



Swanmore CE (Aided)
Primary School



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STAFFING NEWS

We recently said farewell to Mrs Banjo, one of our teaching assistants, as she leaves us for a new career. We thank her for her many contributions to school life and wish her good luck in her new venture.

We have appointed four part-time teaching assistants who will start after half term: Mrs Booth, Miss Brooker, Mrs Jamieson and Miss Keeping.

We look forward to working with them all.

One of our lunchtime supervisory assistants, Mrs Gamblin, will be leaving at half term after a long and dedicated career at Swanmore Primary School.

Mrs Gamblin has been so caring to generations of children, that we will all miss her kindness and friendly smile. We send her all our very best wishes for the future.

SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN SCHOOL TIME ONLY

Just a reminder the school play equipment on the playground, the field and in the Year R area is only for use during school time, by children at this school under the supervision of school staff.

Please do not allow your child(ren) to play on the equipment before and after school.
Thank you for your support.



FOSPS FIREWORKS

Friday, 2nd November

Gates Open 5.15pm

Display at 6.30pm

We are all looking forward to our annual Fireworks Display on Friday, 2nd November.

This is always a very popular event and we hope you can join us this year.

Tickets are available in advance from FOSPS by completing the form and returning it to school with your payment. Tickets are then returned to you via your child.

As with any large event we do need help please, to ensure safety and fun for everyone. If you can help, for just half an hour, please let FOSPS know via their website or by completing the attached form.



Just a reminder Friday, 2nd November is a non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate for the popular "Chocolate Tombola". Please ensure the item is in date and does not contain nuts. At this time of year we ask children to dress in a "be bright, be seen" item for the non-uniform day.

YELLOW LINES OUTSIDE SCHOOL AND IN THE VILLAGE

The yellow lines outside school and in the local area have recently been repainted and are very bright. For everyone's safety please do **NOT** park on the yellow and zig-zag lines.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you to everyone for your support of our recent harvest festivals in St Barnabas Church. It was wonderful to see so many families at the services; and Southampton City Mission are delighted with all the goods you kindly donated to the homeless.

END OF BRITISH SUMMER TIME

Just a reminder that British Summer Time ends on Sunday, 28th October when the clocks go back one hour.



SHOEBOX APPEAL

Please return your shoeboxes by Monday, 29th October.



POPPY APPEAL 2018

We will be supporting this year's Poppy Appeal by selling the traditional poppies after half term.



DAY CLOSURES FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2018/19

The remaining day closures for this academic year are as follows:

- * Friday, 9th November 2018
- * Monday, 12th November 2018
- * Monday, 22nd July 2019
- * Tuesday, 23rd July 2019

YEAR 6 MOVING ONTO SECONDARY EDUCATION

Hampshire County Council's website is now open for parents to apply for a Secondary School place online. If you need a paper application form please contact admissions team at Hampshire County Council on 0300 555 1377.

Last date for applications is Wednesday, 31st October.

HEALTHY PACKED LUNCHES

Our healthy school lunches are free to children in Years R, 1 and 2.

For the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 a balanced lunch costs £2.30.

Just a reminder if children bring packed lunches from home these should also be healthy. We ask that children do not bring bars of chocolate or sweets to eat at lunchtime.

Please try to include at least one piece of fruit or vegetable in your child's packed lunch. Thank you for your support.



The new school menu for 29th October 2018 - 5th April 2019 is available on the HC3S website. www.hants.gov.uk/education and [learning/hc3s](http://www.hants.gov.uk/learning/hc3s)

IT'S GETTING COLDER OUTSIDE

Please ensure your child has a coat in school each day, we try to get outside at break and lunch times even if it is raining. Thank you for your support.



HALF TERM HOLIDAY - MONDAY 22nd OCTOBER TO FRIDAY 26th OCTOBER

Just a reminder school half term holiday is next week Monday, 22nd October to Friday 26th October.

We reopen on Monday, 29th October.



Diary Dates for Autumn Second Half Term

The second half term of Autumn is always very busy - please see below for the list of events:

Monday, 29th October	School re-opens
Tuesday, 30th October	Y6 Visit to Southampton Art Gallery
Wednesday, 31st October	Last Day to make applications for a Year 7 place at secondary school for September 2019
Thursday, 1st November	Online applications open for YR place for September 2019
Friday, 2nd November	Non-uniform day (be bright, be seen) in exchange for chocolate (<i>no nuts and in date please</i>) 5.15pm Gates open for FOSPS Fireworks Display; Fireworks from 6.30pm
Saturday, 3rd November	Bookings available from 8.00am via Parentmail for Y1-Y6 Parents' Evenings
Thursday, 8th November	Portrait photographs of children in school After school, families are able to have group photos taken.
Friday, 9th November	DAY CLOSURE
Monday, 12th November	DAY CLOSURE
Wednesday, 14th November	After school Biology Science Show by Swanmore College to Y6 only
Thursday, 15th November	Flu Nasal Spray Vaccinations for YR - Y5
Friday, 16th November	Dress as you please day in exchange for two presents (one for a woman and one for a man) for the FOSPS Present Sale. Y3 Visit to Seacity (Y3 "dress as you please" on Thursday 15th) 2.55pm Y4J Assembly in School Hall
Monday, 19th November	Y1 - Y6 Parents' Evenings (no after school clubs)
Thursday, 22nd November	Y6 Greek Day 3.00pm Y3 Open Afternoon
Friday, 23rd November	Y6 Height and Weight Measuring YR Vision and Hearing 2.55pm Y5D Assembly in School Hall
Tuesday, 27th November	Y1 - Y6 Parents' Evening (no school-run after school clubs)
Thursday, 29th November	3.00pm Y6 Open Afternoon

Diary Dates for Autumn Second Half Term

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Wednesday, 5th December	3.00pm Y5 Open Afternoon
Thursday, 6th December	2.15pm YR Nativity to Parents in St Barnabas Church
Friday, 7th December	FOSPS Present Sale to children
Wednesday, 12th December	2.15pm Y1 + Y2 Christmas Production to Parents
Thursday, 13th December	2.15pm Y1 + Y2 Christmas Production to Parents 3.00pm Y4 Open Afternoon
Friday, 14th December	Afternoon Y5 Christmas Party
Monday, 17th December	Afternoon Y4 Christmas Party
Tuesday, 18th December	Afternoon Y3 Christmas Party
Wednesday, 19th December	Christmas Lunch for Years 4, 5 and 6 Afternoon Y2 Christmas Party Afternoon YR Christmas Party
Thursday, 20th December	Christmas Lunch for Years R, 1, 2 and 3 Afternoon Y6 Christmas Party Afternoon Y1 Christmas Party
Friday, 21st December	9.15am Carols around the tree (One ticket per family YR and Y4) 2.30pm Carols around the tree (One ticket per family Y2 and Y6) School finishes for Christmas holidays
Monday, 7th January 2019	School re-opens for the Spring Term
Thursday, 10th January	Panto to Whole School: Peter Pan performed by M&M Productions

NSPCC AND CHILDLINE - NEW WEBSITE FOR PARENTS TO SHARE WITH CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS OLD

Childline and NSPCC have launched a new website specifically for children under 12 years old.

The address for parents to share this website with their children is <https://www.childline.org.uk/kids>