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19<sup>th</sup> December 2024

## PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Carer

### **UPCOMING DIARY DATES**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Year 5 Christmas Movie Afternoon [CLICK HERE](#)

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Christmas Movie Afternoon [CLICK HERE](#)

➔ Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Sweet and Drinks Stall after school (*see below*)

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – School Closes for Christmas Holiday (3.20 pm)

**Spring Term 2025 Diary (➔ [New Diary Item](#))**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January – School Re-opens After Christmas Holiday (8.45–8.50 am)

It has been quite an eventful last week of term for us at Swanland Primary School. The staff and I would like to pass on our thanks for your messages of support prior to and during our recent Ofsted visit and to those who completed the Parent View surveys. I am sure you will join me in wishing all the staff a very well deserved and restful Christmas break.

We have enjoyed many Christmas events in the past two weeks including our Year 6 Performance 'The X Factory', the Reception 'Nativity', a visit to Church to see their nativity, a visiting Pantomime (funded kindly by the PTA), a Christmas Instrumental music concert, Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner, the Choir singing at Waitrose Supermarket, the Year 3 Festive event and the various Christmas parties. It certainly has been a busy but fun time for everyone.

So, from all the staff at Swanland Primary School, we would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2025!



### **Sweets and Drinks Stall – [tomorrow, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024](#)**

Tomorrow, on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December after school, there will be a Sweets and Drinks stall on the playground, selling off the stock that is left over from the PTA Christmas Fair and other various events; including sweets, fizzy drinks and crisps. Items will range from 50p to £1.50. Some children may be able to visit the stalls before the end of school to ease queueing at the end of school but will not be able to eat or drink what they buy until after school. Children may bring their money into school in the morning (coins only please).

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### Thank you!

Thank you for your generous donations; the 'Save the Children' Christmas Jumper Day raised **£130.65** and the Choir performance at Waitrose plus the Instrumental Christmas Concert raised a total of **£181.53** towards school funds.



### PTA Christmas Shop – Thank you!



Thank you to members of the PTA for arranging another successful Christmas Shop. The children really enjoyed participating and choosing a gift. A big thank you to the mums who helped run the shop. This year this event raised just over **£200.00**. All fundraising proceeds will go towards raising funds for computing technology and outdoor equipment.

### Miss Welbourne returning to School



Miss Welbourne has returned to school this week after her maternity leave. She will work in Year 3 (Wednesday to Friday) with Miss Platten (Monday and Tuesday), and I am sure you will all give her a warm welcome back.

Thank you to Mr Pea who has been teaching in Year 3 whilst Miss Welbourne was off and to Mrs Greensmith who ran the choir.



### ParentPay – Current Online Payments

- School Council Movie Night – **due before** Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025
- Year 4 Residential to Cranedale (balance) – **due before** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025
- Year 5 Residential to Robinwood (balance) – **due before** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025

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

FLYERS & LEAFLETS

### 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 Autumn Term 2024–25, Second Half Autumn Term Flyers.

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



### FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES

Spring Term 2025 Diary (→ [New Diary Item](#))

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January – School Council Movie Night 'Inside Out 2' [CLICK HERE](#)

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January – Year 2 Scooter Training [CLICK HERE](#)

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January – PTA Bag2School Collection [CLICK HERE](#)

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February – Year 2 Amy Johnson Experience (*letter to follow*)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – School Closes for February Half Term (3.20 pm)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Hannah Stephenson  
Head Teacher