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Dear Parents and Carers,

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

As the current situation continues, we hope that everyone is well, keeping safe and coping in this difficult situation. Please remember that you can contact school via the telephone or on the office email address (office@dunswellacademy.co.uk) or use Seesaw and Tapestry to contact your child's teacher.

School Lunches and Free School Meals

Free school meal vouchers are provided to those who are eligible. Unfortunately, this does not include Reception, Year 1 and 2 children anymore unless you have applied for and been granted Free School Meals by the Local Authority. If your circumstances have changed and if you feel that you may be entitled to Benefit related Free School Meals and have not previously signed up for this, click on the link below to check your eligibility.

<https://www.eastriding.gov.uk/learning/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-meals/free-school-meals/>

Home to school learning

Learning for children will continue to be placed on the school website. We fully appreciate that home learning is difficult so please do not feel that all tasks have to be completed. It is so important that children's well-being is currently taken care of. Teachers will be contacting parents over the next week to check in with you all and give you the opportunity to ask them any questions. Please note that there will be no work set on Friday 8th May due to the bank holiday.

Coronavirus – stay at home information

Please follow the link to read the most recent stay at home guidance from the government.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance#history>

Residentials

Due to the uncertainty of returning to school, we have taken the decision to postpone both Cranedale and Robinwood residentials. Fortunately, we have been able to change the dates of both trips to the Autumn Term. The new dates are as follows:

Cranedale (current Year 4 but children will be in Year 5 when they go): Thursday 26th-Friday 27th November.

Robinwood (current Year 5 but children will be in Year 6 when they go): Friday 11th December – Sunday 13th December.

If your child was due to go on these this term, please take a note of the new dates (particularly Robinwood as it falls on a weekend).

The London residential has been cancelled and Year 6 parents have been informed about the decision.

School Nurse

As a school, we have regular contact with our school nurse. They have been in touch to explain that they are still available to parents, if you need their help or advice about your child's health. They have also recommended the following website which provides advice, suggestions and answers many health related questions www.humberisphn.nhs.uk . Should you wish to speak to a school nurse, please contact school who can put you in touch.

Parent Pay

Refunds for various clubs and trips are currently underway. As you can appreciate, Parent Pay is exceptionally busy at the moment so it will take longer than normal to process refunds. We appreciate your patience with this matter.

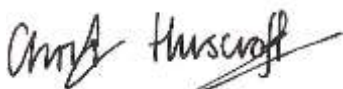
We strongly recognise the part which parents play in their child's education. We can work together as a partnership to ensure that we all promote high standards of learning, behaviour and attitudes towards school so that all children can be the very best.

I hope you are able to spend some quality family time during the lockdown. Please take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely



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Head of School



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All school letters, news and events calendar can be found on the school's website: www.swanlandeducationtrust.co.uk