

# **SWANWICK STORY**

# Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Just a reminder that we break up today and do not return until Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

# PE Days Autumn 2

PE Timetable- Autumn 2	
EYFS	Wednesday
Year 1	Monday and Thursday
Year 2	Monday and Friday
Year 3	Wednesday and Friday
Year4	Wednesday and Friday
Year 5	Monday and Tuesday
Year 6	Thursday

#### Hello Yellow Day



The children were fantastic during our Hello Yellow Day to raise the profile of the importance of talking about mental health. Mrs Walton, Mrs Stone and Mrs Parr have been busy selling raffle tickets to raise money alongside the donations on the day. Proceeds of the raffle will be split between Hello Yellow and by supporting the wellbeing of our pupils during breaks and lunchtimes. The winners will be announced Via Parent Hub today. Good Luck!

For more information about Young Minds then please click on this link: Young Minds

### School Menu- Autumn and Winter

You can find the new Autumn and Winter school Menu on our site- <u>Click here</u>

# **Athletics Competition Success**

We have been lucky enough to take some fantastic Athletics teams to competitions the last couple of weeks. Mrs Turner and Miss Randall took a superb group of Year 2s, who showed absolute grit and determination and managed to place first- a huge well done to all involved! Miss Mallard and Mrs Parr accompanied a fantastic Year 5 and 6 team and, the competition was certainly very tough. The children absolutely gave it their all, and came together as a team that showed a great level of sportsmanship and maturity. These children were runners up in a very high-calibre event, and absolutely did our school proud. We can't wait to see how our Year 3 and 4s do on our last day of term- we will have to wait until after half term!



All of these events have been run by the AVSSP (Amber Valley School Sports Partnership) as part of the School Games. Within these competitions the following values are promoted: Passion, Self-belief, Respect, Honesty, Determination and Team work.

#### Car Parks

We are appealing to parents to please keep all children with you after collection.
Unfortunately, there has been some damage to school cars in the car park and also concerns

around safety of the children. We thank you for your support

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# **Playtime Changes**

We have responded to some key messages from our pupil feedback around children feeling less safe during break times. In response to this, we have decided to trial an 'active breaks' session in the afternoons. We will not be having a set 'afternoon play' but instead we will be giving classes an active break within a designated year group space. This means our children will still have the opportunity to get exercise and a snack, but at a time that suits the class.

Morning breaks will still remain the same.

This is on a trial basis and will begin after half term but we want to reassure you that we are invested in making changes to meet the pupil voice.

# Autumn Dress-Up Fun Day

# Dress up day- 31st October 2022

We will be having an Autumn Dress-Up day please come to school in Autumn inspired non uniform/Fancy Dress - this can be Halloween, Bonfire Night or any other Autumn inspired outfits, just please no face paint or scary masks. The children will be making Autumn crafts to sell during the week and the Friends of Swanwick Primary School will be having an 'Autumn Treats and Pocket Money' Accessories Stall after School on this day, at home time. There will be Chocolate Apples, Cakes, Biscuits etc... Please come along and support us. If you can support us with autumn inspired baked treats, please drop these at the stallthey will be gratefully received! If you decide to bake allergen free please could you supply a list of ingredients so we can display with the items for anyone wishing to purchase them and ensure we keep separate from other items.

All funds raised will go to the Swanwick Friends who help support our school and our children.

Thank you.

# **School Council Competition**

Our wonderful School Council are back up and running with two new Year 1 Reps.
They have introduced a competition as their first task on the agenda for the Autumn Term 2022. The competition is open to all Year Groups and is to design a Logo to go on the front cover of our \*NEW \* Child - Friendly, Anti - Bullying Leaflet. Please complete this over the half - term break in a medium of your choice on any sized paper. The closing date is Monday 31st October and the school council will be judging it! Good luck everyone. Miss Holmes

# Midday Supervisor Roles

We are advertising some Midday supervisor roles- please <u>click here</u> to find out more.





# Year 2 Pirate Day!

Why does it take a pirate so long to learn the alphabet? Because they get stuck at "c"

Year 2 had a great day when they came to school dressed as pirates as a follow up to their work on the book, 'The Pirates of Scurvy Sands!' They had an amazing time in the hall, where they got the chance to climb the rope ladders, scrub the decks and even walk the plank! This was all followed by a treasure hunt around the playground and an afternoon of map making. A big thank you to parents for the wonderful costumes at the children for making the day really memorable.

# **Athletics Champions**

Congratulations to the year 2 children who represented the school in an athletics competition on Thursday against other schools in the area. The children performed exceptionally well taking part in a mixture of running, jumping and throwing events. They showed great teamwork supporting each other throughout. It was a great evening and the children won the competition, they did the school and themselves proud. Thank you to all the staff and parents who supported this event.



