeing and would be happy to receive any comments or queries that you would like me to take forward. I have recently been part of a working party, supporting Mrs Cooper as she developed the new Relationships curriculum for our school and the wider Trust, based on statutory changes which are due to be in place soon.

These unprecedented times are going on for much longer than any of us would like; hopefully our children can enjoy more time at school with their friends this year.



Reception Admissions for September 2021

Information Meeting for Prospective Parents on Wednesday 4th November 2020 at 5.30pm

If you have a child who will be joining us in September 2021, or if you know someone who is considering applying for a Reception place for their child in September 2021, you/they may be interested in joining us for a Virtual Information Meeting for Prospective Parents on Wednesday 4th November 2020 at 5.30 pm. As we are unable to meet in person and conduct tours at this time, it will be a short meeting where parents can be introduced to the teachers, listen to a short presentation, ask any generic questions and get contact details if there are any personal or further enquiries. All are welcome! [Click here](#) if you wish to join the meeting.



PTA Bag2School – Thank you!

Thank you to all parents/carers who donated their unwanted clothing/household textiles for the PTA's Bag2School collection – the PTA raised £123.00 for the school.



Superhero Day – Monday 2nd November 2020

After half-term, Year 1's new topic is 'Superheroes'. To start the topic, we would like to invite all the Year 1 children to come to school on Monday 2nd November dressed as their favourite Superhero or wearing an item of superhero-themed clothing. Take a look at the Fancy Dress stall at the Scarecrow Hunt as the PTA may have some Superhero outfits on sale!



Remembrance Day – Wednesday 11th November 2020

During the first week back at school after half-term, we will have several Poppy Appeal products on sale. There are a range of items such as poppies, pin badges, wristbands and stationery and the recommended donations for the products range from 50p to £2.00. These items will be on sale in the classroom for children to buy should they wish. Any children who are a member of the Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts organisations may wear their uniform to school on Wednesday 11th November 2020.



Hessle Academy – FAO Year 5 and Year 6 Students

Note from Mr V Groak, Headteacher:

I am pleased to enclose the links to our virtual open event videos. We heard that some viewers encountered problems whilst watching the videos in Google Chrome.

These issues have now been resolved and the links to all the videos can be found here:

<https://www.thehessleacademy.co.uk/attention-year-5-and-6-virtual-open-evening>

On behalf of everyone at Hessle High School and Sixth Form College, we hope you enjoy watching them and that they help you to make the right secondary school choice for your child.

Should you still be undecided, would a tour of the school help? We have limited tours available during half term on Wednesday 28 October. To book a tour please contact 01482 648604 or hsoffice@hessleacademy.com

These will be socially distanced small group tours. Face masks must be worn at all times (unless exempt).

Remember the deadline to submit your school choices is Friday 31st October 2020.



Parents Evening – 10th and 12th November 2020

If you have not done so already, please ensure you book your appointment for Parents' Evening (to be conducted through Microsoft Teams). Our booking system is now online and appointments can be made through the Sign-Up Genius booking system links below.

For GDPR purposes, if you do NOT want your name to be seen by other parents, please enter a dash in the box 'First Name' and in the box 'Last Name'. You must enter the name of the pupil and this will only be visible to school staff.

- [RHM](#)
- [1EJ](#)
- [2JP](#)
- [3GW](#)
- [4KC](#)
- [5RC](#)
- [6KG](#)
- [RCM](#)
- [1RP](#)
- [2EE/ND](#)
- [3SP/SM](#)
- [4MR](#)
- [5DR](#)
- [6AN/JS](#)



PTA Scarecrow Hunt – Saturday 31st October 2020

We look forward to seeing you at the PTA Scarecrow Hunt – we have **53** entries all with a chance to win £100! Due to the amount of entries, we have decided there will also be a 2nd place prize of £50 and 3rd place prize of £25. Please collect any pre-ordered Maps/Vote Sheets and Halloween Treat Bags on the Day – these will also be on sale if you missed out on your online order. Set out on the school's playground, we

will have Refreshments, Donuts, Fancy Dress Sale, Book Sale and a Nearly New Uniform Sale.

Please come along for a socially-distanced walk around the village and place your vote for the winner!



Reminder – Indoor Shoes

As the weather becomes worse, we request that after half-term the children have a pair of sandshoes in school for changing into after they enter the building. Thank you.



Flyers on the School Website

Community flyers added to the school website this week are listed below.

Please follow the link:

<https://swanlandeducationtrust.co.uk/swanland-primary-school/parents/out-of-school-events>

- Children Who Can – After School Club – Christmas 2020 (under tab ‘Children’s Clubs’)
- Swanland FC Academy – Reception, Yr1 & Yr2 (under tab ‘Children’s Clubs’)

ParentPay Reminders



ParentPay

Please can you check your ParentPay balance and ensure your account does not run into arrears. Thank you.

Dates
for your



Autumn Term 2020 Diary (→ [New Diary Item](#))

Thursday 22nd October – School Closes for October Half-Term Holiday (3.30 pm)

Saturday 31st October – PTA Scarecrow Hunt

Monday 2nd November – School Re-opens After October Half-Term Holiday (8.50 am)

→ Monday 2nd November – Year 1 Non-Uniform Superhero Day

→ Monday 4th November – Virtual Information Meeting for Prospective Parents Sept 2021 (5.30pm)

Tuesday 10th November – Parents’ Evening (via Microsoft Teams)

→ Wednesday 11th November – Remembrance Day

Thursday 12th November – Parents’ Evening (via Microsoft Teams)

Monday 23rd November – Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations

Thursday 26th – Friday 27th November – Year 5 Cranedale Residential Trip (rescheduled from Yr. 4)

Friday 11th – Sunday 13th December – Year 6 Robinwood Residential Trip (rescheduled from Yr. 5)

Thursday 17th December – School Closes for Christmas Holiday (3.30 pm)

Tuesday 5th January – School Re-opens After Christmas Holiday (8.50 am)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson

Head Teacher