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22nd February 2024

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



REMINDERS: PTA Race Night and Mother's Day Shop

Don't forget, you can still purchase your tickets, buy a horse (you don't have to attend Race Night to become a horse owner for the evening) or sponsor a race for the **PTA Race Night on Friday 1st March 2024!** This is a fun event enjoyed by all! Perhaps you can get a group together to attend the evening?



Also available are tickets for the PTA **Mother's Day Shop on Friday 8th March 2024,** where your child(ren) will have the opportunity to buy a 'secret' present for Mum (Grandma or whoever they wish to give a present to on Mother's Day) during the school day, to give as a surprise on the big day.



Tickets for both events may be purchased via the PTA's online payment website at: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/swanland> NOT via ParentPay nor with cash/cheque to the School Office.

The deadline for purchasing tickets for Race Night is **Friday 23rd February at 11.00 am** and for purchasing vouchers for the Mother's Day shop is **Friday 1st March at 11.00 am.**



REMINDER: Book Review

As per previous newsletters, we would like children to write a Book Review of a book that they have read from our School Library. We have already received a few Book Reviews and look forward to reading them all and displaying them in the Library. All Book Reviews to be handed in by **tomorrow, Friday 23rd February 2024.**



REMINDER: 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 on Friday 23rd February 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. For more information on how to redeem your £1 voucher and the books/events available, please visit [World Book Day](#).



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BOOKMARK COMPETITION – WINNER!

We received many amazing bookmarks showing great imagination and artistic talent which made judging very difficult, however we are happy to announce that 5 winners have been chosen and those children will each receive a £5 Book Fair Voucher in tomorrow's assembly! Well done to everyone that entered!



REMINDER: OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)

A very big thank you to those families who have already bought items from our Amazon Wishlist. We have added some new items. 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](#). Thank you.

Vehicles Idling

It has been brought to our attention that some Parent/Carers who are driving their children to school in a morning are leaving their vehicle idling (leaving a vehicle's engine running while it is stationary). While this is often because of everyday traffic, there are some instances, such as waiting for children outside or near school, when idling is not necessary. When parked up, please avoid idling in the school area to reduce air and noise pollution by turning your engine off. Exhaust fumes are not only bad for the environment but can also contribute to health problems of those in the area, such as childhood asthma. Thank you.



ParentPay – Current Online Payments

- Year 5 Residential to Robinwood, Final Payment – before Wednesday 28th February 2024
- Year 6 Bikeability Training – before Monday 29th April 2024
- Year 6 Residential to Cober Hill, Final Payment – before Tuesday 30th April 2024

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

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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.

- 'Arkut Bros' at Swanland Village Hall, 24th February (*under Days Out, Entertainment*)
- Trauma Informed Parenting Training, 25th February (*under Education Opps – Trauma*)
- 'Catherine Terry' at Swanland Village Hall, 2nd March (*under Days Out, Entertainment*)
- Understanding Anger, 11th March (*under Education Opps – SEND*)
- Addictive Behaviour, 21st March (*under Education Opps – SEND*)
- FACE Newsletter March 2024 (*under Education Opps – SEND*)

Dates for your



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

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

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

Friday 23rd February – Year 3 Sleepover

Tuesday 27th February – Year 2 Visit to Hull Street Life Museum

Tuesday 27th February–Monday 4th March – Book Fair

Friday 1st March – PTA Race Night

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day!

Friday 8th March – PTA Mother's Day Shop

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

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

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day – wear something funny for money (*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)

} (*details to follow*)

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)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson
Head Teacher