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PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



REMINDER: Non-Uniform Day in Support of the PTA Christmas Fayre

TOMORROW Friday 24th November

All the children are invited to take part in a non-uniform day tomorrow, **Friday 24th November** in exchange for a donation to the PTA Christmas Fayre's 'Chocolate Tombola'. Thank you for your support!



REMINDER: PTA Christmas Fayre – Saturday 25th November, 10.00 am to 2.00 pm

The PTA Christmas Fayre is this **Saturday 25th November** from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm. There will be lots of stalls selling Christmas goodies and it is FREE entry!

The café will be open for bacon sandwiches, sausage sandwiches, hot dogs and drinks between 10.00 am – 2.00 pm.

Santa will be in his Grotto between 11.00 am and 1.00 pm. Tickets are **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. You may be able to get to see Santa on the day by queueing, but this will depend on availability, time and how many presents he has left.

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 Year 4 Classrooms from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm.

If you have not done so already, do not forget to purchase your **Raffle Tickets!** As well as purchasing the tickets sent home, they will be for sale on the day too! There are some super prizes and, at £1.00 a ticket, it represents great value should you win!! **Any tickets sent home should be returned (sold or unsold) to the School Office tomorrow, Friday 24th 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: Coffee & Chat – Monday 27th November 2023 at 2.00–3.15 pm

Our Inclusion Team are hosting a Coffee and Chat for Parent/Carers of children with additional needs on Monday 27th November between 2.00 – 3.15 pm. This will be held in the small hall so please enter via reception.

At this event, we will be inviting a range of stakeholders who can talk about their services and what they have on offer to Parents/Carers. This will also be a great opportunity to network with other Parents/Carers as well. Attending this event will be SENDIASS, FISH, Special Stars, Aim Higher, Kids and hopefully many more! We hope you can join us. Please RSVP to gillian.fountain@swanlandschool.co.uk or jo.bloxam@edukos.co.uk



Year 4 Bake Sale – Tuesday 28th November, 3.20 to 3.45 pm

Don't forget to visit Year 4's Bake Sale after school where the children will be selling home-made biscuits and buns that they have brought in from home! Prices will vary and small change would be appreciated.



Support Ready Steady Read's 2023 Christmas Book Collection!

Ready Steady Read is a small Hull charity providing literacy support to children who struggle with their reading ability and confidence and are hosting a book collection – please see separate flyer for more information and/or [click here](#).

If you have any new or unwanted good quality children's books suitable for children aged 4–11; please drop them at the School Office by Thursday 7th December 2023. Thank you.



Hull Women's Aid – Christmas Gift Appeal!

Women's Aid is a charity which provides safe accommodation and refuge for women and children fleeing domestic abuse.

After the fantastic response in previous years, Miss Platten is organising another Christmas gift appeal to support this wonderful charity. If you would like to make a donation of new gifts, such as toys, games or toiletries, these can be dropped off (unwrapped) at Swanland Primary School by Monday 11th December 2023.

Thank you so much! Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas!



'Save the Children' Non-Uniform 'Christmas Jumper Day' – Wednesday 20th December 2023

On Wednesday 20th December, it will be non-uniform day in support of Save the Children. The children may wear a Christmas jumper, Christmassy coloured clothes or a Christmas accessory. Voluntary donations would be very gratefully received for this great cause. Thank you.

Christmas Parties!

Please see separate letters sent today (Reception, Years 1 and 2 letter to follow), regarding the forthcoming Christmas parties in December! 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.





'Children in Need' Non-Uniform Day – still time to donate!

So far, we have raised **£315.50** towards Children in Need – thank you! If you have not had a chance to donate yet, there is still time to make your donation [via this link](#). The link will remain open until Friday 1st December 2023.



On Friday 17th November, Children in Need Day, the full school took part in a Burpee Challenge. The children did burpees for 1 minute.

The School Council competition 'Guess the number of Spots on the picture' was a great success and raised **£120.00** for Children in Need. Congratulations to the children with the closest guesses. The Reception/KS1 winner was in RCM and KS2 winners were from 4KC and 6RC. Well done!



Thank you all for your support towards Children in Need!



School Trends – Black Friday Sale!

Starting 22nd November, School Trends are giving 15% OFF their entire range with offer code **BF15**. Sale ends 27th November. [Click here for more details](#).

ParentPay – Current Online Payments

- School Council Christmas Movie Night – due Friday 1st December 2023
- Reception 'The Nativity' Performance – due Wednesday 6th December 2023
- Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party – due Friday 8th December 2023
- Year 5 Christmas Movie Afternoon – due Friday 8th December 2023
- Year 6 Christmas Movie Afternoon – due Friday 8th December 2023
- Year 6 Performance 'The Children Have Talent' Show' – due Friday 8th December 2023
- Year 6 Visit to York's Chocolate Story – due Friday 8th December 2023
- Year 2 Scooter Awareness Programme – due Tuesday 9th January 2024

Please note, deadlines for events will no longer be extended. Once the deadline has passed, ticket sales will be closed. Thank you.

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.

- East Yorkshire Parent Carer Forum [click here](#) (under Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp – SEND)
- Understanding Addictive Behaviour, 30th November (under Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp – SEND)
- Free Parenting Clinics inc. 7th Dec, Emotions (under Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp – Parenting Clinics)
- Endorphins Holiday Clubs (under Children's Clubs – Christmas Holidays)
- Flex Dance Funded Winter Camps (under Children's Clubs – Christmas Holidays)
- Debutots Christmas Holiday Camp [click here](#) (under Children's Clubs – Christmas Holidays)
- Men in Sheds Christmas Fair, 2nd December (under Days Out, Ent & Misc – Days Out)
- Christmas Gift Appeal (under Supporting Charities – Hull Women's Aid)



Dates for your



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

Friday 24th November – Non-Uniform Day in exchange for Chocolate Tombola for the PTA Christmas Fayre

Saturday 25th November – PTA Christmas Fayre, 10.00–2.00 pm

Saturday 25th November – Year 4 Primary Enterprise Stalls, 10.00–1.00 pm

Monday 27th November – Coffee & Chat, 2.00–3.15 pm

Tuesday 28th November – Year 6 South Hunsley School Transition Visit

Tuesday 28th November – Year 4 Bake Sale from 3.20–3.45 pm

Tuesday 5th December – Year 6 South Hunsley School Transition Visit

Tuesday 5th December – PTA Christmas Wreath Making Workshop, 6.30 pm [Click here](#)

~~Thursday 7th December – Christmas Jumper Day for ‘Save the Children’~~ **MOVED TO 20TH DECEMBER**

Friday 8th December – School Council Christmas Movie Night

Monday 11th December – Year 4 Making Craft Products – 9.00–11.00 am

Monday 11th December – Year 6 Performance ‘The Children Have Talent’ Show’, 1.30 pm and 6.30 pm (*see separate letter*)

Tuesday 12th December – Joint Choir/Strings Music Concert, 3.45–4.45 pm

Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th December – Reception ‘The Nativity’ Performance (*see separate letter*)

Wednesday 13th December – Year 3 Festive Afternoon, 2.15–3.15 pm

Thursday 14th December – Year 6 Visit to East Riding Theatre

Thursday 14th December – Christmas Visit to St Barnabas Church for Reception & KS1

Friday 15th December – Christmas Visit to St Barnabas Church for KS2

→ Friday 15th December – Year 6 Visit to York’s Chocolate Story (*see separate letter*)

Monday 18th December – Santa by the Pond – Swanland Primary School Choir performing, 6.30 pm

→ Tuesday 19th December – Visit from The Schools’ Music Service Instrumental Group – Christmas Concert

Tuesday 19th December – Reception, Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party (*letter to follow*)

Tuesday 19th December – Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party (*see separate letter*)

→ Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day for ‘Save the Children’

Thursday 21st December – Year 2 Polar Express Day (*letter to follow*)

Thursday 21st December – Year 6 Christmas Movie afternoon (*see separate letter*)

Friday 22nd December – Year 5 Christmas Movie afternoon (*see separate letter*)

Friday 22nd December – School Closes for Christmas Holiday (3.20 pm)

Tuesday 9th January 2024 – School Re-opens After Christmas Holiday (8.45–8.50 am)

→ Monday 22nd January 2024 – Year 2 Scooter Awareness Training

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson

Head Teacher