



# SWANWICK STORY

## Information for Term 2

**Friday 27 October 2023**

### Upcoming Events



You can [click on this link](#) to get the calendar of dates for the year. We hope this is helpful as we want to ensure you are well informed about activities planned in the school. We have taken feedback from parents, and will continue to show the most current events in this section below.

Half Term Break	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	School reopens for pupils
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 Theme Day- <a href="#">Ancient Greek Day</a>
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	- <b>Friendship Week- Whole School</b> -Odd Socks Day- children can wear odd socks on Monday! -Friends of Swanwick Meeting 7:30pm
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 2 Theme Day Victorian Day
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	-Children in Need (non- uniform day) -Showcase of events from Friendship Week in hall from 3:00 - 3:45pm- for parents
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshop for Year 2 pupils
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Dogs Trust Assembly and KS2 Workshop
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	<b>NEW</b> <a href="#">Year 4 Egyptian Day</a>
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Recycled Christmas Jumper Collection after school in the Treehouse.
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	-Art Rotation sessions in school- All pupils -Recycled Christmas Jumper Collection after school in the Treehouse.
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	-Art Rotation sessions in school- All pupils -Whole School Flu Vaccinations (we will send out further information after the break)

The new term begins on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November and we break up on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

An Art Club will be available on Monday lunchtimes for children in Year 1 and Year 2.

A group of very responsible, Year 6 pupils, have taken the initiative to organise and run this activity. Please share this with your child and if they are interested, advise them to go straight to Mrs Staley's Y6 Classroom at 12:30 each Monday!



## Uniform Sale

Mrs Denny will be selling school uniform that has been used but is in a good, clean condition on the below dates. This will be on sale at the South Street Gates (unless it is raining- we will sign post you to the classroom, in this case!) and will be a fraction of the cost of brand- new uniform- so well worth a look!

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 3:15-3:45pm

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 3:15-3:45pm

## PE Days- Term 2

Year Group	PE Day(s)
EYFS	Friday
1	Wednesday and Friday
2	Tuesday and Thursday
3	Monday and Wednesday
4	Tuesday and Thursday
5	Tuesday and Friday (swimming)
6	Monday and Friday



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## Autumn-Winter Menu

You can view the full Menu [here](#).



## New Email Address for Speech and Language Therapy (SALT)

So that we can effectively communicate with parents regarding Speech and Language Therapy (SALT) in school, we have a new email address: [salt@swanwick.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:salt@swanwick.derbyshire.sch.uk)

Our new email address will be used to communicate appointment times and send invites to parents. It can also be used by parents to reach staff who have direct involvement with the delivery of our speech and language provision in school.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's speech and/or language skills or have any questions, you are encouraged to contact our new email address and a member of staff will be in touch.

Parents of children who already receive support in school will continue to receive updates on Tapestry following their weekly sessions.

## Applications for Primary School Places- for September 2024

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 they will be eligible to start school in September 2024. You should apply for their infant or primary school place by 15 January 2024. You will be able to make your application from 9am on 6 November 2023. [Click here](#) to find out more!

## Celebrating Autumn 1



We took our Year 5s and 6s to Alfreton Leisure Centre to take part in an athletics competition. They ran a hurdles relay race, a flat race and an obstacle course. Every child gave 100% in every race they ran, they cheered on their team-mates and showed incredible kindness towards each other. Due to their great team spirit and determination, even when things weren't going their way, they won the School Games Value award.

Thank you for being a real credit to our school.

*Miss Mallard and Miss Calderbank*

## New Appointment of School Business Manager

As mentioned in a previous Swanwick Story, we will be losing Mrs Strong at the end of the year, as she will be retiring from her role for a well-deserved break.

We have appointed Mrs Danielle Parker. Danielle has children at the school and is a Swanwick resident. We look forward to welcoming Danielle in her new role and expect her to join us early in December to allow for a period of handover before the Christmas break.



## Forest School Fun Autumn 1

This term, the children have been learning to tie dye using natural berries around school, den building and making clay pumpkins! What great fun!



## Harvest Donations- A BIG Thankyou

Mrs Stone took our Harvest Donations to the local Food Bank this week. We are proud to have been able to collect 60.10 kgs of food!



IS YOUR DAUGHTER IN YEAR 2 OR 3 AT SCHOOL?  
ARE THEY INTERESTED IN PLAYING FOOTBALL?

COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR INCLUSIVE  
FUN WILDCATS TRAINING SESSIONS!

*WEDNESDAYS EVENINGS - 5.25-6.25PM*

£3 A SESSION - FIRST TASTER SESSION FREE!

EMAIL - [INFO@SLEETMOORUNITED.CO.UK](mailto:INFO@SLEETMOORUNITED.CO.UK)  
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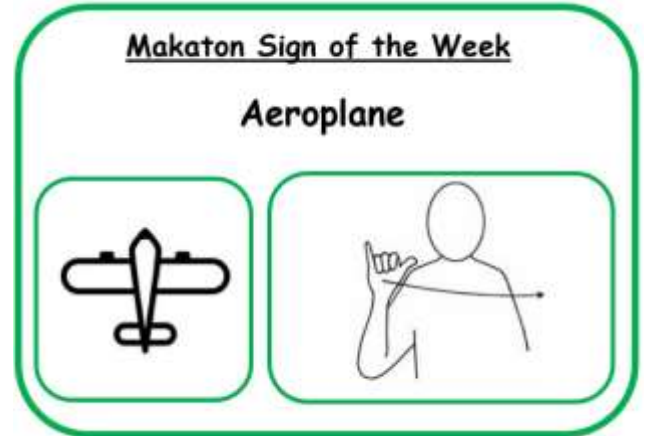
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### Can you help us?

We are embarking on a new project in our Reception Unit to further improve our environment and in turn, maximise the opportunities for our littlest people. Part of the plan was to apply for the Tesco Grant, in order to fund some outdoor learning resources.

**Please can we remind everyone to 'Vote for Swanwick' using the blue tokens in Tesco? We are doing well, but it is tough competition!**

**Finally, we have a challenge for you all.** Can you help us to gather valuable treasures to enhance our environment? [Click on this leaflet to see what we are looking for.](#) The items are things you might have around your house or garden. We would be extremely grateful for any donations and these can be dropped off in the EYFS outdoor classroom area at the start, or the end of the school day. Thankyou!



Can you help us by donating any of the following items for our EYFS and Forest School Provision?

- Bricks
- Bungee Cords
- Hanging Baskets
- Milk Crates
- WASHING LINE
- String
- Pipes
- Wooden sweeping brush
- Wooden Stumps
- Pallets
- Pegs
- Toy Chest
- Building Scraps- Guttering Plastic Tubing
- Shower Curtains
- Drain Pipes
- Large Pots and Pans
- Small wooden chairs
- Bamboo Canes
- Garden Arch Frames
- Fake Grass offcuts
- Hooks
- Zip Ties
- Tarpaulin
- Shopping Crates
- Dolls/Babies and clothes
- WOODEN PLANKS
- Fabrics (including sheer and canopy fabrics)
- Trellis
- Ikea small side tables
- Fairy Lights
- Waterproof fabric/Oil Cloth/Tablecloths
- Beaded Curtain