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15th December 2022

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer

We cannot quite believe it is already time to be writing to you with this final letter of 2022! It has been a busy term with trips, visitors, plays, concerts and pantomimes and we hope the children have enjoyed the range of opportunities they have had this term. We are looking forward to an equally busy Spring Term!

So, from all the staff at Swanland Primary School, we would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2023!



School Closure Procedures

Should the School close for any reason, for example, in the case of extreme bad weather, the following procedures will be followed:

If the School must close prior to the start of a school day:

- Text: We will text all parents (Emergency Contact No 1) to advise of the closure so please ensure you keep the School Office informed of any changes to your mobile telephone number.
- Website: There will be an update posted on the School website, www.swanlandschool.co.uk – [under Key Info/The School Day and Notices](#).
- Telephone: There will be an emergency closure message on our telephone answer machine, directing parents to the website.
- Radio: As in past years, we will advise local radio stations of the closure and you will be able to hear those reports on the morning radio.

Should the School have to close early during the school day:

- Text: We will text all parents to advise of the closure (as above).
- Website: There will be an update posted on the school website www.swanlandschool.co.uk – [under Key Info/The School Day and Notices](#).
- Telephone: Should any children remain uncollected; we will endeavour to telephone any/all of your child's contacts in order for him/her to be collected safely from school.

Where possible, we will endeavour to open the School and will risk assess how many children we can accommodate with staff numbers being taken into consideration. Priority will be given to the children of critical workers in the first instance. Should the School have to be closed for prolonged periods of time, remote learning will be offered via Microsoft Teams so please ensure you know your child's log in details.

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Christmas Party Clothes

This year we have not had a Christmas Jumper Day, however, during the last three days of school, next week, each day there is a different Christmas party! **On the day of your child's Christmas party** (see Dates for your Diary below), children may come in their **Christmas party clothes for the full day** rather than coming in school uniform and changing at lunchtime.



Starting Reception in September 2023 – DEADLINE 15th January 2023

We are fast approaching the deadline for parents to submit their applications for Reception in September 2023. **The deadline is 15th January 2023.** So, if you have not done so already, please submit your application for a Reception place in September 2023 [by clicking here](#).



Change to School Dinner Menu

Please note, there has been a change to Set Menu 3 – w/c 19/12/2022 on Wednesday 21st December. It is now Breaded Fishcake and not Pasta Bolognese Bake. Please [click here](#) to see the latest menu.



School Day Timings from January 2023

For your information, the school day begins at 8.45–8.50 am, with a break for lunch (staggered) as follows:

11.45 am–1.00 pm	Reception
12.00–1.00 pm	Years 1 and 2
12.10–1.10 pm	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

The school day finishes 3.20 pm.



Hull Santa Fun Run & Walk 2022 – Well Done!

Well done to a child and her family from Mrs Myers' class, who ran the whole of the 3 km run last weekend! They were lucky with the weather and, so far, have raised **£170.00** in sponsorship for Swanland School PTA. Thank you to all the generous donations!

If anyone else would like to sponsor this family, they have a Just Giving Page set up, [please click here](#). Thank you!



Mission Christmas

Thank you for all the donations received so far – today is the last day to donate. Mission Christmas ask that all gift donations to the appeal be **new** and **unwrapped** and suitable for **children and young people aged 0–18 years**. Unfortunately, they are unable to take handmade gifts and food items for health and safety reasons. For further information, [please click here](#). Thank you for your help and support.

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School Book Amnesty!

During the Christmas holidays, would you please check your child's books at home and return any that have the School's name on them (ie from our Library or from your child's classroom). Thank you!



The Poppy Appeal – Thank You!

Through your kind donations, the school raised a fantastic **£540.52** towards The Poppy Appeal. Thank you everyone!

Lost Property

Just a reminder that un-named lost property is kept in the School Office. If children have lost items over the last half-term, please remind them to ask at the Office to see if their lost property has been handed in. Any lost property not collected by the end of school on Wednesday 21st December 2022 will be given to a local charity.



ParentPay Current Online Payments



- Reception, Year 1, Year 2 Christmas Party – OVERDUE
- Year 3/4 Christmas Party/Disco – OVERDUE
- Year 5/6 Christmas Movie Afternoon – OVERDUE
- Year 2 Scooter Awareness Programme – due 9th January 2023
- Year 3 Sleepover – due 16th January 2023
- Year 4 Residential to Cranedale (Balance) – due 26th January 2023

PTA 'Your School Lottery'

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the School Lottery and congratulations to the weekly winners! 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.



- Fit4Fun Schools Out @ South Hunsley: [click here](#)
- Fit4Fun Dance & Musical Theatre (Matilda the Musical): [click here](#)
- HAF Christmas Programme [click here](#) (flyer under Children's Clubs, Christmas Holiday Clubs)
- Fit4Fun Clubs 2023 (flyer under Children's Clubs, Fit4Fun)
- Dan Ward Tuition (flyer under Education, Tutoring)

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Dates for your



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

Monday 19th December – KS1 Christmas Party with Puzzling Paul

Tuesday 20th December – Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party/Disco

Wednesday 21st December – Years 5 and 6 Christmas Movie Afternoon

Wednesday 21st December – School Closes for Christmas Holiday (3.20 pm)

Spring Term 2023 Diary (→ [New Diary Item](#))

Thursday 5th January – School Re-opens After Christmas Holiday (8.45–8.50 am)

Friday 13th January – Second-Hand Book Sale

→ Friday 27th January – Year 3 Sleepover (*see separate letter*)

→ Monday 30th January – PTA Meeting – All Welcome! (7.00 pm)

→ Monday 6th February – PTA Bag2School Collection (letter to follow)

→ Friday 10th February – School Closes for Half-Term (3.20 pm)

→ Monday 20th February – School Re-opens after Half-Term (8.45–8.50 am)

→ Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day (information to follow)

→ Monday 6th March – PTA Meeting – All Welcome! (7.00 pm)

→ Monday 13th March – Class Photographs (not Year 6)

→ Wednesday 22nd March – Year 3 History Visitor (information to follow)

→ Thursday 23rd–Friday 24th March – Year 4 Cranedale Residential Visit

→ Thursday 30th March – School Closes for Easter Holidays (3.20 pm)

→ Monday 17th April – School Re-opens after Easter Holidays (8.45–8.50 am)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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