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29<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



### Parent Governor Vacancy

Following the resignation of Chris Green, 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 Governor and a nomination form to be completed and returned on or before 3.30 pm on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022 for those who wish to stand.

We would like to thank Chris for his work as a member of the Governing Board.



### Change to School Dinner Menu

The Week 2 and Week 3 dessert on a Tuesday has been swapped. Please [click here](#) to see the latest menu.

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### Change to School Dinner Menu for Census Day – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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 2023 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 £2.41 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 Harvest Festival flyer showing the menu for the day – Toad in the Hole, Mashed Potato, Peas, Carrots and Gravy with Apple Crumble 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.

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### **REMINDER: Christmas Cards – Deadline Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

Your child should have brought home artwork to be printed onto Christmas cards, gift tags or mugs. Please read the instructions on the paper form, complete the online order/make payment and return the artwork and paper form to school **by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October**. (NB You only need to send back the artwork if you wish to place an order.)



### **Harvest Festival – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022, the children will be visiting Christ Church, Swanland, for a Harvest Festival celebration. In the lead up to the Harvest Festival, Christ Church are collecting food for Hull Foodbank (Trussell Trust). Hull Foodbank only works with non-perishable food items (tinned and dried goods), which do not spoil or decay. They have plenty of Beans and Pasta but the following types of food are urgently needed:

**Tinned Fruit / Tinned Vegetables / Soup / Rice Pudding / Tinned Meat**

The following would also be gratefully received:

**Breakfast Cereals, Rice, Tea/Coffee, Sugar, Biscuits, Snacks**

If the children would like to donate, they can bring their donations in the days leading up to Harvest Festival **from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October**. They will be kept in their classrooms and the children will carry them to the church themselves on the day. Please note, there is no obligation to donate, you do not need to bring a contribution to go to the Church.



### **REMINDER: Flu Vaccinations – Consent Deadline for All Year Groups**

If you have not done so already and you would like your child to receive the nasal flu vaccine in school, please [follow this link](#) to complete an online consent form. **THIS LINK WILL CLOSE ON 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2022.**



### **Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

We will be holding this term's Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings in school face-to-face on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022. During these meetings, parents and teachers will be able to discuss progress made during the Autumn Term.

In the next couple of weeks, we will send out a letter with a slip to complete and return, indicating your preference for an appointment time. Your child's teacher will then endeavour to make mutually convenient arrangements.



### **Starting Reception in September 2023**

It is now time for parents of children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 to make applications for Reception in September 2023.

[Please click here for more information.](#)



### **Playground Equipment**

For safety reasons, may we politely remind parents/carers that children should not play on the school play equipment either before or after school. Thank you.

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### Would You Like To Help Out In School During Lunch Breaks?

We currently have vacancies for a Midday Supervisor. Would you like to help us out, supervising the children during the lunchbreak? The shifts are for one hour and twenty minutes a day (any number of days, up to a full five days, may be able to be accommodated) and, of course, you would be working term-time only, so will still have the holidays free! The salary for this role is £18,333 pa pro rata (£9.50/hr). If you are interested in joining us, please give Debbie Carvalho, our School Business Manager, a call on (01482) 631300 or email her on: sbm@swanlandschool.co.uk. We look forward to hearing from you!



### ParentPay – Current Online Payments

- Year 4 Visit to Murton Park, York – due tomorrow, 30<sup>th</sup> September
- Year 5 Residential to Robinwood (Deposit) – due tomorrow, 30<sup>th</sup> September
- All Years – Halloween Disco Party – due 7<sup>th</sup> October
- Year 6 Residential to Cober Hill (Deposit) – due 19<sup>th</sup> October

### PTA ‘Your School Lottery’ – CALLING ALL WIZARDS!

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the School Lottery and congratulations to the weekly winners! There is currently a fantastic Harry Potter double prize bundle – a £500 theatre voucher for the Cursed Child PLUS a family ticket for the Warner Brothers Studio Tour! 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.

All flyers can be found by [clicking on this link](#)

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

- October Parenting Clinic – Confidence (*under Education, Parenting Clinics*)
- Parenting Clinics from October to December (*under Education, Parenting Clinics*)
- Pocklington School Open Day (*under Education, Secondary Schools*)
- Kids Takeover October Holiday Camps (*under Children’s Clubs, October Holiday Clubs*)
- PQAcademy (*under Children’s Clubs, Drama*)
- Haltemprice Ballers Academy (*under Children’s Clubs, Football*)



# Dates for your



## Autumn Term 2022 Diary (→ [New Diary Item](#))

- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October – deadline for returning artwork/orders for **Christmas Cauliflower Cards**
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Year 4 Visit to Murton Park, York
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Festival at **Christ Church, Swanland**
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 Evacuee Day (*see separate letter*)
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October–Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 Bikeability
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October–Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 Bikeability
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween Disco Party (*see separate letter*)
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – School Closes for October Half-Term Holiday (3.20 pm)
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November – School Re-opens After October Half-Term Holiday (8.45–8.50 am)
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November–Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Year 6 Bikeability
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November – PTA Meeting at 7.00 pm (all welcome)
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November – Immunisation Nurse in school – Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November – PTA Fashion Show with Milla Boutique (*information to follow*)
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November – Non-Uniform Day in exchange for Chocolate Tombola for the PTA Christmas Fayre
- Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November – PTA Christmas Fayre, 10.00 am – 2.00 pm (*information to follow*)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson  
Head Teacher