



# SWANWICK STORY

**Friday 25 March 2022**

## **Attendance and Punctuality**

We are currently devising a new way of sharing and celebrating attendance and punctuality in the school via the website and the Swanwick Story.

## **Deputy Headteacher News**

We are excited to announce that our new Deputy Headteacher will be **Mrs Jo Jilavu**.

Mrs Jilavu will be joining us from September 1 2022. However, she will be making several visits to the school before this in order to ensure a smooth transition and so we can get to know her.

We know that you will all give her a very warm SPS welcome.

## **Red Nose Day**

Our grand total so far is £306.50. If you haven't yet made your donation in lieu of your child wearing non-uniform last Friday, the page will remain open until Thursday 31 March.

Click [here](#) to make your donation.



*A picture of Ash Class investigating 'exploding cola' on Red Nose Day.*

## **Names in clothes**

Please can we remind you that all clothes should have children's names in – especially coats as the children sometimes choose to take them off when it gets a bit warmer.

## **Parents' Meetings**

Don't forget Parents' Meetings on **Wednesday 30 March** and **Wednesday 6 April**. Here is a reminder of the memo we sent out a couple of weeks ago which tells you more about what to do on the day:

[Parents' Meetings Memo](#)

## **Used Uniform Sale**

We know that things can be quite tight financially – especially at the moment with hikes in energy and fuel prices.

Mrs Denny and Mrs Parr will be holding a second-hand school uniform sale after school on **Thursday 31 March**. This will take place near the Y5 and Y6 classrooms.

[Map of school](#)

## **Breakfast Club**

We are now taking bookings for Breakfast Club for after Easter for children who are registered.

[Book for Breakfast Club](#)

All questions regarding Breakfast Club should go to [breakfastclub@swanwick.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:breakfastclub@swanwick.derbyshire.sch.uk)

## **Covid 19 Update**

Please continue to e-mail any Covid related information to [covid@swanwick.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:covid@swanwick.derbyshire.sch.uk) so that we can log cases and report/act accordingly. It is important that we know about all positive cases so that we can take extra precautions if we notice an outbreak in a particular class or year group.



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## Holidays during term time

Just a reminder that holidays during term time will not be authorised. Any absence which is not due to illness requires an exceptional leave form completing which you can find [here](#).

We would much rather that you are honest about your child's absence being due to a holiday, than tell us they are ill. There have been a few occasions recently where parents have told us their child is ill and we know this isn't the case. Children who have been on holiday do come back to tell us all about it!

Thank you to those parents who are always open and transparent about the reason for their child's absence.

## Sun Safety

The warmer weather is starting to creep in. What a long winter it has been and what a difference a bit of sunshine makes!

We know the Great British Weather can be very unpredictable, so it is always best to plan for every eventuality. We know we are a long way from summer, but on those really warm days, we want to keep everyone safe.

Some top tips for keeping safe in the sun include:

SLIP on a t-shirt (which covers the shoulders)

SLOP on SPF 30+ broad spectrum UVA sunscreen.

SLAP on a broad brimmed hat.

SLIDE on quality sunglasses.

SEEK SHADE from the sun whenever possible.



Further information from the NHS about sun safety can be found here:

## [Sun Safety](#)

In the warmer weather, we ask that parents ensure that their child:

- **Comes to school wearing sun cream.** (Unfortunately, we don't have the capacity to put sun cream on children.)
- **Has a water bottle** so that they can keep hydrated during the day.
- **Brings a named sun hat to school.**

It is really important that your child **continues to bring a coat to school** as we know how unpredictable the weather can be.

## Hay fever season ahead

We know there are many children (and adults!) who suffer from hay fever. Wherever possible, we ask that parents administer any medication before school so that your child is comfortable during the school day. If it is necessary for your child to take medication in school, please contact Mrs Blaydon

[victoria.blaydon@swanwick.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:victoria.blaydon@swanwick.derbyshire.sch.uk)

to discuss your child's needs and to organise a medication form which can be found here:

## [Medicine Request Form](#)



A cap and sunglasses can also help to keep symptoms at bay whilst outdoors.



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## **Autism Strategy – Parent Views**

If you have a child who has Autism, Derbyshire County Council are inviting you to a meeting to contribute towards their strategy. Please see the options below to book onto a meeting.

***Please do not book places if you do not have a child with Autism.***

[Autism Strategy - daytime option](#)

[Autism Strategy - evening option](#)

## **And Finally...**

For those of you who have been at home today, you may have spotted someone familiar on Channel 4's 'Steph's Packed Lunch'. You can watch again here – around 1 hour and 40 minutes into the programme.

[Channel 4](#)

We are looking forward to hearing more of Daniel's Triathlon success in the near future!

Good luck Daniel – we're all very proud of you!

**Wishing everyone a lovely weekend – enjoy the beautiful weather ☺**

