

Swallowfield Lower School

Our vision is Support. Nurture. Inspire. Achieve

This month's focus is on Inspire. To inspire is to encourage, enthuse, motivate and reassure. At Swallowfield Lower School the curriculum is designed to encourage children to become lifelong learners.

Our OFSTED inspection in October 2021 noted that:

'Pupils at Swallowfield are excited by learning. They are keen to share their knowledge and their enjoyment across a broad range of subjects. Pupils are motivated by their learning and want to achieve well. They are well prepared for their next stage of education.'

'Teaching builds on what pupils have learned before. Pupils are encouraged to reflect on their learning and identity what they need to do to get better at something. Adults are skilful in planning learning that is appropriate to children's needs and interests.'

'Pupils also learn to work together and to respect each other's differences. Pupils are becoming active citizens.' One example of this is our School Parliament ably led by an elected Prime Minister. Each class has an elected member who attends Parliament meetings. They raise issues that are important to them, explore these with their class and then discuss and make final decisions. In the past, the children have been instrumental in developing the wooded area, purchasing new ICT programs for Maths and purchasing valuable resources for the school. Our Parliament is an active group who take great pride in representing their peers and make a real difference to life in school.

Our families also inspire the children by taking part in our 'World at Work' week. In the past, parents and carers have given talks to the children about life at work, their experiences and shared a wide range of skills.

If you wish to join our Swallowfield family and are considering applying for a place at Swallowfield Lower School or Busy Bees Pre-School, we will be happy to show you and your child/children around with a personal tour.

Please contact the school on 01908 582101, email <u>office1@swallowfieldlowerschool.co.uk</u> or visit our website at <u>swallowfieldlowerschool.co.uk</u>

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