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8<sup>th</sup> February 2024

## PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer

**BIOMASS  
BOILER  
HOUSE**

### Biomass Boiler

From time to time, the Biomass Boiler, which is the wooden clad building situated in our Carpark, burns off dust which results in sparks being seen coming out of the chimney. This should stop after a few minutes. If you notice this happening and it stops after a few minutes, it is nothing to worry about.

Are your  
**CONTACT  
DETAILS**  
up to date?

### Email and Text Test

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, we sent out a test email and test text message to Contact's 1 and 2. If you did not receive the email or text, please contact [adminsupport@swanlandschool.co.uk](mailto:adminsupport@swanlandschool.co.uk)

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**  
7 MARCH 2024

### World Book Day – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024

On 7<sup>th</sup> March it is World Book Day and to celebrate this, we are going to be holding a shared reading session. All children will join other children in a mixed age group to share their favourite picture book. We are asking every child in school to bring their favourite picture book or short story to school on 7<sup>th</sup> March, something that is suitable for any age in school. If you don't have a picture book that is suitable you could access the public library or the school library. Please ensure the book is labelled with your child's name as it may get mixed up with other children's books and that way we can make sure it gets back to you.

In the afternoon, children will join different groups from their House team to read with older children reading to younger children.

Parents  
Evening

### REMINDER: Parent Teacher Consultation Evenings – February 2024

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 20<sup>th</sup> February (all classes)
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February (1RP only)
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February (all classes)

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[2SP/MP](#)  
[3SM](#)  
[4MR](#)  
[5DR](#)  
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[1RP](#)  
[2JP](#)  
[3GW](#)  
[4KC](#)  
[5LG](#)  
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### **REMINDER: 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 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024.**



### **REMINDER: Book Review**

We would like children to write a Book Review of a book that they have read from our School Library. Writing a book review helps children to deepen their understanding of the text and encourages them to think more deeply and carefully about what it is they have read. A review is a sneak peek at a book, and should:

- Start with the Title and the Author
- Include a summary of the story: What is the book about? (remember not to say the ending). Explain/describe the story using adjectives. What did you like/dislike about the book? Do you have a favourite character? Perhaps add an illustration.
- Give an opinion of the book and whether you would recommend the book and who to? Perhaps give the book a star rating out of 5.

We look forward to reading the Book Reviews, and those that are handed in will be put on display in the Library. All Book Reviews to be handed in by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024.**



### **REMINDER: Scholastic Book Fair – starting Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024!**

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



### **PTA Race Night Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

Don't forget, you can still purchase your tickets, buy a horse or sponsor a race for the PTA Race Night on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March! Tickets 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. In the past, this was a successful, fun event enjoyed by all! Perhaps you can get a group together to attend the evening?

#### **... Buying A Horse**

You don't have to attend Race Night to become a horse owner for the evening! For just £3 you have the opportunity to name your horse and get your (or your child's) name on the race card. Owners of winning horses will receive a fantastic confectionery prize! To buy a horse, attend the evening or sponsor a race, log on to the PTA's online payment website: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/swanland>!

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### **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.



### **Indoor Athletics Champions**

Congratulations to children in Years 4, 5 and 6 that competed in the Indoor Athletics event at South Hunsley School and won! The events for the different year groups involved: running, jumping and throwing; against 7 other schools in the Hunsley Partnership.

The Year 5/6 team will now represent the South Hunsley Partnership in the next round later in the year. Well done!



### **ParentPay – Current Online Payments**

• Year 5 Residential to Robinwood – Final Payment – due Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> 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.*

- **FACE Newsletter March 2024** (*under Education Opportunities, SEND*)
- **Kidslingo Fun FRENCH Clubs** (*under Children's Clubs, French*) Note: **KS1 CLUB IS FULL**
- **Fit4Fun Schools Out!** (*under Children's Clubs, February Half-Term Holidays*)
- **Dan Ward School Based Tutoring** (*under Education Opportunities, Tutoring*)

Trans Pennine Trail Kids Half Term Activity Pack – [click here](#)



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

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – School Closes for Half-Term (3.20 pm)

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

→ Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – National Child Measurement Programme – Reception Children

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February–Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Year 5 Bikeability Training

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February – Parent Teacher Consultation Evening (all classes)

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Parent Teacher Consultation Evening (1RP only)

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Parent Teacher Consultation Evening (all classes)

→ Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – National Child Measurement Programme – Year 6 Children

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Year 3 Sleepover

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Year 2 Visit to Hull Street Life Museum

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February–Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Book Fair

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March – PTA Race Night

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day!

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March – PTA Mother's Day Shop (*see separate letter*)

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Class Photographs (not Year 6)

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – PTA Meeting – All Welcome! (7.00 pm)

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Red Nose Day – wear something funny for money (*details to follow*)

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

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} (*details to follow*)

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

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

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

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March–Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Year 4 Residential Visit to Cranedale

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – School Closes for Easter Holidays (3.20 pm)

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

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson

Head Teacher