

Swanmore Primary School

Newsletter

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FOSPS - SUMMER FAIR

A big thank you to FOSPS for organising such a spectacular Summer Fair again this year. Well done to Liz Foggitt and Helen Pottle and their hard working team for making the evening such a success.

Also thank you to all parents and staff who helped set up and run the stalls and of course to everyone who kindly contributed items and those who attended. We hope you enjoyed it.

Please see attached note from FOSPS and collect any prizes from the school office. We also have a few bottles from the bottle stall ready for collection.

JUNIOR SPORTS

Once again we had a very exciting afternoon at the Junior Sports. Well done to everyone who took part and put such a lot of effort into the races.



Our thanks go to Swanmore College of Technology for allowing us, once again, to use their facilities, Mrs Atkinson for organising this event, the parents who kindly helped walk the children down to the College and, of course, to everyone who came to cheer on the children - your support was very much appreciated.

DOUBLE SUCCESS FOR SWANMORE AT DISTRICT SPORTS

FIELD AND TRACK EVENTS

These events, which involve all the local primary schools, took place recently and I am delighted to tell you that Swanmore won both trophies. Very well



done to all the children who took part for a superb effort. Thank you to all the parents who came along to support us.



YEAR 6 BIVVY CAMP

Thank you to all the Year 6 parents who kindly helped set up the Y6 Bivvy Camp. All the children had a great time.

Thank you also to all the Year 5 parents who very generously gave up their time to clean the bivvy equipment ready for next year - a vital job!

NEW PLAYGROUND CLOCK

You may have already seen the new clock situated on the wall of the year 5 classrooms. This was presented to the school by Mrs Mordecai as a leaving present. It has now been connected - keeping good time!

FRENCH DAY FRIDAY, 3rd JULY

We are holding a French Day on Friday, 3rd July for all year groups. This will involve many activities including eating in French cafes in the classrooms, talking to visitors and much much more.

It will be a "dress in French costume" day so get preparing French outfits or dress in red, white and blue. More information will be sent out soon.



SUPERMARKET VOUCHERS

This has been a bumper year for Tesco Vouchers, with over 20,000 collected.

We also had a great year for Sainsburys vouchers with over 30,000 collected.

Thank you to everyone who has kindly sent in vouchers. If you have any more at home please send them into school as soon as possible, so that we can send off our orders.

A big thank you to all those below who have tirelessly counted all the vouchers for us this year.

Ms Boyce
Mrs Dyer
Mrs Rustell
Mrs Snook



RECENT LETTERS

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

- ◇ YR parents meeting about transfer to Y1.
- ◇ Y6 visit to Portsmouth Cathedral.

DOGS

If you bring your dog to school when collecting your child(ren) could you please ensure that you tie the dog to the railings away from the entrances.



Some children are worried about dogs and are fearful of going so close to them at the gates. Thank you for your help.

BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS TOKENS

Just a reminder we are still collecting The Times newspaper "Books for Schools" tokens and the Nestlé "Box Tops for Books" cereal packet tokens. Please send these into the school office. Thank you for your help.

WATER BOTTLES

Just a reminder that children need to have their water bottles with them every day.

Could you please ensure the bottles are washed and filled with fresh water daily.



PARENTS PARKING

As you are aware parking is limited at the beginning and end of the school day and, unfortunately, we do not yet have marked parking bays in the car park. Could you, therefore, please park as efficiently as possible so that as many vehicles as possible can use the car park. Please do not use the staff car park. Thank you for your help.

GOODBYE MRS ATKINSON

After 20 years at Swanmore Primary School Mrs Atkinson will be retiring at the end of term. If you would like to contribute towards a gift for her please either call into the school office or send in a contribution in a sealed envelope marked "Mrs Atkinson's collection".

APPLICATIONS FOR UNIFORM GRANT FOR YEAR 6 MOVING ON TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Uniform Grant

You are able to claim money towards new school uniform if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits:



- Income Support,
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance,
- Support under part VI of the Asylum Act 1999,
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £15,575. Parents who receive Working Tax Credit in addition to Child Tax Credit do not qualify.
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit.

Please call into the school office for an application form.

YEAR 5 MOCK ELECTIONS

In Year 5 we have been gripped by election fever. Our mock elections actively engage all children by giving them the opportunity to stand as party candidates, run campaigns and, of course, be a team member in a party.

Our mock elections bring the ideas of democracy, government and citizenship to life.

The following paragraphs have been written by the 6 parties involved in the election. On Friday, 19th June all of the Juniors will be voting - so who will get your vote?



F.C.E. (Fantastic Classroom Equipment)

Can guarantee fun for everyone and you'll definitely want to vote for us!
Laptops, mini interactive whiteboards, desks and more!

You'll always want to come to school!
FCE is total fun for EVERYONE!

Vote for Sebastian and F.C.E.

Vote for C.D.F.G. Children deserve fun games.

We can give you a trampoline, extra space, basketball lessons, crazy golf and much much more because we believe in active children, fun and activities, giving you the best range of games you deserve.

So remember to vote for us! Go C.D.F.G!!!

*You're important and we know it.

*Vote for Ellie, vote for C.D.F.G.

We are the Friendship Buddies and we are here to help and improve your school environment.

By making a buddie stop for when you are upset or need a friend.

We promise to sort out your problems between you and your friends. And that is why we are called the Friendship Buddies.

So vote for us and then you can be our friend.
Thank you.

Vote for Emma, Vote for F.B.

Do you want better sporty games? Do you want better sporty equipment? Do you want better sports overall? Then Sportaschool is your party!

Jampacked with super-sports guaranteed to get extra fit.

We promise to give you perfect pitch markings, excellent equipment, thrilling trampolines, new great games and many many more organised sports sessions.

Just imagine the amazing sports that you could be doing.

So if you want these brilliant sports then

Vote for Rhianna and Sportaschool!!!!!!

Do you think that our school should be more green? Then vote for Annie and Environmental Kids.

We will provide solar panels and raise money for the rainforests being chopped down.

Vote for us

N. O. W.

We are N.O.W. which stands for Natural Outdoor Wonders.

If we come to power we promise we will build natural outdoor wonders into the school. These natural outdoor wonders include treehouses, TPs, bird sanctuaries and as well as all that an ice cream parlour full of natural flavours.

Vote for Tom and N.O.W. on Voting Day.

CLASS/TEAM PHOTOS MONDAY, 29th JUNE

This is to let you know that class and team photographs will be taken on the morning of Monday, 29th June, so could you please ensure that your child is wearing smart school uniform, including a school sweater/cardigan. Last year we also took a photo of the whole of Year 6 and the whole of Year R, which proved very popular. You are then able to have a photographic record of the children in their first and final years at Primary School.



If your child is in a school team, including the Morris Side, please make sure they have their team kit/costume with them.

The photographs will be available to buy before the end of term.

NEW COMPUTERS

We have recently purchased 32 mini laptops and a laptop "truck" that charges the laptops when they are not in use.

Mr Vickery is busy loading all the necessary software and then, hopefully, the children will begin to use them before the summer holidays.



EARLY ARRIVALS

We are becoming increasingly concerned about the number of children arriving at school very early in the morning. Unfortunately we are not able to supervise children at this time. Could I remind you that children should arrive at school only 10 minutes before registration - for the infants this is 8.50am and for the juniors 8.45am. Thank you for your support.

ADVERTS:

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CIRCUIT TRAINING - LADIES ONLY AND MIXED SESSIONS

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- * Jubilee Hall, Bishop's Waltham (Ladies only)
Monday 1.30-2.30pm and Friday 10-11am
- * Wickham Community Centre (Ladies only)
Tuesday 10-11am

- * Swanmore College: (mixed sessions)
Monday 7-8pm and Thursday 7.30-8.30pm

£4 per session



For info please contact John or Eiko 07724300965 or 01329 835274



FASHION SHOW AND JEWELLERY AUCTION

FRIDAY, 3rd JULY 2009 FROM 7.00pm at PATERSON CENTRE, SWANMORE

3rd Swanmore Guides invite you to a Fashion Show and Jewellery Auction. Tickets are £7.00 to include a light supper and welcome drink. Tickets available from Rachel Willis 01489 893966 or Louise Ford 01489 890462. All funds raised will go to the unit's chosen charity Mental Health Foundation.



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