

Swallowfield Primary

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Monday 15th April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back and we hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing break. We have lots of exciting learning planned for this year and can't wait to continue the children's learning and development this term.

Our history topic this half term is Leisure and Entertainment, and we are busy planning lots of exciting activities for the children. You will also find copies of our medium-term plans, knowledge organisers for specific subjects and example timetables on the school website and in Google Classrooms.

Personal, Social, Health and Emotional (PSHE) Education

This term we will be teaching the children the Relationships and Sex Education aspects of the PSHE curriculum – a separate letter was sent before the Easter break, detailing specific subject matter, lesson content and our approach.

PE and Swimming

Our PE day continues to be on a **Wednesday**. Your child will need to come to school in their PE kit on this day. We hope to have one outdoor PE lesson (weather permitting), so the children will need to be appropriately dressed. It might be a good idea to wear shorts under tracksuit bottoms, a navy-blue sweatshirt or school fleece will be necessary if the weather is colder, and trainers will be better than plimsoles. We will not be able to offer spare kit to the children so please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit every Wednesday. Also, please ensure that all jewellery and earrings are removed on that day.

We will be swimming this term Rowan Class will swim on a **Tuesday** morning and Maple Class will swim on a **Wednesday** morning, so please ensure children have the appropriate kit in school. We will be swimming for this half term only in order to give all year groups an opportunity to swim during the summer term.

Homework

Homework will continue to be sent and submitted via Google classrooms. The children will be set 3 pieces of **compulsory** homework each week; Spellings, Maths and a written piece of work. Homework is intended not only to consolidate their learning in class but also to encourage their independent learning, organisation skills and self-discipline. Any work that is not completed by the due date will need to be completed during lunch and breaktimes at school.



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Homework will be posted on Friday afternoons and should be submitted by the following Friday morning. Any completed homework should be submitted via Google Classroom. Photographs or short video clips are an excellent way to record projects or practical pieces of work. It will not be necessary to submit spelling practice.

If completing or accessing homework is proving difficult or challenging, please sign your child up for one of the after-school homework clubs where one of the class teachers will be available to offer help or support.

Equipment

Please ensure that children are only bring the required stationery items into school – a full list is available on the Year 5 website page. The only additional items that your child will need to bring in to school are a refillable water bottle, fruit or vegetable snack and a reading book (if they prefer to read a book from home).

Please try and avoid excessively large bags as cloakroom space is limited.

Communication

Any important or urgent information will continue to be communicated via School Ping. If you need to contact either of the class teachers, please do so via email:

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

Please let us know if you have any questions or queries and we look forward to continuing to work with you.

Yours sincerely

The Year 5 Team.