

Swanmore Primary School Newsletter

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FOSPS - SUMMER FAIR FRIDAY, 12th 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.

PARENTS' CAR PARK

Please be aware that there was an attempted break into a member of staff's car in the village car park. Please don't leave valuables in your car and make sure all windows are closed.



SCHOOL GROUNDS



Thank you to everyone who helped at our School Grounds Working Party on Saturday 25th April. All paths were re-covered with bark chippings as well as weeding the school garden.

PARTNERHIP WITH SAINSBURYS

Sainsburys, Hedge End has generously offered to be our sponsor the year. This means they will be helping out with many school events and organising a fashion show in the Summer Term. More information will follow.



VACANCIES FOR A FOUNDATION GOVERNOR AND A PARENT GOVERNOR

If you are interested in becoming a Foundation Governor for our school, please contact Peter Kelly on 01489 892105.

We also have a vacancy for a Parent Governor, starting September 2009,

If you feel you are able to offer your time and support to the school in this way, please contact the office for an application form and return it to us by 12.00 noon tomorrow - Thursday, 7th May.

VACANCY FOR A LUNCHTIME SUPERVISORY ASSISTANT

We are looking for a special person to work as a Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant for five days a week between 12.10 and 1.25pm, at £6.23 per hour.

If you are interested in this post, or know of someone who may be, please call into the school office for an application form.



SWANMORE FUN RUN SUNDAY, 17 MAY 2008 HAVE YOU ENTERED YET?

The Fun Run is on Sunday, 17th 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 13th 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. However, we still need more marshals. 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.

RECENT LETTERS

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

- ◇ YR - Visit to Finkley Down Farm
- ◇ Y6 - Bivvy Camp + SATs
- ◇ Y1 - Visit to Manor Farm, Botley
- ◇ Y3 - Visit to Mary Rose, Portsmouth

MISS DUCKETT'S Y5 CLASS SWANAGE RESIDENTIAL VISIT

Everyone arrived safely. They enjoyed a beautiful walk over the ridge into Swanage with sunny, blue skies all the way. The children are all very well behaved and have already visited the beach.



INFANTS FUN SPORTS THURSDAY, 21st MAY

To encourage partnership between the infants and juniors Year 6 children 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 10th 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 - 1.00pm.

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!

THE TIMES / SUNDAY TIMES BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS TOKENS

Thank you to everyone who kindly sent in tokens from The Times and The Sunday Times. We recently sent off our Spring request for 19 new books. We are still collecting the tokens and will place another order at the end of the Summer Term. Please send in any tokens with your child.

COMBINED CHURCH SERVICE

This Sunday, 10th May, we will be hosting the Combined Church Service. This will take place in the amphitheatre, or if wet in the school hall. The Service starts at 10.30am and everyone is very welcome to attend.

Our school choir, led by Miss Duckett, will be singing at the Service.



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 Miller who train the dancers and well done to all the children who took part.

TESCO VOUCHERS 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 Dyer, Mrs Rustell and Mrs Snook.

This year's Tesco promotion finishes soon. Could you please send in the vouchers by the end of June so we can send off our order. Thank you for your help.



CHANGES TO ELIGIBILITY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

As from 1st May new legislation states that we are able to offer free school meals to children whose parents become unemployed or reduce their working hours to less than 16 hours per week. These parents will be issued with a Tax Credit Decision Notice which we will need to see, their children are then eligible for free school meals for four weeks. After that time parents need to let us know if they have found further employment or are on either Job Seeker's Allowance or Income Support. If you receive a Tax Credit Decision Notice please contact us so that your child(ren) can receive free school meals.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE AND DISPLAY OF LOST PROPERTY

This half-term our sale of second hand uniform and display of lost property will take place on Monday, 11th May at 3.15pm at the front of the school (weather permitting).

ADVERTS:

MARWELL ACTIVITY CENTRE

Hurst Lane, Owslebury, Winchester SO21 1EZ

Open Day - Every Bank Holiday - 4th May, 25th May, 31st August 2009

Taster sessions include: Quad Bikes, Air Rifles, Assault Course, Archery, Climbing, Aerial Runway, Kayaking, Dune Buggies, Mini Go Karts, Indoor/Outdoor Adventure Play. Adults £14.00, Children £8.00 (price includes 4 x 30 minute taster sessions). Come and join us from 10.00 to 4.00pm for taster sessions, entertainment and hog roast.

Summer Day Camps - 20th July to 28th August

Activities can include Quad Bikes, Archery, Air Rifles, Assault Course, Climbing, Aerial Adventure, Rope Courses and much much more! Camps for 8 to 14 years. £20.00 per day 9.00am to 4.00pm. For more details ring 01962 777547, www.marwellactivitycentre.co.uk



FUN DAY AT THE RISING SUN, SWANMORE — SATURDAY, 23RD MAY

2.00 - 5.00PM AND 7.30 - 11.00PM

The Rising Sun in Swanmore will be holding a Fun Day on Saturday, 23rd May in aid of Bishops Waltham Community Responders. Activities include juggling, games, face painting, tombola, bran tub, stalls, tea tent, cakes and jams and a BBQ. The bar will be open all day. For more information call 01489 891911.



ADVERTS (continued...)

SWANMORE PRE-SCHOOL OPEN DAY AND MINI FETE

FRIDAY, 15th MAY 2.00 - 4.30PM AT PAVILION, BROAD LANE, SWANMORE

Everyone welcome at Swanmore pre-school's Open Day and Mini Fete on Friday, 15th May at 2.00—4.30pm. Events include: Face Painting, Lucky Dip, Usborne Books, Raffle, Homemade Cakes, Bric-a-Brac and much more. Visit www.swanmorepreschool.org.uk for more details.



"SWANMORE TOMORROW" - PUBLIC MEETING ON 14th MAY AT 7.30PM AT SWANMORE VILLAGE HALL

To consider a proposal from the Parish Council for Swanmore to develop its own Village Plan. Speakers will include representatives from Community Action Hampshire and Winchester City Council. Everyone welcome to attend.

THE AGE CONCERN DAY CARE CENTRE AT SWANMORE VILLAGE HALL

URGENTLY needs several volunteers to assist on the minibus to bring in and take home the users of the Centre. No driving is involved. The requirement is for Mondays and/or Fridays once or twice a month on a rota basis from 9.00am to approx 10.45am, and/or 3.00pm to approx 4.15pm. Please contact Denise Griffiths, AC Day Care Centre, Village Hall, Swanmore on 01489 895855.

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