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Whole School



FOSPS NEWS

End of January - FOSPS will be circulating Rags 2 Riches bags which can be filled with good quality, reusable clothing, returned to school and donated. So please bear this is mind if you are having a clear out.

Thursday 12th Feb - School Disco

Tickets now available from the FOSPS website

<https://www.pta-events.com/swanmoreprimary/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=106445>

We are looking forward to the children's school disco, after school, on Thursday 12th Feb.

Tickets include entrance to the disco, a snack and a drink, glitter and tatoo stand and photobooth! We are looking for volunteers for this event, so please sign up on the website if you can spare the time, we'd be very grateful!

In support of Children's Mental Health Week we're delighted to share we will be donating 10% of profits from this event to a Children's mental health charity.

Please see the website for more info, and year group timings.

Saturday 28th Feb 18:30 - FOSPS annual quiz night.

Tickets now available from the FOSPS website

<https://www.pta-events.com/swanmoreprimary/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=106446>

If you haven't been before this is a brilliant adults-only quiz night, with fish and chips, BYO, some amazing prizes to win in the silent auction (Bestival tickets were up for grabs last year!). Fancy dress is mandatory!

Tables can be 6,7 or 8 people, but if you are a smaller group please let us know and we can try and match you up with another group.



Thought for the Week

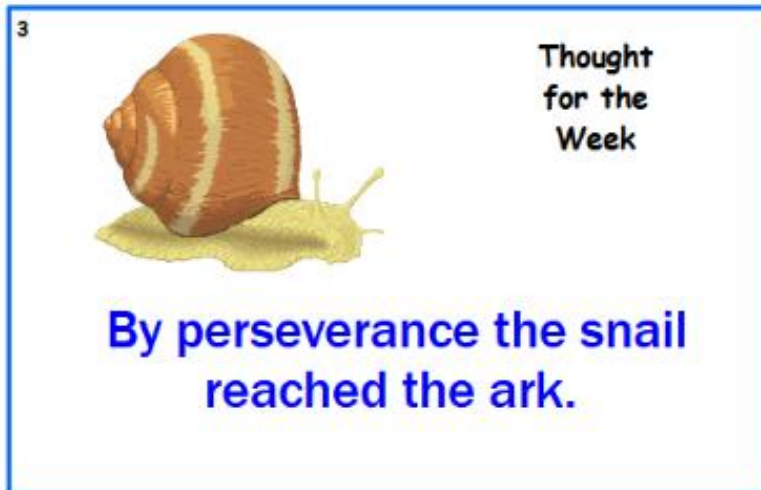
At Swanmore Primary school the children explore their spirituality through a 'thought for the week'. The children are invited to use their deeper thinking to look at themselves, each other, and the wider world.

We also have a library of thought for the weeks through the year which will show you the type of activities the children have been doing in class. Please follow this bread crumb trail on the school website to discover more:

Home - Our school - Worship - and then pick the 'Thought for the week' tab and which term you'd like to look at.

Please take a look at the 3 folders as you will be able to see how the children explored the thought for the week in a particular term. We hope you enjoy looking at how the children explore their spirituality each week!

This week the children are looking at:



Have you ever made fun of someone who takes a long time to do things? Maybe, like the tortoise they will surprise you.

Volunteers to listen to children Read

Dear Parents, we have some children throughout the school who are below their peers in their reading ability. Regular support to develop fluency and the opportunity to talk about the books they are reading will have a huge impact on their progress and, as a result their life chances. Reading is a key life skill and one which we are determined to impart to all our children however we need help to achieve this. We are looking for volunteers (parents, grandparents, neighbours) to help give children extra support with daily practice reading out loud. Generally, afternoons are preferable (any time from 1.15pm), although we can accommodate mornings. If you are able to commit to a regular time this would be a great help in order for the children to build a relationship with you and enable you to see the progress they are able to make over a period of time. Whilst a couple of hours of support weekly would be great, we are also looking for a team of people who can change their 3.30pm pick up routine and come to school at 3pm and give us a regular half an hour slot.

If you are able to help us, we would be extremely grateful. We have a booklet to help volunteers with how to support the children's reading. However, I am more than happy to answer any questions volunteers may have about the process.

An enhanced DBS check will need to be completed before people can help in school but our office team can help you with this process. Please ring the school on 01489 894555, email adminoffice@swanmore-pri.hants.sch.uk or call in at the office if you are interested in volunteering.

Many thanks

Mrs J Hughes

Early Reading & Phonics Lead

Pop Up Food Bank

It's back! We're running our Pop-Up Food Bank this year in support of the Meon Valley Foodbank. If you are able to please bring along any donations to the playground before the start of the day and we will load them on to the mini bus and take it over to the Meon Valley Food bank for local families.

In December, perhaps a Christmas 'treat' might be there to help with the festivities even! Thank you in advance!

Pop Up Food Bank Dates

5 th Dec	20 th March
12 th Dec	17 th April
16 th Jan	22 nd May
13 th Feb	19 th June

The National Year of Reading

[<http://National Year of Reading 2026 | Go All In>]



2026 has been declared 'The National Year of Reading' and you will, undoubtedly, see lots in the media about this as the government and National Reading Agency encourage us all to read more and be role models for our children. You can find out more about it [<http://National Year of Reading 2026 | Go All In>] here and we will be providing details of news and events through the year. I thought we would start the year by sharing the School Library Service list of recommended reads for each year group - you will find them in the year group sections below. Why not show the poster to your child and ask them whether they've read any of the listed books; if not, perhaps you could head to a library or log onto Sora (our digital reading app) to see if they can borrow it!

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to Mrs Cole if there is anything we can do to help yours or your child's reading journey. Email: library@swanmoreapps.com



HOME START Hampshire

Volunteer Preparation Training

Do you have a couple of hours per week and would like to help a local family?

Home-Start Hampshire recruits and trains volunteers to support local families with children under 11. Volunteers visit families to provide non-judgemental, emotional and practical support.

Our next volunteer preparation training begins, 14th January 2026 for 4 weeks in Titchfield. Contact us today to find out more.

familysupport@hshants.org.uk - 0330 124 2095

<https://home-starthampshire.org.uk/>

Where/when:
Abshot Community Centre
Kelsey Close, Titchfield Common, Fareham PO14 4NR

14th January 9:30 - 2:30
21st January 9:30 - 2:30
28th January 9:30 - 2:30
04th February 9:30 - 2:30

Scan the code to find out more



Home-Start Hampshire needs your help. We are a local charity that supports families with children up to the age of 11 in your community. Our volunteers offer friendly, practical support to parents who may be finding things tough — helping to make a real difference in their lives.

We are currently in urgent need of volunteers who can spare just a few hours a week to visit a local family.

Would you be able to share our "Volunteers Preparation Training" flyer with your parents (via your newsletter or parent mail) or display it on your school notice board? Your support would be invaluable in helping us reach more people who may be interested in volunteering.

To find out more about what we do, please visit our website: www.home-starthampshire.org.uk.

Thank you so much for your time and for helping us support families in our community.

Reception

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Year 1

Please can any children who are doing Junk Modelling with Miss Chitson for their enrichment choice bring in a shoe box, or similar-sized box, to school on Monday 26th January. Thank you.

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Year 2

Year 2 will be joined by a student teacher, based in Woodpeckers class, for the Spring term

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Year 3

Y3C Assembly Friday 13th February 2026

Year 4

Year 5

Y5N Assembly is on Friday 30th January 2026

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Year 6

Y6 Wales Residential Letter has now been sent out. Please can you all complete the online consent form and return medical forms as soon as possible. The parents meeting will take place on Thursday 29th January at 3.40pm Y6H classroom. This will be followed by a SATs information meeting.

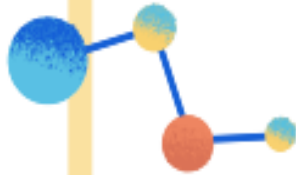
Y6M WOW Wednesday 4th February at 9.30am in the school hall all parents from Y6M are welcome.



WALTHAM CHASE METHODIST CHURCH

CALLING ALL JUNIOR
SCIENTISTS

LET'S HAVE FUN!

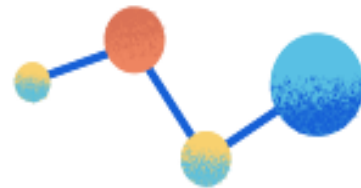


MEGA MAKERS

LIGHTHOUSE HOLIDAY CLUB

THURSDAY 19TH FEBRUARY

0930 - 12:30



science games, cooking, craft
and much more

£3.00 per child aged 5-11 years

TO BOOK A PLACE

Contact: anouska@chasemethodist.org

Tel: 07875218141

In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

Online Safety Information Session

This session is delivered virtually so can be watched from anywhere!
We will share the link with you privately.

Guide to Online Gaming - this session will cover the latest trends and emerging threats. We will focus on developing your understanding of online gaming, the associated risks and the steps we can take to support our children.

**WEDNESDAY
28TH JAN
2026
9.30AM - 10.15AM**



Knowsley
City Learning Centres



Your Health Visiting and School Nursing records all in one place...
at your finger tips



View and manage
your appointments
with Health Visitors



View your child's
vaccination history and
newborn blood spot
screening results



Search a wide
range of resources
about children's
health



View growth charts
and add
measurements



The Ages and Stages
questionnaires are
available for you to
complete electronically
before your child's 1
year/2 year health
reviews



National Childhood
Measurement
Programme.
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child's height and
weight measurements
(Year R and Year 6).

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Sign up today! Email parent.portal@nhs.net



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Accountability



Respect



Excellence



Good Autism Practice

Gain practical knowledge, and discover hands-on tools and techniques to support autistic children in your setting.

Who is this training for?

This is a module for practitioners who work directly with autistic children in schools, and it provides guidance on processes and tools that can help practitioners to implement good autism practice.

What will you learn?

- Develop your knowledge and understanding of good autism practice
- Reflect on and improve your practice in working with autistic pupils
- Understand strategies and approaches you can draw upon for autistic pupils you work with
- Reflect on the kind of information you need to collect for creating a person-centred education plan
- Consider how to involve the autistic pupil and their family in setting learning goals

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Hours



Developed by leading autism specialists



Up to date with the latest research



Enhances your CPD



Free resources and frameworks linked to Ofsted



Optional certification

Hub name Better Together Alliance

Date Thursday 26 February 2026

Time 9.30am – 2.30pm

Details Osborne School
Athelstan Road
Winchester
Hampshire
SO23 7GA



Henry Tyndale School
Learning & Achieving Together

Cost

£70.00
per person

Book your training now:

Email us at
bettertogether@henrytyndale.hants.sch.uk

Pop Up Ensemble

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HUB



Pop Up Ensemble Lift Winton, Andover

JMST theatre, Lift Winton, London Road,
Andover, Hampshire, SP10 2PS
Sunday 18 January 2026 9.15 - 13.15

Beginner to Grade 4



**Back by Popular
Demand!**



**Come and be part of a
'from scratch' orchestra!**

Scan the QR code to
register your place



Hampshire
County Council

Music Service

Anxiety

Understanding & strategies to support young people

Tickets £20
Tea and
coffee
included

The day will provide an overview of the anxiety parent-led intervention we deliver for children and young people in CAMHS.

It is an opportunity for interaction and activities which will give psychoeducation and normalising of anxiety.

There will be chances to learn and practice strategies we teach parents in the intervention.



28 January 2026

The Irish Centre,
Council Road,
Basingstoke, RG21 3DH

11 November 2026

The Pallant Centre,
The Pallant,
Havant, PO9 1BE



For more information scan the QR code or visit:

<https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/events/>

UNDERSTANDING ADHD



Tickets £20
Tea and
coffee
included

A day that focuses on skills and strategies, for parents, carers and professionals supporting a child with ADHD. Hampshire CAMHS Colleagues will be hosting this day alongside parents / carers with lived experience.



Understanding your child with ADHD, support, strategies and tips. Led by the Hampshire CAMHS ADHD team.

Support for SEN in education & what to do if it's not working. Led by Gayle Moir, SENDIASS Services Manager.

ADHD nervous system differences, sensory systems, emotional regulation, stress response, attention regulation, and executive functioning, Led by Courtney Freedman-Thompson-coach and wellbeing facilitator and lived experience.

5 March 2026

Junction Church,
2 Romsey Road,
Eastleigh SO50 9FE

16 Sept 2026

The Pallant Centre,
Havant, PO9 1BE

3 November 2026

Andover Baptist Church,
Charlton Road, Andover
SP10 3JH

For more information scan the QR code or visit:

<https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/events/>



HOW TO COPE WHEN YOUR CHILD CANT

Tickets £25
Tea, coffee
and lunch
included

Three one-day events focused on parents/carers understanding their own needs, and learning strategies to look after themselves as they support a young person with their own mental health needs.

Each morning session will focus on different topics - further details can be found on our website.

The afternoon session will focus on How to Feel Better as a Parent in Burnout.

For more information and to book a place go to:
<https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/events/>

Thursday, 22 January 2026
9:30am - 3:15pm

**St Peters Church Centre,
Jewry St, Winchester
SO23 8RY**

Friday, 15 May 2026
9:30am - 3:15pm

**The Hilt, Hiltingbury Road,
Chandlers Ford, Eastleigh
SO53 5NP**

Wed, 30 September 2026
9:30am - 3:15pm

**The Irish Centre, Council Road,
Basingstoke, RG21 3DH**

Some events have a small charge to allow us to cover costs, some discretionary free tickets are available

EMBRACING AUTISM

Tickets £20
Tea and
coffee
included

A day that focuses on skills and strategies, for parents, carers and professionals supporting a child with Autism.

Topics include:

- Supporting your autistic child to thrive - adapting to meet the needs of the autistic young person and practical strategies.
- Support for SEN in education & what to do if it's not working.
- Supporting Young People to Make Sense of their Experiences - empowering young people and putting them at the centre of their experience.

Discretionary tickets available to families on request.

4 February 2026

The Pallant Centre,
Havant, Hampshire
PO9 1BE

9 July 2026

Junction Church,
2 Romsey Road,
Eastleigh, SO50 9FE

17 November 2026

Andover Community Church
Charlton Road, Andover
SP10 3JH

For more information scan the QR code or visit:

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From **Hola** to **Hablando**: Spanish lessons for everyone



Join our Spanish Club!

Did you know Spanish is in the TOP 3 most spoken languages?

**Spanish after school Club – Tuesday's
at Swanmore Primary School**

If you are interested in signing up your child, please click on my booking link <https://spanish-4-kids.classforkids.io>, selecting the relevant school club to secure your child's place. Alternatively, if you wish to book a TRIAL lesson for your child, please feel free to using the above link!

If you have any questions, please do feel free to get in touch with me direct.
Pippa Chia - spanish4kidshants@gmail.com 07971 213619

Find out more at www.spanish4kids.co.uk



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