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26<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



#### RECEPTION CLASSES: Change to the End of the School Day

From Monday 6<sup>th</sup> 2023, the <u>end of the school day will be at 3.20 pm</u> for the Reception classes rather than at 3.10 pm. This is to fall in line with the rest of the school.



# School Car Park

Parents/carers of children attending clubs before and after school should <u>use the</u> <u>pedestrian gate</u> whenever possible to enter the school grounds. If the pedestrian gate is locked and you need to cut across the car park, please be vigilant, as cars may be entering or exiting. Specifically, please do not allow children to walk through the car park unaccompanied as this is dangerous.



### Building Work Update

We are hoping that during the half term, the building work will be completed and we will be able to revert to previous drop off and pick up arrangements on the different playgrounds. However, on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November, please use the drop off and pick up arrangements we are currently doing and we will update you of any changes in due course.



#### Parent Survey

From time to time, we ask parents/carers to complete a survey about our school in order for us to better understand your views. We really value your opinion on how and what we are doing in our school. Please help us to know what you think is going well and what we can improve in our school by spending a few minutes completing a survey at the link here or scan the QR code (to the left). If there is anything you highlight during this survey as being an area of development, we would very much appreciate an opportunity to discuss the matter. You can do so by making an appointment to visit the school. The survey link will be live until <u>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023</u>. Thank you.



#### Harvest Festival - Thank you!

Hull Foodbank wish to pass on a message of thanks for all the Harvest Festival donations brought by the children in October. Their Harvest Festival produced 453kg of food which will provide approximately 1080 meals. They are very grateful as their stocks were running low. Well done everyone!





#### Internet Safety

We have been made aware of the game 'Rainbow Friends' which is played within Roblox and 'Poppy Playtime' (main character Huggy Wuggy).

They may seem innocent to children and parents because of their names but they are actually ouite frightening. Due to the name of the characters, these videos are often 'slipping through the net' of platforms' safeguarding measure like content filtering and age-restrictions.

**Rainbow Friends** is an episodical psychological horror game where players are kidnapped in an amusement park called 'Odd World'. They are stalked by scary characters and have to attempt to escape the group of monsters that come in all colours of the rainbow. You have to spend several nights with them and survive.



Poppy Playtime is a horror video game where the player plays as a former employee of

Playtime Co. who returns to the abandoned toy factory of said company after receiving a letter from the staff who were thought to have disappeared 10 years ago. The player discovers that the factory is filled with toys who are alive and malicious towards them and starts looking



for a way to escape the premises in nightmarish scenarios, leaving many children upset and frightened.

Some children are finding the characters from these games extremely frightening and whilst the games suggested age is 10+, we are wanting to make parents and carers aware of the games so you are able to discuss with your child any concerns they may have about the games or issues that have arisen from it.

Please be extra vigilant over seemingly fun videos that feature a menacing character with razor-sharp teeth!

Please click the following links for more information: https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2022/04/04/huggy-wuggy-online-safety-review/ https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2021/12/03/poppy-playtime-online-safety-review/



# PTA Meeting – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7.00 pm

All members of the Association, parents, carers and staff are invited to attend this forthcoming meeting. This is the time to discuss any past/future fundraisers, including the upcoming Christmas Fayre. The meeting will be held at the school – please enter through the main entrance on Tranby Lane. We look forward to seeing you there!



## **REMINDER:** Reception Admissions for September 2024

#### Information Meeting for Prospective Parents on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023

If you have a child who will be joining us in September 2024 (or if you know someone who is considering applying for a Reception place for their child in September 2024) you/they may be interested in joining us for an Information Meeting for Prospective Parents on <u>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 5.30 pm</u> in the Small Hall at Swanland Primary School\_- all are welcome!



# Remembrance Day - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023

During the first week of school after the half-term holiday, we will have several Poppy Appeal products on sale, such as poppies, pin badges, wristbands and stationery – the recommended donations for the products range from 50p to £2.00. These items will be on sale in the classroom for children to buy should they wish.

Any children who are a member of the Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts organisations may wear their uniform to school on <u>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023</u>.



# REMINDER: Nasal Spray Flu Vaccination - Tuesday 14th November 2023

The immunisation nurses will be in school on <u>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023</u> to give the nasal spray flu vaccination to those children in all year groups that have <u>parental consent</u>. Please <u>follow this link</u> to complete an online consent form, thank you.

### REMINDER: Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings - November 2023

Parents Evening

Just a reminder, if you have not done so already and wish to discuss your child's progress, please click on your child's class below to book your slot at the Parent Teacher Consultation Evening. Thank you.

- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November (<u>all</u> classes)
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November (1RP, 4MR and 6KG only)
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November (all classes)

<u>RCM</u>
<u>1RP</u>
<u>2JP</u>
<u>3<b>G</b>W</u>
<u>4KC</u>
<u>5LG</u>
<u>6RC</u>



# <u> ParentPay – Current Online Payments</u>

• Year 3 Visit to RSPB Bempton Cliffs, Bridlington – OVERDUE



### Flyers on the School Website

Community flyers added to the school website this week are listed below. All flyers can be found by <u>clicking on this link</u>

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

- Kidslingo FUN French Clubs (in Children's Clubs, French)
- Dan Ward School-based Tutoring (in Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp, Tutoring)
- SEND Pop in Coffee Morning (in Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp, SEND)
- Free Parenting Clinics Autumn (under Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp, Parenting Clinics)
- Free Parenting Clinics-November, Anxiety (under Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp, Parenting Clinics)

Dates for your	Autumn Term 2023 Diary ( <del>→</del> New Diary Item)	
	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November – School Re-opens After October Half-Term Holiday (8.45-8.50 am)	
	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November — PTA Meeting, 7.00 pm	
	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November – Year 3 Visit to Bempton Cliffs	
Darbe	Tuesday $7^{ ext{th}}$ November – Reception Admissions Meeting for September 2024, 5.30 pm	
	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November — Year 5 Evacuee Day	
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	ember — Remembrance Day	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> No	vember — Immunisation Nurse in school – Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> No	vember – Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings – all classes	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	November – Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings – 1RP, 4MR & 6KG only	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> N	ovember – Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings – all classes	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Nove	mber – Children in Need Non-Uniform Day (information to follow)	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Nove	mber – Non-Uniform Day in exchange for Chocolate Tombola for the PTA Christmas Fayre	
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> N	ovember — PTA Christmas Fayre, 10.00 am — 2.00 pm <i>(see separate letter)</i>	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	ember – PTA Christmas Wreath Making Workshop, 6.30 pm <u>Click here</u>	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December — Year 6 Performance 'The Greatest Showman', 1.30 pm and 6.30 pm (letter to follow)		
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December — Choir and Violin Music Concert (letter to follow)		
➔ Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	& Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December — Reception 'Nativity' Performance (letter to follow)	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	December - Year 3 Festive Afternoon (letter to follow)	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> De	ecember – Year 6 Visit to East Riding Theatre	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> De	ecember – Christmas Visit to St Barnabas Church	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> De	cember — Reception, Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party (letter to follow)	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> De	cember — Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party (letter to follow)	
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Do	ecember — Year 2 Polar Express Day <i>(letter to follow)</i>	
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dece	ember — School Closes for Christmas Holiday (3.20 pm)	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 – School Re-opens After Christmas Holiday (8.45–8.50 am)		

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely Hestephenem

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