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25th January 2024

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



PTA Update

We were so excited last week to receive 18 new iPads for use in ICT and other lessons. This half-class set was funded through PTA fundraising events including the Summer Fete, the Christmas Fair, Christmas card orders and many other events. So, a really big “thank you” from myself and Mrs Patrick to the PTA Committee; it is a very small but very hardworking group. Thank you to Helen McClane, Laura Miskin, Louise Greensmith, Nicola Coates and Chloe Thompson. Thank you also to everyone else who helped at or attended the PTA events; volunteering at these events really helps if we are to continue to run these successfully.

As we say, this is a small group so anyone else who can help out with organising events, please do let us know as we have had to reduce the amount of events owing to low committee member numbers. The kind of things you can help with are advertising, contacting companies for help, getting raffle prizes from companies and thinking of new ideas to help us run the events. If this is something you are interested in, please send an email to ptaswanlandschool@gmail.com

Tabletop Sale – Saturday 3rd February 2024, 9.30 am – 2.30 pm

Bryony Cooper (Mrs Cooper's daughter) is going to Uganda in August to support children living there. Before she can go, she has to raise money to help build a park for these children. She has organised a Tabletop Sale at Swanland School in the Great Hall on Saturday 3rd February.



TABLETOP SALE
Saturday 3rd February 9:30am-2:30pm
At Swanland School (indoors)

Refreshments will be available to buy throughout the day.
All profits from refreshments and table entries will go to the children in Uganda for them to be able to have a park to play in

Sellers

- To sell your items it is £5 for a table
- Everything you make from the day, you keep
- If you have booked a table, you can start setting up from 9am
- Anyone selling can park in the car park

Non-Sellers

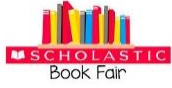
- You are welcome to come and have a look around and purchase items from peoples tables
- Please park on the road nearby
- Feel free to just turn up, look around, have a coffee, cake or sandwich or/and do some shopping!

If you are wanting to sell anything, please contact Ruth Cooper at ruthcooper1983@outlook.com to book a table £5 for your space must be paid by Saturday 27th January

Enriching disadvantaged children's lives through play

If you would like to book a table (for £5) please let Mrs Cooper know (ruthcooper1983@outlook.com) or if you just want to come for cake and a coffee (for sale in the Small Hall) and a browse, you don't need to let anyone know, you can just turn up on the day. Thank you.

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Scholastic Book Fair – starting Tuesday 27th February 2024!

Swanland Primary School are holding a Scholastic Book Fair (please see separate flyer) from Tuesday 27th February 2024 for 5 days. The children will receive a World Book Day Voucher in due course, and they will be able to spend this voucher at the Book Fair prior to World Book Day which is on Thursday 7th March 2024.



WE ARE HOLDING A COMPETITION! TRY AND WIN A £5 BOOK VOUCHER!

To promote the joy of reading, children are invited to participate in designing a bookmark highlighting their favourite book. This is an opportunity for the children to use their imagination and display their artistic talents. We are excited to see the finished bookmarks!

Entries are to be handed in to Mrs Palmer by **Monday 19th February 2024.**



Mother's Day Shop Update – Friday 8th March 2024

Thank you very much to those of you who have offered to help with the running of the PTA Mother's Day shop. We are happy to announce that this event will be able to go ahead, and we hope to hold the sale on Friday 8th March 2024. A member of the PTA committee will be in touch with those volunteers regarding arrangements for helping at this event and a letter to Parent/Carers will follow next month.



REMINDER: OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

A very big thank you to those families who have already bought items from our Amazon Wishlist. The Amazon Wishlist is still open, so if you can assist at all, we would really appreciate any donations from individuals or companies that would like to support our school.

[Click here to see our Amazon Wishlist.](#)

We have received a great scooter ramp and wish to set up a track for the younger children but really need bike helmets before we can do this. If you have any old bike helmets at home that you can donate, it will be very much appreciated.

Also, we have received a flat-pack shed from our wish-list, if you have any flat-pack building skills and can spare an hour or two to help us build it, please let us know. Thank you.

ParentPay – Current Online Payments

- Year 4 Performance 'Robin Hood' Tickets – due Wednesday 31st January 2024
- Year 4 Residential to Cranedale – Final Payment – due Thursday 1st February 2024
- Year 3 Pre-History Workshop Day – due Thursday 1st February 2024
- Year 2 Visit to Hull Street Life Museum – due Thursday 8th February 2024
- Year 3 Sleepover – due Thursday 8th February 2024
- Year 5 Residential to Robinwood – Final Payment – due Wednesday 28th 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.

- **KTO February Half-Term Holiday Camps** (*under Children's Clubs, February Half Term Holidays*)
- **Understanding the Teenage Brain, 22nd January** (*under Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp – SEND*)
- **Acceptance & Commitment Therapy, 23rd January** (*under Education Opps/Lifestyle Imp – SEND*)

Dates for your



Spring Term 2024 Diary (→ [New Diary Item](#))

Thursday 1st February – Year 6 Growing Up Talk (*see separate letter*)

→ Saturday 3rd February – Tabletop Sale, 9.30 am – 2.30 pm

Monday 5th February – Year 4 Performance 'Robin Hood' (2.00 pm & 6.30 pm)

Wednesday 7th February – Year 3 Prehistory Day

Friday 9th February – School Closes for Half-Term (3.20 pm)

Monday 19th February – School Re-opens after Half-Term (8.45–8.50 am)

Monday 19th February–Friday 1st March – Year 5 Bikeability Training

Tuesday 20th February – Parent Teacher Consultation Evening (all classes)

Wednesday 21st February – Parent Teacher Consultation Evening (1RP only)

Thursday 22nd February – Parent Teacher Consultation Evening (all classes)

Friday 23rd February – Year 3 Sleepover (*see separate letter*)

Tuesday 27th February – Year 2 Visit to Hull Street Life Museum (*see separate letter*)

Tuesday 27th February–Monday 4th March – Book Fair (*see separate flyer*)

Friday 1st March – PTA Race Night (*details to follow*)

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day! (*details to follow*)

Friday 8th March – PTA Mother's Day Shop (*details to follow*)

Monday 11th March – Class Photographs (not Year 6)

Monday 11th March – PTA Meeting – All Welcome! (7.00 pm)

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day (*details to follow*)

Tuesday 19th March – Year 1 Performance 'Rise and Shine' (10.00 am)

Wednesday 20th March – Year 1 Performance 'Rise and Shine' (10.00 am)

Wednesday 20th March – PTA's Big Easter Egg Giveaway 2024! (*details to follow*)

Thursday 21st March – Year 2 Willy Wonka Day (*details to follow*)

Thursday 21st March – Odd Sock Day for Down Syndrome Day (*details to follow*)

Thursday 21st March–Friday 22nd March – Year 4 Residential Visit to Cranedale

Friday 22nd March – School Closes for Easter Holidays (3.20 pm)

Tuesday 9th April – School Re-opens after Easter Holidays (8.45–8.50 am)

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Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson
Head Teacher