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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



Choose Us As Your Co-op Local Cause!

Swanland School PTA has been chosen for the next round of the Co-op Local Community Fund. All you have to do is shop at your local Co-op store using your Co-op membership card and, using the [Co-op website](#), select Swanland School PTA as your chosen community fund. Please pass on to family and friends, as not only do you earn money for yourself, you also earn money for the local cause of your choice and we have the potential of raising a lot of money! Please choose SWANLAND SCHOOL PTA! Thank you for your support!



Cycling or Scooting to School

Whilst we encourage children to cycle or scoot to school, children are not permitted to ride bikes or scooters on the school grounds, including the playgrounds. We have a bike shed on the playground to keep all bikes and scooters secure during the school day.

Children who scoot/cycle to school do so at their own risk and parents should make sure:

- the bike is road worthy/their child is a competent rider and wearing a cycle helmet;
- their child walks with their bike or scooter on the school premises.

Children of all ages may ride their bike to school if accompanied by a parent. In Year 5 and Year 6, children may ride independently, as long as they have parental permission, they ride safely and carefully and are very mindful of other road users and pedestrians.

Christmas Parties!

Please see separate letters, sent today, regarding the forthcoming Christmas parties on Wednesday 15th, Thursday 16th and Friday 17th December! The children are asked to bring their party clothes into school on the day in a labelled bag, so that they can change into them after lunch. A contribution towards the cost of the party, as stated in each of the letters, would be gratefully received. These are now available on the [ParentPay](#) website for you to pay online in the usual way.

REMINDER: Flu Vaccinations – TOMORROW, Friday 26th November 2021

The immunisation nurses will be in school tomorrow, Friday 26th November, to give the nasal spray flu vaccination to those children in all year groups that have parental consent.

Year 1 (and any other child missing tomorrow) can attend a catch-up session on the afternoon of Friday 10th December 2021.





REMINDER: Non-Uniform Day in Support of the PTA Christmas Outdoor Fayre – TOMORROW, Friday 26th November 2021

All the children are invited to take part in a non-uniform day tomorrow, Friday 26th November, in exchange for a donation to the PTA Christmas Outdoor Fayre's 'Chocolate Tombola' and/or 'Cake Stall' and/or 'Fill-A-Jar' stalls (where jars are filled with goodies and wrapped, just to add a little excitement as the children buy them!). Thank you for your support!



REMINDER: PTA Christmas Outdoor Fayre – Saturday 27th November 10.00 am to 2.00 pm

The PTA Outdoor Christmas Fayre is this Saturday 27th November from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm. There will be lots of stalls selling Christmas goodies and it is **FREE** entry!



The School Choir will be performing at 10.30 am and the café will be open for bacon sandwiches, sausage sandwiches, hot dogs, cakes and drinks between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm.



Santa will be in his Grotto between 11.00 am and 1.00 pm. Tickets went fast for the Grotto and are now **SOLD OUT**. For those of you lucky enough to purchase a ticket, we hope you enjoy your visit! **Please remember your voucher on the day.**



Do visit Year 4's 'Primary Enterprise' Craft Stalls where you will find products and games to purchase and, in turn, earn the Year 4 children some money! The stalls will be in the Playground from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm (not 2.00 pm as previously advertised).



If you have not done so already, do not forget to purchase your **Raffle Tickets!** As well as the tickets sent home, they will be for sale on the day too! There are some super prizes and, at £1.00 a ticket, represents great value should you win!! Any tickets sent home (sold or unsold) should be returned to the School Office tomorrow, Friday 26th November. Thank you.



As with all events, help setting up, running stalls and clearing away is needed and greatly appreciated. If you can spare any time at all, [please click here](#), where you can sign up to offer your help. Thank you in advance!



REMINDER: PTA Christmas Shop 2021 – Monday 29th November 2021

The PTA Christmas Shop is open! Please see the separate letter (sent out last week and on our website) containing information regarding the shop and [click here](#) to place your order. Sales close TOMORROW, Friday 26th November at 1.00 pm – unfortunately, no late entries can be accepted.

REMINDER: Amazon Smile – Black Friday Week

If you shop Amazon Black Friday Week (deals officially begin on 26th November 2021), you can do more than discover great deals! Simply shop [by clicking here](#), or with AmazonSmile **ON** in the Amazon Shopping app, and AmazonSmile donates to 'Swanland County Primary School Parent Teachers Association' at no extra cost to you!



Children in Need – Thank you!

Through your kind donations, the school raised **£593.29** towards Children in Need. Thank you everyone!



Christmas Post Box – Please Remember Name and Class on Envelopes!

The children may now send Christmas cards to their friends at Swanland Primary School in the special post box situated outside the Main Hall! The cards will be personally delivered to the classrooms each day. Please help our ‘posties’ by ensuring that the *name and class* are clearly stated on the envelope – thank you.



Lunchtime and Before/After School Clubs

Northern Lights Drama are opening up the Monday Drama Club to Year 1 pupils. If you wish your child(ren) to attend please [click this link](#) for further details and to see all the Before/After School Clubs for the Autumn Term.



PTA ‘Your School Lottery’

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the School Lottery and congratulations to the weekly winners! With Christmas on the horizon, they are currently giving away an amazing prize! On 11th December one of our players could “Win Christmas”! This mega prize includes: a Huge Food Hamper – Luxury Christmas Tree – Table & Tree Decorations – Festive Door Wreath – Bubbly & Chocolate – Lights, Candles & Stockings, so if you have not yet signed up, why not visit our lottery here! [Your School Lottery](#)



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.

- [St Barnabas Wreath Making Evening – 27th November 2021](#)
- [St Barnabas Neverland Performance – 11 December 2021](#)



ParentPay Reminders

- Year 5 Residential to Robinwood Interim Payment – **OVERDUE**
- Year 2 Polar Express Non-Uniform Pyjama Day – due 3rd December 2021
- Reception ‘The Nativity’ tickets – due 8th December 2021
- All Years – Christmas Party – due 10th December 2021



Autumn Term 2021 Diary (→ [New Diary Item](#))

Friday 26th November – Non-Uniform Day in support of the PTA Christmas Outdoor Fayre

Friday 26th November – Immunisation Nurse in School – Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations

Saturday 27th November – PTA Christmas Outdoor Fayre

Saturday 27th November – Year 4 Primary Enterprise Education Craft Stalls

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

Monday 29th November – PTA Christmas Shop

Friday 10th December – Year 2 Polar Express Non-Uniform Pyjama Day

→ Friday 10th December – Immunisation Nurse in School – Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations **CATCH UP SESSION**

Tuesday 14th December – Reception Nativity Performance (10.00 am) – RHM only (see separate letter)
Wednesday 15th December – Reception Nativity Performance (10.00 am) – RCM only (see separate letter)
→ Wednesday 15th December – Christmas Party – Year 3 and Year 4 (see separate letter)
→ Thursday 16th December – Christmas Party – Year 5 and Year 6 (see separate letter)
→ Friday 17th December – Christmas Party – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (see separate letter)
Tuesday 21st December – School Closes for Christmas Holiday (3.20 pm)
Thursday 6th January – School Re-opens After Christmas Holiday (8.45–8.55 am)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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