



AUTUMN TERM

21st September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

From Monday 24th September - Change to morning procedures - Parents and Carers

To reduce the number of open entry gates into school, and simplify the morning routine, we are making the following changes from Monday.

1. As you bring your children to school, we would like everyone to gather in the ball court, please.

NOTE: For safety reasons, this means children will not be able to play games involving equipment at this time.

2. There will be a teacher on duty in the ball court at 8.40am.
3. All class teachers will arrive in the playground at 8.45am.

4. At 8.45am a bell will be rung for the children to line up with their class teacher. When the bell is rung, we would kindly ask parents and carers to move to the side of the ball court, where you stand at the end of the school day.

5. The class teacher will then lead their classes from the ball court into school.

We would be grateful if you could follow this procedure and thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Swannington CE Primary School - Parent Governor Elections

As part of the formation of the Local Governing Body for Swannington CE Primary School, 2 posts will be held by parent governors. Packs will be sent out to every family on Monday 24th September. They will include a nomination form for you to complete if you think you would like to be involved in this valuable role.

School Clubs

This week has seen the start of the first clubs for this half term.

The clubs are as follows:

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| Monday 3.15-4.15pm | Multi-Skills Club | Years R-3 |
| Tuesday 8am to 8.40am | NWLSSP Multi-Skills Club | Year 3-6 |
| Thursday 3.15-4.15pm | Football | Years 3-6 |

Clubs will be reviewed by school and the children, towards the half-term holiday. Decisions will then be made to keep or amend the offer for the second half term.



FOSS News

The FOSS AGM meeting was very well attended by parents and carers on Tuesday 18th September. During the meeting, a new Chair was appointed, Hazel Benson with the Vice-Chair as Katrina Ball, Secretary Victoria Kelby and Treasurer Sarah Truswell.

Thank you to the committee members for agreeing to take on their respective roles and also for the ongoing support of our families. FOSS have suggested a number of events that will be held over the Autumn term. More details will follow!

Classroom News

EYFS Acorn Class

Mrs Lupion reports: 'The children have settled in really well. I am so impressed with their listening skills. They can all retell the story of 'The Little Red Hen', following a given story map. They are enjoying building new friendships and are really looking forward to our visit to the farm next week. Here they will explore how feeding of the animals takes place and they will have a tractor ride too!'

Y1/2 Oak Class

Mrs Massie reports: 'Children in Oak class have come back to school full of enthusiasm and we can already see new friendships forming. They have thoroughly enjoyed sharing information about themselves with the class, as part of our topic, 'All About Me'. Children have also created some fantastic work about Little Red Riding Hood and everyone did a brilliant job of presenting their version to the class.'

Y3/4 Chestnut Class

Miss Taylor reports: 'The children have enjoyed examining flowers in Science lessons and discussing the different parts of a flower and their functions. They have worked in the style of botanists, creating artistic pictures of the flowers using watercolours - examining the details very carefully. In English lessons, children have enjoyed writing fictional news reports about Goldilocks. They explored evidence given to them about the events in the house of the three bears, before writing their reports!'



Y5/6 Sycamore Class

Mrs Fitzpatrick reports: 'Pupils in Sycamore are enthusiastically studying Ancient Egypt this term. They have already found out about the importance of the River Nile and Egyptian Gods. Sycamore have produced some stunning art work, which has been put on display to showcase their talents. Here is our display so far...'



We are now in the process of putting together our Harvest Assembly - a story from the bible set in Egypt!

With kind regards,
Adele Leadbeater

Swannington CE Primary School -Autumn Term 2018 Diary Dates

| Date | Event |
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| 27.9.18 | Farm visit Acorn - Reception |
| 27.9.18 | School Nurse drop in session 2.30pm |
| 27.9.18 | Stay, Play and Pray 3.15pm |
| 3.10.18 | School Photographs |
| 4.10.18 | Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Festival |
| 9.10.18 | Parents- Pupil Progress Evenings |
| 10.10.18 | Parents- Pupil Progress Evenings |
| 11.10.18 | Harvest Assembly 9:15 at the Village Hall |
| 11.10.18 | Friendly football match Swannington V Whitwick away. 3.30pm kick off |
| 12.10.18 | Dress up in your Onesie/Pyjamas £1 donation |
| 12.10.18 | Last day - Half term holiday next week |
| 15.10.18 to 19.10.18 | Half term holiday |
| 25.10.18 | Stay, Play and Pray 3.15pm |
| 26.10.18 | Leicestershire Life Education Bus - all classes |
| 26.10.18 | FOSS Film Night |
| 30.10.18 | School Nurse drop in session 8.30am |
| 16.11.18 | Flu Immunisations |
| 25.11.18 | Winter Tea Party at the Village Hall 2-5pm |
| 29.11.18 | School Nurse drop in session 2.30pm |
| 7.12.18 | FOSS Christmas Disco 6-8pm |
| 17.12.18 | Sycamore Y5/6 - Christmas Party |
| 18.12.18 | Pantomime - Loughborough |
| 19.12.18 | Chestnut Y3/4 -Christmas Party |
| 20.12.18 | Acorn YR and Oak Y1/2 -Christmas Party |
| 21.12.18 | Last day of Autumn term |

Parents' Views: You can e-mail the school office at any time to share your views. E-mails will be forwarded to me.