

# **SWANWICK STORY**



### Friday 16th February 2023

## Important Information for Spring Term 2

### **Medium Termly Overviews**

You can find out what your child is learning about over the next half term by <u>clicking on this</u> <u>link</u>

## **Calendar of Dates**

To access a list of important dates, please <u>click</u> <u>here.</u>

#### **PE Days**

PE Days have changed for Spring 2

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

Please remember to send your child in the correct PE uniform. This needs to be plain dark leggings/shorts and a plain dark or white PE top/t-shirt/hoodie.

Earrings must be removed where possible or covered for PE.

#### Red Nose Day

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Red Nose Day is back on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023. We are joining thousands of peop up and down the country to raise m

up and down the country to raise money for Comic Relief. Whatever we raise, no matter how big or small, we'll be helping people going through the toughest times of their lives, in the UK and across the world. More information will be shared after February half term, but please note we will be dressing up for joy! Pick a theme, wear a home-made costume, go red from head to toe or simply dig out your brightest socks. Wear something that makes you smile.

## World Book Day Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March is World Book Day and we will be celebrating this important event with a book themed day in school. **Children are invited to bring their favourite book** into school to share with the class or with a friend (please put your child's name inside the book) There will be a World Book Day assembly in the morning followed by various book themed activities throughout the day.

The children are invited to come dressed as a book character. There are many ideas online for simple homemade outfits so please do not go to great expense. Please bear in mind that the costume needs to be warm enough and practical enough to go outside in at playtime. We are mindful that not all children enjoy dressing up and therefore they can come in non-uniform as an alternative.

During the run up to the event we will be running a competition and entries can be handed in to class teachers from Monday 27th February up until the day. We are looking for photographs of the children reading in unusual locations! Having run this competition previously we look forward to seeing how creative you can be! The five lucky competition winners will each receive a £5 book token which can be spent at the school book fair. The book fair will be arriving on the 6<sup>th</sup> March and details of the opening times will be sent out via parent mail. World Book Day is a charity-based project and your child will have bought home a £1 book token this week, supplied through the organization. From the many participating bookshops and supermarkets, they will be able to choose a book for free. Details of the books on offer can be found on the Word Book Day website.

## **Items from Home**

We ask that your child does not bring in additional items from home such as toys, note books and pens. Items are getting lost or damaged.

Instead, we will provide a colouring box at breaks and lunchtimes.

Year 5 and 6 remain able to bring their own pencil cases as part of their transition towards Secondary School.

We thank you for your understanding with this.



## **Swanwick Stars!**

On the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> March, we are holding a music concert from 6-7pm to celebrate our Swanwick Stars and to raise money for our Music curriculum. There will be performances from our woodwind and piano players, Year 4 Ukuleles and Year 5 and 6 choir, along with refreshments provided by Friends of Swanwick and fantastic raffle prizes to be won. Raffle tickets will be available to purchase at the start of next term at £1 a strip and some of the prizes include: Lunch for 2 at the Peak Edge Hotel, Laser Quest tickets, Paradise Golf tickets, Heights of Abraham voucher and many more! More information will be released at the start of next term to purchase tickets for the concert, so keep your eyes peeled! Miss Harris





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## Year 1 Explorer Day success!

The staff and children had a fabulous day during our Explorer Day. We explored a variety of orienteering activities alongside a trek to Antarctica. We survived the day after refuelling with Hot Chocolate! To see a full set of images, please click here.

## **NSPCC Number Day Total Raised**

We really enjoyed the NSPCC Number day and thankyou to everyone for their incredible effort with number outfits! You can see a full set of images from our day by <u>clicking here</u>. We raised a total of £203.10.













### Vacancies

We have 3 vacancies advertised on the Derbyshire County Council site.

<u>1 Relief Midday Supervisor</u> <u>1 Permanent Midday Supervisor</u> <u>1 Relief Breakfast Club Assistant</u> 1 Breakfast Club Assistant

If you are interested in any of these roles, please click on the links above to apply!

#### **Sparks Film Club**

There is an opportunity to take part in a free trial for Spark's Film Club. If you are interested, <u>please click here</u>.

#### Volunteers

If you can offer any spare time to volunteer at our school, we are always keen to hear from you. We know that parent links are very important and that you all have a wide range of skills to share with the children. If you have a particular passion/or simply want to support class teachers with readers, please let us know.

#### **Multiplication Check**

Thank you to the parents and carers who came to the Multiplication Check meeting; it was great to meet you all and share some information about the upcoming check. If you were unable to attend a meeting, please <u>click here</u> to view the booklet that was shared. More details about the check will be available closer to the time. Thank you for your continued support. Mrs C. Staley Mathematics Lead

## Year 3 and 4 Dodgeball



On Thursday we went to Alfreton Leisure Centre to compete against 16 other schools in our local area at dodgeball. The children were pumped and raring to go. We had a mixture of bad luck and good fortune winning one out of three in the first round but were much more successful in the next round of games. They all showed great passion and honesty

whilst playing which were two of the competition values. We were both so proud of how honest our children were when hit and the level of sportsmanship shown was magnificent. We are so proud of you all, you were great role models for Swanwick Primary School.

Miss Calderbank and Miss Mallard

