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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to welcome you all back to a new year at Swanland Primary School; I hope that you have had an enjoyable summer! It has been lovely to see all the children back in school looking smart and ready to learn. As I have walked around the school, I have been hearing about some of the fun events that have taken place over the holidays!

Below are a few reminders, such as information about the school day, school lunches, school uniform and attendance. Please do take a little time to read through the items in the letter. Thank you.



Timings for lunches

The school day begins at 8.45–8.55 am with a break for lunch (staggered):

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

Absences



In order that the school may follow national guidelines, we offer you clear guidance on how you should proceed when your children are either absent or late.

- **ALL ABSENCES** from school require:

1. A telephone call to the school before 9.15 am on the morning of each day's absence. By calling every day, we can be sure of your child's whereabouts and that they are safe.
2. Upon your child's return, written and signed confirmation, explaining the absence, preferably using the school 'Absence Note'. This is available on the school website or from the School Office.

- If your child is going to be **LATE**, please call the School Office, if possible, to advise and to book a school lunch (if needed).

Further information can be found on the school website [by clicking here](#).

School Meals

Please see new menu for: 6th September 2023 – 9th February 2024 [by clicking here](#)

The cost of school meals is increasing from 6th September 2023 to the following:

- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: school meals are free;
- Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6: the cost of a school meal will be £2.70.

Information regarding school meals can be found [by clicking here](#) and they are payable **in advance** online via [ParentPay](#).





Reminder of Our School's Food Policy – No Nuts/Peanut Butter or Chocolate Products

In order to protect the growing number of children with allergies to nuts we have, for some years, had a whole school policy, which protects children from being exposed to “nutty” products in school.

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM PROVIDING YOUR CHILD WITH ANY NUTS/PEANUT BUTTER OR CHOCOLATE PRODUCTS (AS THEY MIGHT CONTAIN NUTS) IN THEIR PACKED LUNCHES. PLEASE READ ANY INGREDIENTS LABEL AND, IF NUTS ARE MENTIONED, PLEASE DO NOT SEND IT INTO SCHOOL. THANK YOU.

Just the very proximity of some children to nuts is sufficient to bring on anaphylactic shock. This is very serious.

It is important that nuts do not come into School at all, but it is very difficult for lunchtime staff to oversee the contents of children's packed lunches. Thank you for your continued support with this issue.

PLEASE



**NO PEANUTS
OR
NUT PRODUCTS**



Swanland School Uniform

It is not necessary to have school branded uniform (including PE Kit), however, all uniform should adhere to the policy. Please [click here](#) to take you to the policy on the school website.

Please can you ensure your child's name is in all their uniform, especially jumpers (!) as there are a lot of them being left out on the playground and we do not know who to return them to. Using a laundry marker pen on the label is enough for us to be able to get your child's uniform items back to them, but please check this regularly as it can fade. A replacement for traditional name tags is [Stamptastic](#) and any order placed with them will result in a percentage being paid back to the PTA funds. If you would like to place an order, please quote “HU14 3NE” in the “Gift card, PTA code, or discount code” box in the payment section when completing your order. Thank you.

The PTA has a Nearly New Uniform scheme, offering items of uniform in good condition at bargain prices. Sales normally take place at parents' evenings and at the new intake evening. If you require an item of uniform and cannot wait for one of the sales, please do email the PTA on nearlynewuniform@gmail.com



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.



Music Lessons

For those pupils receiving music lessons through the East Riding Schools' Music Service, please note that lessons will commence again from Monday 11th September 2023.



REMINDER: Meet and Greet Meetings for Parents

We do hope you will be able to join us, on the appropriate date below, to meet your child(ren)'s new teaching team for September 2023, learn a little about their new year group and what is planned for the forthcoming year.

Please note, the PTA will have the 'Nearly New Uniform' out on sale, so if you require any items, cash donations will be gratefully received on the night.

Reception	Monday 25 th September at 5.30 pm (Small Hall)
Year 1	Wednesday 20 th September at 5.00 pm (Small Hall)
Year 2	Wednesday 13 th September at 5.15 pm (Small Hall)
Year 3	Wednesday 13 th September at 6.00 pm (Small Hall)
Year 4	Wednesday 20 th September at 5.45 pm (Year 4 Classroom)
Year 5	Tuesday 19 th September at 5.00 pm (Small Hall)
Year 6	Wednesday 27 th September at 5.30 pm (Small Hall)



Long-Term Prescribed Medication Held in School

Could Parents/Carers with long-term prescribed medication held in school for their child(ren), please ensure a new form has been completed for the new school year and swap over any out-of-date medication. Please email adminsupport@swanlandschool.co.uk if you require a form. Thank you.



Lunchtime and Before/After School Clubs

Please [click this link](#) to see the Lunchtime and Before/After School Clubs for the Autumn Term. Please note all clubs will be running from w/c 12th September (some may have already started).



REMINDER: Swanland Show – Saturday 9th September 2023

Please remember to visit the [Swanland Show](#) at St Barnabas Church Hall on Saturday. Swanland Show is an annual event, which enables villagers and others to showcase their talents and skills and to compete for prizes, trophies and personal pride. There are classes for both adults and children, covering a wide range of categories designed to reflect local activities in horticulture and domestic hobbies.



ParentPay – Current Online Payments

- Year 4 Residential to Cranedale (Deposit) – due today, 7th September 2023
- Year 5 Visit to Eden Camp – due 11th September 2023



PTA 'Your School Lottery'

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the School Lottery and has done so through the summer holiday period. Congratulations to the weekly winners! If you have not yet signed up, why not visit our lottery here!

[Your School Lottery](#)





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

We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor on a Thursday and a Friday lunchtime. Would you like to help us out for just two days a week, supervising the children during the lunchbreak? Or maybe for just one day a week? The shifts are for one hour and ten minutes and, of course, you would be working term-time only, so still have the holidays free! The salary for this role is £20,441 pa pro rata (£10.60/hr).

If you are interested in joining us, why not give us a call? If you would like to come into school to see what is involved, we can certainly arrange that. Please give Debbie Carvalho, our School Business Manager, a call on (01482) 631300 if you have any questions, would like to visit the school or would simply like an application form.

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 Breakfast Clubs (*in Children's Clubs, Fit4Fun*)
- Fit4Fun Afterschool Clubs (*in Children's Clubs, Fit4Fun*)
- Kidslingo Fun French Clubs (*in Children's Clubs, French*)
- Superstars Performing Arts School (*in Children's Clubs, Drama*)
- Dan Ward School-based Tutoring (*in Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp, Tutoring*)
- Adult Education Mental Wealth Workshop (*in Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp, Adult Education*)

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

Monday 11th September – East Riding Schools' Music Service re-starts

Wednesday 13th September – Year 2 Meet & Greet at 5.15 pm (Small Hall)

Wednesday 13th September – Year 3 Meet & Greet at 6.00 pm (Small Hall)

Monday 18th September – Year 5 Visit to Eden Camp

Tuesday 19th September – Year 5 Meet & Greet at 5.00 pm (Small Hall)

Wednesday 20th September – Year 1 Meet & Greet at 5.00 pm (Small Hall)

Wednesday 20th September – Year 4 Meet & Greet at 5.45 pm (Year 4 Classroom)

Monday 25th September – Reception Meet & Greet at 5.30 pm (Small Hall)

Tuesday 26th September – Children's Individual Photographs (all day)

Tuesday 26th September – Family Photographs (5.00 pm) (*sign up to follow*)

Wednesday 27th September – Year 6 Meet & Greet at 5.30 pm (Small Hall)

Thursday 26th October – School Closes for October Half-Term Holiday (3.20 pm)

Monday 6th November – School Re-opens After October Half-Term Holiday (8.45–8.50 am)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson
Head Teacher