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Swallowfield Primary

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Tuesday 5th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to welcoming the first ever Year 6s to Swallowfield Primary tomorrow, but before then, we have some important information that will hopefully answer any questions you may have about Year 6 and the first few weeks of term.

YEAR 6 START/FINISH TIMES

Year 6 School Hours: **8.45am - 3.15pm.**

Year 6 will enter school through the new park gate. The gates will be opened at 8.45am and closed at 8.55am. School will finish at 3.15pm and children will be released from the park gate.

If you are happy for your child to walk to or from school, please email your child's class teacher to advise them of your consent. We do understand that for peace of mind your child may want to bring a phone to school– this is allowed but phones must be switched off and given to the class teacher each morning for safekeeping.

PLEASE NOTE: that the new park gate is not ready yet so we would like all Y6s to enter the school through the main school gate into the playground.

HOMEWORK

We know that the time spent out of school for all children is valuable and usually filled with other commitments, but we will be setting **1 mandatory homework task per week.** We will be sending Homework Books home in the first weeks of this term for the homework tasks to be completed. In addition to this, we also strongly recommend that your child spends at least 10 minutes independently reading a level-appropriate book.

VR DAY

We are excited that Monday 18th will be the Y6 VR Day. Please ensure that we have your consent and that you have made the payment of £6 to the bank details mentioned on the ping. Please make sure you reference your payment with your child's name.

MOBILE PHONES

Y6s will be allowed to bring mobile phones to school if they are walking to/from school on their own, but as we mentioned above, these **MUST** be handed over to their teacher in the morning. Pupils will not be allowed to access/ use/ view their phones until the school day is over. The mobile phones will be locked away throughout the day.



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ASSESSMENTS/ SATS

We know that there has been a lot of publicity around SATs over the recent months and although we will be preparing your children with practise tests and assessments, we would like to take this time now that that is not the sole purpose of Year 6. We aim to help the children to become independent learners and resilient, kind and all rounded people who are ready for their transition into secondary education.

PE DAYS

Mondays will be the Year 6 PE day. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing appropriate footwear and PE kit. Please remember no jewellery or earrings on PE days and plan piercings accordingly.

NORMANDY

We are busy planning the Y6 residential trip to Normandy and will be sending out a detailed letter including a payment plan and more details of activities and transport.

Communication

Should you wish to contact us, our emails are:

Mr Plumbly: r.plumbly@swallowfieldprimary.com

Mr Carter: p.carter@swallowfieldprimary.com

If you have any urgent matters, please contact the school office on: 01908 582101

Please let us know if you have any other questions or queries.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Plumbly, Mr Carter and Mrs Middleton