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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



Change to the End of the School Day

Further to our letter of 15th July 2021, I can now confirm that from 2nd November 2021, the end of the school day will be at 3.20 pm rather than at 3.30 pm. We have found that staggering lunch times and reducing the lunch break time from 1 hour 10 minutes to 1 hour, as we did whilst COVID-19 restrictions were in place, had a positive impact on the children. Reception children can be picked up a little earlier between 3.10 pm and 3.20 pm.



Parent Governor Vacancy

Following the resignation of Rebecca Lewis as Parent Governor, owing to work commitments, we currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. Please find attached, with this email, a letter regarding the role of a Governor and a nomination form to be completed and returned by Monday 18th October 2021 for those who wish to stand.

We would like to thank Rebecca for her work as a member of the Governing Board.



Change to School Dinner Menu for Census Day – Thursday 7th October 2021

Next Thursday is national Census Day for all primary schools, where (amongst other key figures) the number of Key Stage 1 children staying for school dinners that day is recorded. This figure (along with the same figure recorded on the January 2022 Census Day) then determines how much Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) grant the School receives. This UIFSM grant is paid to the School to cover the cost of the provision of free school meals for our children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and is paid at the rate of £2.34 per day, throughout the school year, for every child that stays for a meal on those October and January census days (a total of £444.60 per eligible child).

So, with this in mind, we are tweaking the menu next week to encourage as many children as possible to stay for a hot school meal on Thursday. Please see the Space flyer showing the menu for the day – Burger, Fries, Beans with a Cupcake for dessert!

May we please ask you to encourage your EYFS/KS1 child to stay for a hot meal that day or to try a hot school meal for the first time if they have not already done so! Any additional income is very important for the School so we do hope you can help. Thank you.



Change to School Dinner Menu – Friday 8th October 2021

The dessert for Friday 8th October is now going to be cheesecake instead of a Muffin, but everything else stays the same.

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Individual Photographs – Catch-up Session – Friday 15th October 2021

For those children who were absent on Tuesday 28th September, the photographer will be back in school during the afternoon of Friday 15th October to do a catch-up session on missed individual photographs.



Sporting Achievements!

Congratulations to Joshua and Luke McClane who did the Beverley Fun Run on Sunday! Joshua's time was 09:21 and Luke's was 13:21. Well done!!



PTA 'Your School Lottery'

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the School Lottery and congratulations to the weekly winners! They are currently giving away a **DOUBLE HARRY POTTER BUNDLE**, containing a family theatre voucher for Harry Potter & The Cursed Child, as well as a family ticket for the Harry Potter Warner Bros. Studio Tour! So, if you have not yet signed up, why not visit our lottery here! [Your School Lottery](#)



ParentPay Reminder

- Year 5 Residential to Robinwood Deposit – **OVERDUE**
- Year 4 Residential to Cranedale Deposit – due Monday 4th October 2021

CURRENT VACANCIES



Teaching Assistant (Level 1) – DEADLINE: MONDAY 11TH OCT 2021 at 3.30 pm

We have a new vacancy for a Teaching Assistant (Level 1), working 31.25 hours per week, term-time only. This vacancy involves working on a one-to-one basis supporting a child with an EHCP, as well as some general classroom support. Previous experience of working on a one-to-one basis with a child with special needs would be desirable.

Lunchtime Activity Organiser – DEADLINE: MONDAY 11TH OCT 2021 at 3.30 pm

We also have a number of vacancies for a new role as a Lunchtime Activity Organiser. This role may suit a young person, who has free time during lunchtimes and would like to gain some essential work experience in a primary school. Hours of employment can be tailored to the applicant's availability within the 12.00–1.00 pm lunchtime window. The role will include:

- Supervising and organising activities for the children at lunchtimes on the playground.
- ensuring the children are playing safely;
- having a clear understanding of safeguarding responsibilities;
- maintaining good discipline alongside the Midday Supervisors;
- organising equipment necessary for activities undertaken.

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



Flyers on the School Website

Community flyers added to the school website this week are listed below (please click on the link to view).

Disclaimer: Swanland Primary School does not endorse the following flyers; we are simply sharing the information.

- [Tuition letter to Parents – Autumn Term](#)
- [Parenting Clinic – October – Confidence](#)
- [Family Learning – Endeavour workshops](#)
- [Family Learning – Preston Road workshops](#)



Autumn Term 2021 Diary (→ **New Diary Item**)

Tuesday 5th October – Year 3 visit to Tropical World

→ Wednesday 6th October – Year 4 visit to Murton Park, York

Friday 8th October – deadline for returning artwork/orders for Christmas Cauliflower Cards

→ Friday 15th October – Individual photo catch-up session (PM)

Tuesday 19th October – PTA Bag2School collection (*see separate letter*)

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

Tuesday 2nd November – School Re-opens After October Half-Term Holiday (8.45–8.55 am)

→ w/c Monday 22nd November – Year 5 Swimming Lessons – Week 1

Friday 26th November – Immunisation Nurse in School – Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations (letter to follow)

→ w/c Monday 29th November – Year 5 Swimming Lessons – Week 2

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson
Head Teacher