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25th June 2020

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer

Key Worker Provision

So that we are able to cope with the increasing numbers of Key Worker children, if you are able to care for your child(ren) from home, please do so and avoid sending them into school. The work covered in school for Key Worker groups is the same as the work set for Home Learning; there is no additional formal teaching taking place in these 'Bubbles'.



We are being made aware of a number of Key Worker parents that are sending their children in either when they are not at work or when there is another family member at home who can look after the child. Please help us to keep everyone safe and to be able to continue to provide childcare for all the children who need it **by only sending your child on the days that you require it.** Thank you.



Transition Week – Week commencing 13th July 2020

During the week commencing 13th July, we are hoping to invite children in Years 2–5 back to school for a transition session at some point during the week. **This will mean that the Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 provision will cease on Friday 10th July,** although, Key Worker provision will still be available for those eligible.

In order to ensure the safety of all, this provision will take place with social distancing in place and provision will be outdoors, whatever the weather. Should the weather be too wet/showery, we may have to cancel this activity; we will endeavour to let you know of any cancellation as soon as possible.

We will be writing to you shortly to let you know the session that your child is eligible to attend; it is likely that this will be half a class at a time (we anticipate an hour and a half for each group will be possible). During the session, we hope that your child will spend the majority of their time with their current teacher, but their new teacher will be able to have a short period to introduce themselves. Children in Reception and Year 1 will receive transition sessions during the week commencing 6th July, whilst in their bubbles.

2019–20 Year 6 Leavers and Whole School Transition Day – Monday 7th September

We are still planning to have the Year 6 children back in school on Monday 7th September if the government guidance, that we are awaiting, enables us to do so.

If we can arrange a photographer, we are hoping that the Year 6 children may have class photos taken and, hopefully, we will also arrange a celebration of some kind.

If possible, we also hope that children in all other year groups will be able to come back on Monday 7th September in order to have a transition day with their class and their previous year's teacher. However, if the government says that we still need to maintain a



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'Bubble' system and that staff cannot cross bubbles, then this may not be possible. Please bear with us whilst we receive the relevant guidance and then put plans in place.



Drop Off and Pick Up Times

Please try to stick to these times as closely as possible.

You can come through the gate on Tranby Lane or the back gate by the pond and then leave by the gate next to the Astroturf or the gate at the back of the school by the pond (we will be opening the wider gate for wider access at the back of school). We have put a one-way system in place to help everyone to maintain social distancing. We would prefer that all children are collected from the playground at the end of the day.

Year Group	Drop Off	Pick Up
Key Workers	8.40–8.50 am	3.30 pm
Reception A & Year 1 A	8.50–9.00 am	2.50–3.00 pm
Reception B & Year 1 B	9.00–9.10 am	3.00–3.10 pm
Reception C & Year 1 C	9.10–9.20 am	3.10–3.20 pm
Reception D & Year 1 D	9.20–9.30 am	3.20–3.30 pm
6AN/JS	8.50–9.00 am	3.10 pm
6KG	9.00–9.10 am	3.20 pm

Fit4Fun – Summer Holidays 2020

We have received a number of questions, asking whether school will continue to be open during the Summer holidays. At this time, we have no plans to be open over the summer.

However, we have been working with Fit 4 Fun in order to facilitate their club to run from the school grounds during this time. Please get in touch with them directly if you require this provision <https://www.fit4fun.co/> Fit 4 Fun are reserving places for Swanland School children only **until the end of this week** but then will open it up to local schools, should there be any more places available. **So, please do book as soon as possible if you wish to secure a place.**



PTA Bag2School Collection – Wednesday 8th July 2020



The PTA has arranged for Bag2School to collect bags of your unwanted clothes/textiles etc on the morning of Wednesday 8th July 2020. If you have any items that you no longer need, please bring your bag(s) to our bag drop off area, which will be located inside the school staff car park, to the left just inside the 'In' barrier (cover will be provided if it is raining!). The barrier will be left up, but please do not drive through the car park to drop off your bag. Please observe social distancing and be alert as vehicles may enter the car park. Thank you.



Vacancy: Midday Supervisors – DEADLINE: FRIDAY 10TH JULY 2020

We currently have vacancies for two Midday Supervisors, starting September 2020. One Mon–Fri (5 days) and one Mon–Tues and Thurs–Fri (4 days). The successful applicants would be supervising the children during the lunch break (working from 11.55 am to 1.15 pm), on the playground, in the classroom (if it is wet!) or in the dining hall whilst the children are eating their dinners.

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Vacancy: Part-Time Catering Assistant – DEADLINE: FRIDAY 3RD JULY 2020

We currently have a vacancy for a part-time Catering Assistant in the School Kitchen, working 13.75 hours per week (11.00 am to 1.45 pm Mon–Fri), as part of a team of six, preparing and serving school meals to our children.

If you, or anyone you know, is/are interested in either of these vacancies, please see further details on our website at: <https://swanlandeducationtrust.co.uk/vacancies/swanland-primary-school>

ParentPay  ParentPay

Would you please check your ParentPay accounts and arrange to pay any outstanding music and lunch balances **by Friday 28th June 2020**. Should this be difficult, particularly bearing in mind the current situation, please do contact the School Office to speak with either of us, in strictest confidence.

Summer Term 2020 Diary

Wednesday 8th July – PTA Bag2School collection (9.00 am)

Friday 17th July – School Closes for Summer Holidays (3.30 pm)

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

→ Monday 7th September – School Re-opens for Transition Day – possibly for all children TBC

Tuesday 8th September – School Officially Re-opens for Autumn Term 2020–2021 (8.50 am)

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

Yours sincerely

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Executive Head Teacher

Hannah Stephenson
Head of School