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## PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer



### **EXCEPTIONAL. TOGETHER.**

#friendly, #growth, #trust

I do hope that this short message finds all our extended families well and looking forward to the summer months (we just need the weather to catch us up!).

I am really pleased to be able to share with you, examples of where our Trust visions and values have been demonstrated over the past few months.

Schools have been working hard **TOGETHER** on embedding the visions and values of the Trust alongside their own school's vision and values. If you haven't seen anything in relation to your school's vision and values, please look at their website where you will be able to find out more.

There have been so many examples of where these values have been lived and breathed that it is hard for me to summarise succinctly. One thing that does stand out is the way in which our schools work on trips and visits. It was heartening to see Swanland and Dunswell collaborate on two residential trips this term. Year 4 to Cranedale and Year 5 to Robinwood. Here children had an **EXCEPTIONAL** experience **TOGETHER** with many #friendly interactions with new people allowing them to achieve their goals whilst placing #trust in those around them to help them with #growth in their confidence.

At the end of last year, we appointed Trust Subject Leaders who lead on subject specific areas across all schools. We have been really pleased with the contribution these leaders have made towards the work on the Trust's spine curriculum.

Our Trust Ambassadors from Years 4, 5 and 6 have met on several occasions this year and have worked **TOGETHER** to develop strategies and ideas around their wellbeing. We look forward to sharing more about their work in the coming months.

Staff have also had opportunities for #growth; working **TOGETHER** on the NPQLTD (National Professional Qualification for Leading Teacher Development) programme. This is delivered by Trust senior leaders, alongside Vantage Teaching School Hub and embodies the vision and values of Edukos Trust.

A #friendly yet **EXCEPTIONAL** way of delivering a programme that requires #trust from all involved to help develop the teachers and leaders within our organisation.

Finally, we're looking forward to coming **TOGETHER** with all those in a governance roll for our inaugural Governance Conference in September. This will be a great opportunity for Trustees, Governors and leaders to collaborate in their respective role.

As the summer term starts drawing to a close, leaders within the Trust are working closely to bring **TOGETHER** a strong plan for the new academic year, whilst also preparing to say goodbye to our oldest children in schools. We know that the firm foundations provided by their schools will allow them to go forth with confidence having been given the chance for #growth in all that they have done in their time at an Edukos Trust school.

I wish you a very happy, enjoyable and hopefully restful summer break.

Chris Huscroft | CEO

## UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Festival of Arts & Sports at South Hunsley School [CLICK HERE](#)

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July – 5LG Visit to Tophill Low [CLICK HERE](#)

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>–Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Cober Hill Residential Visit [CLICK HERE](#)

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>–Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Year 4 Swimming Lessons [CLICK HERE](#)

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July – 5DR Visit to Tophill Low [CLICK HERE](#)



### OPAL House Bingo!

We are setting a challenge for all our children to complete. Each 'House' (Griffin/Basilisk/Dragon/Unicorn) has been given an OPAL Bingo sheet (see separate flyer) and the challenge is to complete the whole OPAL Bingo sheet as a 'House'.

Every child that donates an item to school from their 'House' OPAL Bingo sheet will receive a counter for their team. Mrs Coates will cross off any items received on the main 'House' OPAL Bingo sheet (displayed in the Small Hall) and once the main 'House' OPAL Bingo sheet is complete, everyone in that 'House' will receive an extra playtime using the OPAL equipment.

Happy collecting! Thank you in advance.



### Scholastic Book Fair – starting Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024!

Swanland Primary School are holding a Scholastic Book Fair (please see separate flyer) from Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024, each day after school, with the last Fair on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

There are various ways to pay for any purchases, including a Cashless Payment Option, so you can pay for books whilst at the Fair using a QR code which will be on display.

There is something for every pocket on the Book Fair to assist with the rise in the cost of living and **approximately 30% of titles are under £5.**

The proceeds from our last Book Fair meant that Year 2 and Year 5 benefitted from having new sets of books for class reading which is amazing. We hope to see you there.

### 'Swanland Has Talent' – The Results!

To celebrate the diverse range of talents our children possess, Year 5 and Year 6 were centre stage in a talent show at the end of last week and what a great evening's fun entertainment it was! The Great Hall was full of family, friends and staff ready to support the 7 entries, which included singing, dancing and beat boxing! All 7 acts were amazing, showing such talent and confidence, so well done to all who entered!

*First place went to Emily and Duru (Year 6) who did an Emotional Lyrical Dance to 'Wishbone'*

*2<sup>nd</sup> place went to George (Year 5) for singing 'In the Stars'*

*3<sup>rd</sup> place went to Saul (Year 5) for his Beat Boxing*

Congratulations!

### Yorkshire 3 Peaks Walk Fundraiser Update



Last weekend the walking Mums (and Dads) who are raising funds to support the school walked the **National 3 Peaks** challenge. They have reached their fundraising goal but are still accepting donations if anyone would like to still sponsor them. They have a 'Go Fund Me' page set up, so please [click here](#). Thank you.





## PTA Summer Fete – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024 – Update!

We are happy to announce that we can have a Bouncy Slide and a Bouncy Castle at the Fete this year! Families can pre-order the wrist bands (£4 a ticket per child) which will allow access all evening and unlimited ‘goes’ on the slide and bouncy castle (bouncy castle sessions will be timed). We expect this to be a busy attraction, so please be aware a queueing system will be in place. Click on the following link to register (if you have not already done so) and buy tickets: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/swanland> Sales close at 12.00 pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July. Wrist bands will be given out at the end of the school day on the 12<sup>th</sup> July and can also be bought at the sweet stall at the Fete.



During the day the children will be able to visit the Year 6 Summer Games for a short time (separate letter sent last week – permission slip to be returned to school by Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July). This will give the children who are unable to attend the Fete after school the chance to ‘have a go’ on the Year 6 stalls. Children who want to play the games during the day will need to bring some change, such as 20p, 50p. They may win sweets and other small items which they can eat in school.



In the next few days, your child will bring home raffle tickets for the PTA Summer Fete. There are some super prizes and at £1 a ticket represents great value should you win!! Please help us in selling these tickets where you can, however, do not feel obliged to sell them all. Any that you do not manage to sell can be returned to the School Office where we can sell them on. Any tickets sold should also be returned to school no later than the end of the school day on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July so that they may be entered into the draw. Thank you.



Don't forget to sign up – the Summer Fete is dependent on volunteers! Thank you to those of you who have already signed up, however we desperately need volunteers in order to make this event a success. [Please click here to volunteer!](#)



### ParentPay – Current Online Payments

**Please be aware of any debt building up on your ParentPay accounts.** We would appreciate it if all ParentPay accounts are kept in credit and all parents ensure that adequate funds are always available on their accounts. Meals must be paid for in advance, therefore, if you are not entitled to Free School Meals, parents must ensure funds are available on their ParentPay account.

**ALL outstanding payments on your ParentPay account are to be paid by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024, including any future lunches up to and including Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July.** Thank you.

- Year 2 Performance ‘Minibeast Madness’ – ticket sales close Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024
- Year 3 Visit to Mappleton Beach – before Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024
- KS1 Zoolab Visit to School – before Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024

*Please note, deadlines for events will no longer be extended. Thank you.*



## Flyers on the School Website

Community flyers added to the school website this week can be found by [clicking on this link](#) then looking under Summer Term 2023–24, Second Half Summer Term Flyers.

*Disclaimer: Swanland Primary School does not endorse the following flyers; we are simply sharing the information.*

### CURRENT VACANCIES



If you, or anyone you know, is/are interested in the following vacancies, please see further details on our website at: [our school website](#) or on the [ERYC Recruitment Website](#)

#### **TEACHING ASSISTANT LEVEL 1**

Deadline for receipt of Applications – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 12.00 pm

### FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES

Dates  
for your



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

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July – School Olympics (*details to follow*)

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July – PTA Bag2School Collection [CLICK HERE](#)

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>–Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Book Fair

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July – Year 3 Visit to Mappleton Beach [CLICK HERE](#)

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>–Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Year 4 Swimming Lessons [CLICK HERE](#)

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 2 Performance ‘Mini Beasts’ (10.00 am) [CLICK HERE](#)

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5 Poetry Recital Afternoon (2.00 pm) (*see separate letter*)

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Year 2 Performance ‘Mini Beasts’ (10.00 am) [CLICK HERE](#)

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Non-Uniform Day in exchange for Chocolate Tombola for PTA Summer Fete [CLICK HERE](#)

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – PTA Summer Fete [CLICK HERE](#)

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Zoolab Visit to School [CLICK HERE](#)

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>–Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 4 Swimming Lessons [CLICK HERE](#)

→ Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 2 ‘The Faraway Tree’ Class Picnic (*see separate letter*)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly (2.00 pm) (*details to follow*)

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – School Closes for Summer Holidays (3.20 pm)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson

Head Teacher