

Swanmore Primary School

Newsletter

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HEALTHY SCHOOLS

I'm delighted to tell you that after our successful validation visit last week we have been awarded the enhanced Healthy Schools status. This recognises the high priority we place on such activities as physical education, healthy snacks, friendship activities and positive emotional development.

A big thank you from me to all the children and staff for their continued hard work and to yourselves for your ever present support. Well done to Mrs Mundy for leading all of our healthy schools developments.

TYRE PARK

On 19th May we will be having a Tyre Trail installed next to the Play Trail to provide a fun way of getting back to the start of the Play Trail. I'm sure your children will be telling you all about it!



MORRIS DANCERS

Everyone enjoyed the dances performed by Wickham Morris and our own Morris side in the playground on 1st May. In the evening the children took part in the Mayday celebrations in Wickham Square to very appreciative audiences.



Thank you to Mr and Mrs Wheeler who train the dancers and well done to all the children who took part.

FOSPS - SUMMER FAIR FRIDAY, 13th JUNE 5.00- 8.00PM

The summer fair will soon be upon us. More detailed information will be sent out very soon, but until then we would like everyone to think of ways they can help:

- During the day to set up the fair.
- By manning a stall in the evening.
- By donating books, toiletries, plants, toys.
- By baking cakes
- By face painting



and finally by coming along in the evening to have a good time.

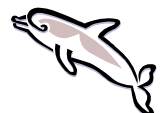
Any help, no matter how small, is greatly appreciated.

PLEASE COME PREPARED!

Please could your child/ren come to school prepared for the day. We have noticed a marked increase in the number of parents dropping off "forgotten" items, such as lunch boxes, PE kit or musical instruments during the day. This obviously takes up a lot of time for the Admin staff, and also disturbs the class. Thank you for your help in this matter.

YEAR 5 SWANAGE RESIDENTIAL VISIT

Everyone arrived safely, they are all wearing sun hats, sun glasses and are covered in sun tan lotion. They enjoyed a beautiful walk over the ridge into Swanage with blue skies all the way.



SWANMORE FUN RUN SUNDAY, 18 MAY 2008 HAVE YOU ENTERED YET?

The Fun Run is on Sunday, 18th May at 11.30am. This is the fifth year of the event and in the past it has always been a great fun event for everyone taking part.

Places are going fast, so if you haven't entered yet please send your form into school. You can send your entry forms into school until Wednesday 15th May or you can enter on the day (if there are still places left) on the school playground up until 11.00am.



If you have lost the entry form that was sent out with the newsletter before Easter, further forms are available from the school office or can be downloaded from the school website.

Thank you to everyone who has offered to marshal on the day. We still need more marshals if possible. If you would like to help out, please leave your name and phone number with the school office, or speak to one of the organisers on the morning of the run.

For further information please leave a message with the school office or speak to Ali or Chris Kalus, Tessa Philpott or Gill Cashell.

RECENT LETTERS

The following letters have recently been sent home. Extra copies are always available from the school office.

- ◇ Y6 Woods Visit
- ◇ Y6 Bivvy Camp
- ◇ YR DEST Permission Form
- ◇ Y4 Marwell Zoo

CARS FOR YEAR R

Thank you for all the musical instruments donated for the Year R music fence.

Year R would also be very grateful for any out-grown Little Tykes cars (the red and yellow one) in good condition please. Thank you for your help.

SUPER SCIENCE WEEK

Science Week was enjoyed by the whole school with lots of fun, practical activities and investigations. We also started to use our new science puppets, Discoverey Dog and Nora in the infants and Ricky and Benny in the juniors. (Thank you FOSPS!) Year 5 enjoyed their "habitats" topic and Year 1 delighted in finding out all about plants and how they grow.

Our week ended with an action packed science production by Quantum Theatre called "The Missing Link". The children learned lots of science and came away looking forward to their future topics and investigations.

INFANTS FUN SPORTS TUESDAY, 20th MAY

To encourage partnership between the infants and juniors Year 6 children will run the activities for the infant classes (Years R, 1 and 2) from 1.30pm.

This is a fun activity for all the infant children to take part in. More formal, competitive races are undertaken by the Junior children during their sports afternoon on 12th June.



We hope you will be able to come and support your child. Pre-school children are very welcome but for safety reasons please keep them with you at all times.

In order for the fun sports to start promptly at 1.30pm we shall be having an early lunch at 11.55am - 1.10pm for infants and 11.55am - 1.00pm for the juniors.

If the weather is hot could you please ensure that your child has a sun hat to wear and has sun tan lotion applied.

We are all looking forward to a fun afternoon!

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE AND DISPLAY OF LOST PROPERTY

Unfortunately last week's second hand uniform sale and display of lost property had to be postponed due to wet weather. We have now rescheduled this to take place next Tuesday, 13th May at 3.30pm at the front of the school. All second hand uniform items are 50p.

SCHOOL COUNCIL FRIENDSHIP COMPETITION

As always, the children were brilliant at designing some fantastic pictures for the Friendship Mosaic and the School Council found it very hard to choose the winners.

Well done to:

Abbie Millard	Y1HW
Aliyah Fall	Y1W
Anoushka Ross	Y2WS
Chloe Beeton	Y4A
Annabel Dillon	Y4A
Max Emery	Y4A
Phoebe Piper	Y4A
Phoebe Whelan	Y4A
Megan Haskins	Y4T
Katy Neill	Y4T
Benjamin Thackray	Y5D
Abby West	Y5D
Alice Morley	Y6H
Evie Phillips	Y6H

who have all had at least one part of their design chosen for the Mosaic. We will, hopefully, have the mosaic in place, on the outside of the kitchen wall, before the end of term.

TOPIC INFORMATION

Please find attached to this letter the Summer term's topic information which will give you more detail about the subjects being taught.

We hope you find this information useful. If you have any queries please contact your child's class teacher for more information.



CHILDREN'S MUSIC CONCERT IN ST BARNABAS CHURCH ON 21st MAY - CANCELLED

Unfortunately we have had to cancel the above Children's Music Concert. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

We will ensure that the children perform their musical pieces during our school assemblies, to give them the experience of playing to an audience.



French Connections! Day Trip to France



A day trip to Northern France is being organised for Swanmore Primary School children and their families on Saturday 28th June 2008.

The intention of the trip is to give the children and their families an opportunity to speak a little French, mix with French people and experience a little of the French culture.

It is planned that a coach full of adventurous families will leave school at 6am and travel via the Euro-tunnel to the outskirts of Calais. The day will be spent in a safe park/play area, where they will have fun and enjoy a picnic. There will be an opportunity to stop off at a hypermarket so anyone wishing to try out their French or purchase a few French products may do so! The coach will travel back to Swanmore arriving no later than 11pm.

The aim is that the cost will be approximately £25.00 per person.

If you and your family would be interested in taking part in what promises to be a great adventure, you will need to register your interest **BY FRIDAY 9TH MAY**, by contacting Anne Lamerton on:

Tel: 01489 896963 or 07814 831958
Email: anne.lamerton@gmail.com

Please note that this is not being organised by the School, however, they are in full support of this event.

French Connections Team

YEAR R - RETURN OF SONGS AND RHYMES MATERIALS

If you took part in the Songs and Rhymes sessions last year and have not yet returned the book and CD could you please do so as soon as possible. Thank you for your help.

TESCO COMPUTERS FOR SCHOOLS

Thank you to everyone who has already sent in the computer vouchers from Tesco. Thank you also to those parents who tirelessly count vouchers for us, including Mrs Bundy, Mrs Dyer, Mrs Rose, Mrs Rustell and Mrs Snook.

This year's Tesco promotion ends on Sunday, 11th May. Could you please send in the vouchers by the end of June so we can send off our order. Thank you for your help.



ADVERTS:

USBORNE BOOKS AT HOME - HEALTH EDUCATION BOOKS

Mrs Mason will be selling health education books to deal with those awkward questions, suitable for ages 9+. The books are recommended by BBC Radio 2 and Mr Bucknill at the Health Education meeting.

Growing Up £5.99;

Boys—What's Happening to me? £6.99;

Girls—What's Happening to me? (presently out of stock but orders taken)

Cash and cheques (payable to Marion Mason) accepted. Please complete an order form at Reception where the books can be viewed. (School earns commission on all purchases) For further details see Mrs Mason outside the Y1 classes or call 891002/07900 826034 or email marionjasmason@btinternet.com.

RUGBY WITH BISHOPS WALTHAM DYNAMOS AT HOE ROAD RECREATION GROUND

Do you want to "try" and be the new international rugby star. Why not join Bishops Waltham Dynamos at Hoe Road Recreation Ground every Sunday between 10.00 and 11.30am. They are taking all ages from 6 to 16 years of age, whatever your ability, boy or girl. All you need is boots, shin pads and enthusiasm. They give fun and enjoyment playing a sport that is forever growing. For further details call 07738 407741.

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY WEEKS AT ITCHEN VALLEY COUNTRY PARK

A week long adventure for 6-11 year olds exploring nature, playing games and creative arts from 28th July—1st August, 4th—8th and 11th—15th August. Times 9.30-3.15pm. Cost £70. For more information call 02380 466091.

MAY HALF TERM - SWIMMING COURSES AT RIDGEMEDE JUNIOR SCHOOL POOL

Beginner and intermediate swimming courses are held at Ridgemedede Junior School Pool, Oak Road, Bishops Waltham. Half hour classes from 9.00—11.00am daily, Tuesday, 27th - Friday, 30th May. Cost £20.00 per child for the 4-day course. To book your place please phone Lynne Bate on 01489 896102.

THE HAMPSHIRE GREEN FAIR - SUNDAY, 11th MAY 2008, 10.00 - 4.00PM

THE SUSTAINABILITY CENTRE, DROXFORD ROAD, EAST MEON, HANTS

The Fair takes place on Sunday, 11th May between 10.00am and 4.00pm, and includes live music, beer tent, local food, strawbale building demo, fun children's area, renewable technology, traditional rural skills, Tipi and Yurts. £3.00 adults, £1.50 children.



We only have a few more tables available for our Annual Village Ball, so, with only 6 weeks before the Big Event, there's still just time to purchase your tickets, if you haven't done so already. Don't forget the ticket price of £49 provides a full evening of entertainment including a drinks reception, a sumptuous buffet with wine, a live band and disco plus a fun casino, all held in the Primary School grounds within a stylish marquee.



We are hoping to raise lots of money for the school and the road safety charity BRAKE, which supports families who have been affected by serious road accidents involving their children.



Further details can be found on the school website www.swanmoreprimary.org.uk

The closing date for tickets is Friday, 16th May

Thank you for your support and we look forward to welcoming you to another great evening!
For more information contact :- swanmorevb@googlemail.com or Marion on 01489 892775

Please complete the box below with any comments you have about any aspect of school life.

If you would like us to get back to you about any issues please include your name and daytime telephone number.

Name