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14th December 2023

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



REMINDER – Santa by the Pond – Monday 18th December 2023

The choir will be performing at the 'Santa by the Pond' event this year! The event is on Monday 18th December at Swanland Pond and Village Hall where the children will be singing at 6.30 pm and will be performing for approximately 15 minutes. It would be lovely if you could show your support on the night.

In addition to this, the Christmas postcard competition entries will be displayed and prizes awarded.



Visit from The Schools' Music Service Instrumental Group – Tuesday 19th December 2023

We are excited to announce The School's Music Service Instrumental Group will be visiting our school on Tuesday 19th December to perform a Christmas Concert to all our classes. The performance should last approximately 45 minutes and we hope the children find this a rewarding and enjoyable experience.



Save the Children
**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**

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

On Wednesday 20th December, the same day as our Christmas Dinner, we will have a non-uniform day in support of Save the Children. The children may wear a Christmas jumper, Christmassy clothes or Christmas accessories. Voluntary donations would be very gratefully received for this great cause.

REMINDER: Christmas Parties and Party Clothes!

Please see separate letters on the [school website](#) regarding the forthcoming Christmas parties in December! The children are asked to bring their **PARTY CLOTHES** into school in a labelled bag on their party day, so that they can change into them after lunch.

- Tuesday 19th December – Reception, Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party
- Tuesday 19th December – Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party
- Thursday 21st December – Year 6 Christmas Movie afternoon
- Friday 22nd December – Year 5 Christmas Movie afternoon

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 20th December 2023 will be given to a local charity.





Music Lessons

For those pupils receiving lessons through the East Riding Schools' Music Service, there will be no more music lessons after tomorrow; they will commence again from Tuesday 9th January 2024.



Support Ready Steady Read's 2023 Christmas Book Collection – Thank you!

Thank you to all the Parents that donated books for the Ready Steady Read appeal.

They popped a message on Twitter saying *One of our trustees has just collected all these fab books from @SwanlandPS. Thank you so much for your generosity and support!*

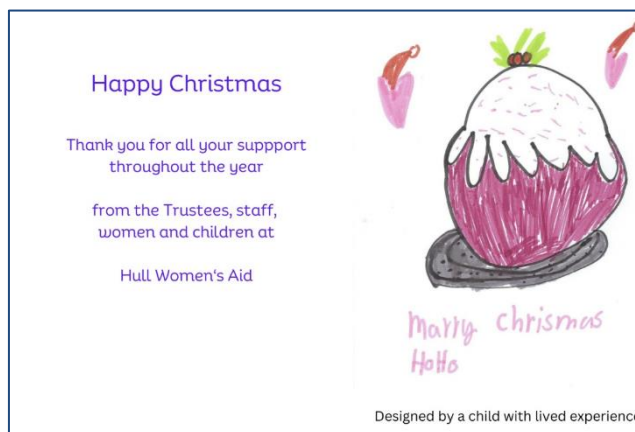


Hull Women's Aid – Christmas Gift Appeal – Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone who kindly donated to this year's Christmas gift appeal for Hull Women's Aid. It has been a fantastic success and the amount of gifts received has been wonderful.

Hull Women's Aid is an amazing charity which supports women and children who have fled domestic abuse and these gifts will ensure that they will have something special to open on Christmas Day.

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



ParentPay – Current Online Payments

- Year 2 Polar Express Non-Uniform Pyjama Day – due Thursday 14th December 2023
 - Year 2 Scooter Awareness Programme – due Tuesday 9th January 2024
 - Year 4 Residential to Cranedale – Final Payment – due Thursday 1st February 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.

under Children's Clubs – Christmas Holidays:

- Abilite HAF Multi-Activity Xmas Camps
- Endorphins Holiday Clubs (free HAF spaces)
- HAF Holiday Activities and Food – Programme letter
- HAF Holiday Activities and Food – Haltemprice and Cottingham

under Education Opportunities/Lifestyle Improvement – SEND:

- FACE Newsletter January 2024
 - Supporting a Child with ADHD
- SEND East Riding Local Offer Bulletin – [click here](#)

CURRENT VACANCIES – Midday Supervisor



We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor, preferred days being Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday (some or all of those days).

The position is working for 1 hour 20 minutes between 11.55 am to 1.15 pm, term-time only. The successful applicant would be supervising the children during the lunch break on the playground, in the classroom (if it is wet!) or in the dining hall whilst the children are eating their dinners.

If you, or anyone you know, is/are interested in this vacancy, please see further details on [our school website](#). **Closing date: Friday 12th January 2024 at 3.30 pm.**

Dates for your



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

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

Friday 15th December – Year 6 Visit to York's Chocolate Story

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

Tuesday 19th December – Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party

Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day for 'Save the Children'

Thursday 21st December – Year 2 Polar Express Day

Thursday 21st December – Year 6 Christmas Movie afternoon

Friday 22nd December – Year 5 Christmas Movie afternoon

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

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

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