



Friday 15th December 2023

Here is a list of events taking us to the end of the school term and into January! You can find a full list of future events [here](#).

| Events for December | |
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| 18 th January | Carol Concert for Parents/Carers at St Andrew's Church 1:30pm-3pm approx. (Please wait outside the church until the children are seated). For safeguarding reasons, all children will walk back to school and will be collected from school at the end of the day. |
| 19 th January | Y1- Y6 Pantomime- Mother Goose at Derby Arena 8:30am-1:30pm Gates open at 8:15am. Normal pick up times for children EYFS- Pinxton Puppets Performance and Puppet Making Morning |
| 20 th January | Christmas Dinner Day |
| 21 st January | Break Up for the Christmas Holiday Normal school times apply |
| 8 th January | INSET DAY (School Closed to Pupils) |
| 9 th January | School Reopens for Pupils |
| 15 th January | Friends Meeting |
| 16 th January | Y5 Holocaust Visit Bedtime Reading Event 5-6pm Birch, Elm and Conker Classes |
| 17 th January | Bedtime Reading Event 5-6pm Pine, Ash, Acorn Classes |
| 18 th January | KS2 SATS meeting in school 4pm-4:30pm KS2 SATs meeting via Teams 7pm-7:30pm (a link and information will be shared closer to the date) |
| 31 st January | Online Safety Assembly- Delivered to children in class (Content shared with parents after the event on the Swanwick Story) |
| 2 nd February | NSPCC Number Day- Dress up day and fundraising event. All proceeds to go to the NSPCC (Information will be shared) |
| 5 th February | EYFS have The Animal Man visiting school |
| 6 th February | Safer Internet Day Activities delivered across the school day for pupils |
| 7 th February | MTC Multiplication Check Meeting for parents in Year 4. 7pm Via Teams (a link will be shared closer to the date) |
| 12 th February | Friends of Swanwick Meeting 7:30pm |
| 13 th February | Year 1 Explorer Day (Children will be orienteering. Outfits can be explorer themed or just outdoor appropriate clothes. Further details will follow) |
| 15 th February | EYFS Animals Who Came to Tea (Details to follow, but children can come dressed as an animal of their choice) |
| 16 th February | Random Acts of Kindness Day- In school events Break up day |

Key Information for Spring 1

PE Days Spring 1

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

Here are the changes to PE days after the half term. Please ensure your child comes into school wearing their PE Kits on the correct days.

Here is a link to the [PE Kit expectations](#).

What is my child learning about in Spring 1?

Here is a [link to the Knowledge Organisers](#) for Spring 1. You can click on your child's year group to see the topics and skills for Spring 1.

Lost Property in Spring 1

The Friends of Swanwick have purchased 4 boxes to keep lost property in. All items without names in will be sorted into the appropriate box. All named items will be sent back to the relevant child. All lost property without names will be in boxes outside the Treetop.



Pantomime Reminder- Y1-Y6 Tuesday 19th December 2023

The school gates will open at 8.15am.
All Y1-Y6 children need to be in school by 8.30am.
If your child is late the coaches will be unable to wait and as there will be no staff to supervise them in school, they will need to return home. For this reason, please make sure your child arrives no later than 8:30am on this day to avoid disappointment.

Christmas Stalls- Friends of Swanwick

Please come along to the Christmas Stalls on Friday 15th December



Crafty Classes!

The children enjoyed two Art themed days at school last week. They created masterpieces using a range of Art Skills.

Here are just a few examples of work completed in class.



Door Competitions

As part of the Art Days, there was a competition to design the best classroom doors. Each class entered and you can see some of the results below! They were all fantastic but the school council judged one door to be the winner.



Here is the winning door by Conker Class!
Well Done, Conkers!
You will receive Golden Time in class





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Thankyou to all the children who attended our Christmas Disco Events and to the adults for supporting our fundraising event.

We are grateful to The Friends of Swanwick, who provided the refreshments at the event.



Makaton Advent

Here are some signs you may like to learn over the festive period

| Makaton Advent Calendar | | | | | | |
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| Saturday | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 1st Snowman | 2nd Christmas Tree | 3rd Sleigh | 4th Family | 5th Stars | 6th Happy | 7th Bells |
| 8th Pudding | 9th Winter | 10th Jesus | 11th Reindeer | 12th Holiday | 13th Presents | 14th Church |
| 15th Donkey | 16th Stable | 17th Candles | 18th Angel | 19th King | 20th Cake | 21st Robin |
| 22nd Turkey | 23rd Toys | 24th Sleep | 25th Christmas Day Christmas Day | | Father Christmas Father Christmas | |

Makaton Song

If the advent is not for you, why not learn the Makaton version of- White Christmas?



Click on the image or use [this link](#)



EYFS and Year 1 Performance



We thought the children were amazing at the Angel Express Production. Well done to all the children who took part. Thankyou to all the adults who attended this event and provided amazing outfits.



Year 2 Victorian Christmas

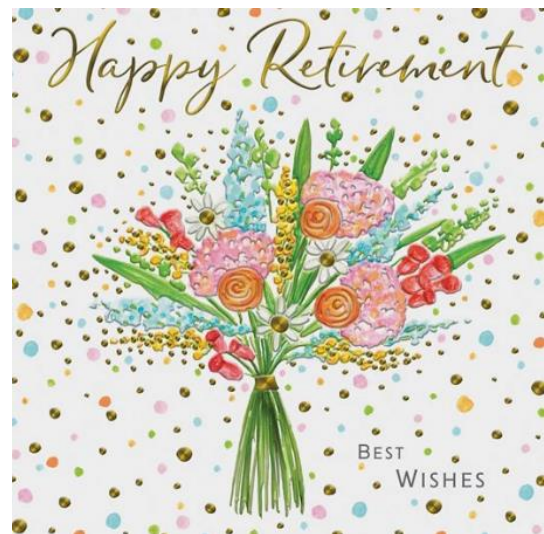
We really enjoyed the Year 2 Victorian Christmas Performance and we hope you did too! The children shared some interesting facts and lovely singing. Thankyou to all the adults for coming to watch and for providing the outfits.



Goodbye Mrs Strong



Thankyou for all your hard work and commitment to our school.
We hope you enjoy your retirement!



Have a lovely weekend and don't forget to check the calendar for the key events over the final 4 days of term.

