



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to the new school year, it has been a really successful return, so thank you. It is lovely to have the whole community back together and we are looking forward to having our new Year R children with us too. It has been great to see so many examples of exciting and engaging learning. Whilst some of this is on the school's Face Book page, we hope to share more on the Dojo app very shortly. Here's to a great term ahead, please do speak with your class teacher if you have any concerns.

DAY CLOSURES

Our remaining day closures for 2020-21 are as follows:

Monday, 12th October 2020

Monday, 16th November 2020

Monday, 4th January 2021

Friday, 25th June 2021

STAFFING NEWS

This term we are delighted to welcome three new teachers

Mr A Middleton in Year 4

Mrs K Burdett in Year 5

Mrs K Gething-Smith support teacher

and two new support staff:

Mrs S-J Cokes who joins us in YR

Mrs A Cole our new librarian.

Symptoms of coronavirus in children

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- ◆ a high temperature
- ◆ a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- ◆ a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

NO INDIVIDUAL HAND SANITISERS IN SCHOOL PLEASE

Can children please not bring hand sanitiser into school. We have it here and regularly hand wash through the day.



WANTED CHILDREN'S COMICS OR MAGAZINES FOR YEAR 2

Mrs Hughes has asked for children's comics or magazines for her book corner please, for example football or kids national geographic. These will be quarantined before use. Many thanks for your support.

YELLOW LINES ON ROADS IN VILLAGE

Just a reminder there are yellow lines on the roads in Swanmore, to ensure the safety of all road users.

Please be aware that vehicles are not to park on the yellow lines between 8.00am and 4.00pm.

PAYMENT FOR SCHOOL LUNCHES/TRIPS

We are aiming to have a cashless office; payment for school lunches and trips can already be made online via Scopay. Please ask the office for more details if you do not currently use Scopay.

If you have no alternative but to pay in cash please ensure the correct money is sent into school in an envelope marked with your child's name and the trip or 'school lunch money'.

Thank you for your support.



NEW WAY TO REPORT YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE

Parents have several options of reporting their child's absence either on the Parentmail app or telephone the office; and we now have an email address where parents can drop us a line to let us know their child will not be in school.

absence@swanmoreapps.com

If your child needs further time to recover from illness please let us know on each day of their absence.

MEDICINES

At the end of the year we sent home all medicines/inhalers. It is now time to return these to school, after checking they are in date and in good, clean condition. Could we also ask parents to kindly complete another yellow form for this year.

APPLICATION FOR A SCHOOL PLACE IN YEAR R - SEPTEMBER 2021

If your child is 4 or will turn 4 before 1st September 2021, they can start school in September 2021.

This year applications for a place in Year R September 2021 can be made online from 1 November 2020

We will let you have more details nearer the time.

In previous years we have held open mornings for new parents to look around the school. Unfortunately, because of covid precautions we are unable to invite large groups of parents in.

Of course, we very much want to offer parents access to the school and we are currently planning a way we can do this without putting anyone at undue risk. More information will be sent out soon,.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

We are no longer running second hand uniform sales at school. Any spare uniform will be donated to the shop across the road "Pre-loved Treasures" and are available for a donation.

KS2 SNACKS

At the moment we are unable to provide snacks for children in Key Stage 2. Your child is welcome to bring a snack to school to eat at break time. We recommend the snack is a piece of fruit or vegetable or a healthy alternative.