



SWANWICK STORY

Friday 16th June 2023

This Swanwick Story contains important NEW information about Transition Plans for all children moving into Y1-Y6 in September 2023. It also contains information about September start and finish times.

Please read through to ensure you are familiar with the plans as we have a planned parent event included!

General Reminders

Keeping Children Safe in Hot Weather-

As the weather improves we are mindful of all our children and how heat exhaustion can impact their wellbeing. Please look through the following [2 leaflets](#) from Derbyshire County Council for guidance.

Water Safety-

The following information might just save a life- please take a few minutes to read this.

[Water Safety Leaflet](#)

Online Safety-

It's been an exciting time recently for video games with the recent Summer Games 2023 Expo announcing many new games or updates for popular games including Fortnite and Roblox!

It can be confusing when our children start talking about the newest game they want, so if you're unsure, head to www.pegi.info and search for the name of any released game. It will give you a break-down of the age rating, as well as information about some of the contents of the game.

As always, if you're unsure, please just drop and in speak to me.

Mr. Cartwright

CELEBRATE!

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all of you who came along to our Swanwick Stars concert earlier this year and to those who donated money to help our Music department in school. We are so grateful for all of the support that Friends of Swanwick have provided, along with their donation to help us purchase even more musical instruments for school!

We now have a class set of glockenspiels, recorders and 2 class sets of boom whackers! We have also booked an exciting Steel Drum workshop at the end of June for all children in school to enjoy!



Year 1 Phonics Screening

A big well done to the Year 1 children who have completed their Phonics Screening Check this week.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

A special shout out to all the Year 4's who completed the Multiplication check this week. You remained focused and make us proud.

Cricket Team

A big well done to our Year 5 & 6 Cricket Team who performed excellently at a Cricket Tournament at Alfreton Cricket Club on 14th June. After four games, the team recorded three victories and one loss, ultimately finishing in second place. There was some excellent Cricket on display and everyone had an enjoyable evening in the sunshine.



Summer Term News

We have lots of events happening during the final few weeks!

I am re-sharing the diary dates using this link- [Diary Dates Summer Term](#).

Below, you will find some further information about some of the events plus **NEW details about our Transition Move up Week!**

Sports Day Wednesday 21st June 2023

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Sports day on Wednesday 21st June. On the day, children need to come to school dressed in their PE kit and bring a hat, sun cream and drinks bottle. KS2 will have received a slip and KS1 will receive a slip on Monday, informing you of the team your child will be in and the starting activity and location so you can find them easily on the day.

Morning Events – EYFS & Key Stage 1 (Reception, Y1 & Y2)

Arrival for parents 9:25-9:40am- South Street Gate

Start time 9:45am

Finishing around 11.00am

Afternoon Events – Key Stage 2 (Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6)

Arrival for parents 1:10-1:25pm- South Street Gate

Start time 1:30pm

Finishing around 2.45pm

Summer BBQ Friday 7th July



Sunday 25th June – Family Fun Day External Event

If you are looking for some family fun, please take a look at this [Family Fun Event Leaflet](#).

Year 5 Performance Thursday 6th July

Just a reminder to Year 5 parents that the Year 5 performance will be on Thursday 6th July at 2:15pm. More details will go out via Parent Hub closer to the date.

PSHE and RSE Lesson Content



Thank you to everyone that responded to our PSHE and RSHE Form.

We are aware that some parents had questions about the content of the RSHE lessons and we want to re-share [the link](#) which will show you the exact vocabulary and details covered within each year group.

In case you missed it, here is a link to the [letter sent out on the 24th May](#).

Alternatively, you can find this using our school website.

Once you have looked at the content for your child's year group, if you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher and they will be able to give you further information. The event taking place on the 4th of July at 3:30-4:15pm will be a more general overview of the RSHE curriculum and whole school coverage. We understand that not everyone will be able to make this meeting so the slides will be shared with parents after the event. This event is strictly for parents and carers. All school-age children can go to Miss Wright's classroom after collection until the end of the event.



Transition Week and Plans for Moving up!

Tough Runner and Pirate Obstacle Course- Coming Soon!

Tough Runner Friday 7th July

On Friday 7th July, the children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will get chance to take part in a 'Tough Runner' assault course which involves a variety of exciting and challenging obstacles set up on the school field. After completing the course, which includes cargo nets, stepping through tyres and other challenges, there is a water slide and the children will get wet and muddy.

Pirate Obstacle Course Friday 14th July

On Friday 14th July, the children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will get chance to take part in a Pirate Obstacle Course which involves a variety of exciting and challenging obstacles set up on the school field. There are some adult-operated water sprays in this activity, meaning children may get wet.

In order to take part in both of these events, it is essential that each child comes to school in their PE kit (old clothing and old trainers) and brings a full change of clothing including a change of shoes and towel in a plastic bag with their name on. This bag will be used to bring home their wet and muddy clothes. Children without this will not be able to fully participate.

You may have noticed that we have planned Transition Activities from Friday 7th July to Friday 14th July. For the majority of this time, children will be spending time in their existing classrooms completing transition activities for their next class teacher.

New Classes

We will be letting the children know who their next teacher will be on July 3rd. This will also be shared with parents on this date.



Move up Day

There will be a move up day on Wednesday the 12th July for the children. On this day, children will be arriving to their usual classroom and will finish the day in their new classroom. Further details will be sent out closer to the day. Any Year 6 children who are not visiting Swanwick Hall on this day will be supporting some of our activities.

Meet the Teacher- Parent Event

Each Year Group Teaching Team will be holding a session in one of the classrooms at the times below. This will be a chance for parents to visit one of the classrooms and meet the teachers and some of the TAs for their child's new year group. The new year group teachers will be sharing a range of information around what is needed, what the timetables look like and what is expected in that year group. There is no need to sign up; please just arrive at South Street gate at the time and date below.



Parent Meeting	Date of Meeting	Room (see map)
Current EYFS Moving to Year 1	Tuesday 11 th July 2:30-3	Blue Room
Current Year 1 Moving into Year 2	Monday 10 th July 2:30-3	Green Room
Current Year 2 Moving into Year 3	Friday 7 th July 2:30-3	Red room
Current Year 3 Moving into Year 4	Thursday 13 th July 2:30-3	Purple Room
Current Year 4 Moving into Year 5	Friday 14 th July 2:30-3	Orange Room
Current Year 5 Moving into Year 6	Friday 14 th July 2:30-3	Yellow Room



School Start and Finish times September 2023

Thank you for your feedback around start and finish times. From September 2023, our times will be the following

Both Gates open 8:40- 8:50 daily.

Year Group	Start	Finish
EYFS	8:50	3:20
Y1	8:50	3:20
Y2	8:50	3:20
Y3	8:50	3:25
Y4	8:50	3:25
Y5	8:50	3:25
Y6	8:50	3:25

The signs we have been actively using in school are-

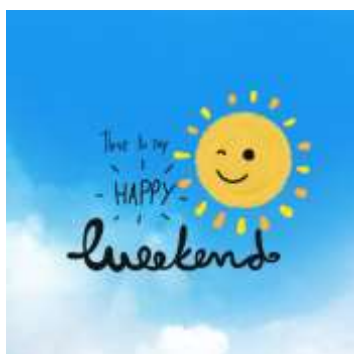


Makaton



Our sign of the week this week is- **Same**

You can find a [video here](#).



Singing Hands

We LOVE 'Singing Hands' at our school. Perhaps you can try this one at home! They are a fabulous way to learn some more Makaton with your child.



Makaton - YOU TO ME ARE EVERYTHING - Singing Hands

[You to Me are Everything](#)

