



SWANWICK STORY

Friday 20 May 2022

We have just one more week left until half-term. School will close on **Friday 27 May** and will reopen on **Monday 6 June**.

Don't forget that **school will also be closed to pupils on Monday 13 June** for our final INSET Day this academic year.

Sun Safety

The warmer weather is back (when it feels like it!)

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

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

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.

Uniform Ordering

We have been reminded by our uniform providers about deadlines for September ordering:

[Order by August 1 2022](#)

If your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium, we will again be providing vouchers towards the purchase of uniform. These were in your child's bag last week. If your child was absent, then we have held onto these for safe keeping!



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KS1 SATs

Y2 staff will continue to administer the SATs on the following days:

Maths - Monday 23 and 24 May

Here is a copy of the information shared with parents at Parents' Meetings:

[KS1 SATs](#)

Well done to everyone for all of their efforts so far...nearly there!

Y1 Phonics Screening

Year 1 children will be completing the statutory Phonics Screening Tests Week Commencing June 6 2022.

We have been working hard in class to embed the sounds from our phonic scheme and to read a range of words phonetically.

We have included a parent guide and some practice words on the school website.

[Y1 Phonics Screening Check](#)

It would be helpful if all Year 1 parents take the opportunity to view these to become more familiar with the process.

Breakfast Club Bookings

Bookings are now being taken for registered children for Breakfast Club for Summer Term 2. Please complete the form to book places:

[Breakfast Club Booking Form](#)

Please can you ensure any outstanding payments are also made before the end of next week. Thank you.

Amazing Authors

At half-term, there is an opportunity to see some favourite children's authors. Please click here to find out who: [Derby Book Festival](#)

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

We will be celebrating this exciting event on **Friday 27 May**.



We have purchased a **special medal** to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee for all of our children and staff.

The children have been learning a **special song** to sing on the day, engage in Jubilee activities and are invited to celebrate on this day by:

- 1) Wearing red, white and blue
- 2) Creating a celebratory hat and bringing it in to be judged

What to wear on the day:

We have been asked for some clarity regarding PE Days etc. so hopefully the following information helps:

- **Reception** and **Y4** usually have PE on a Friday. We can clarify that they do NOT need to wear clothes suitable for PE on this day
- **Y5** will still have swimming on this day. Therefore, be mindful of this when choosing your red, white and blue ensembles!
- However, **Y6** WILL be having PE on this day. We have been lucky enough to book a session through AVSSP so that everyone in Y6 can participate in Wheelchair Basketball on that day. Please ensure your child's red, white and blue ensemble is suitable for PE.



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let you know when we are ready to send them home. Thank you for your patience.

Hat Competition

There will be one prize per class for the hat competition. This is an opportunity for your child to create a home-made celebratory hat for the Jubilee if they would like to.

We ask that hats are only brought in on the day as we don't have the space to store them.

We are excited to see all the creations 😊

Nut-free school

Just a reminder that we have several children in school who have severe nut allergies.

Now the sun has put his hat back on, we would like to remind you that Nivea children's sun cream now contains Almond Oil.

In order to protect our school community, we are asking that this brand of sun cream should not be worn to school or brought into school.

In addition, please can you remember not to put products containing nuts in lunch boxes, including products such as Nutella.

Thank you for your support to help to keep all of our children safe. We really appreciate it.

Class Photographs

A paper copy of your child's class photograph should be coming home with them today. For further information about how to order a digital, colour copy to help us raise much needed school funds, please log into your Parent Pay account.

Leavers' Hoodies

Just to let you know we are expecting these to be delivered some time during the week of June 13. It will take us some time to check our delivery and get some information to you on when the children are able to wear them in school. We will

Sports Day 2022

Miss Mallard and Mrs Turner have been busy behind the scenes organising this year's event. There will be more information coming soon, but you will find a LOT of information in this letter, including dates and times. Please do read it!

[Sports Day](#)

Watch this space for more info...

End of the school day – keeping everyone safe

We know it is really tempting for little ones to run around the school site whilst waiting at the end of the school day – banks of grass and bars around steps look very inviting for rolling and climbing on. However, we do ask that you ensure your children are kept safely with you so that they don't hurt themselves. We also ask that any outdoor school equipment is not used without supervision from staff.

Thank you for helping us to maintain a calm end to the day, enabling our KS2 children and staff the opportunity to continue to learn without too many distractions from outside.



Enjoy the weekend everyone – see you Monday!