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June 2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the half term break. I hope you all enjoyed the holiday and a little bit of sunshine and warmth! There are a lot of activities taking place this half term and it promises to be a fun-filled run up to the end of the school year.

<u>Classes for next year</u> We will be operating 4 classes next year with the following qualified teachers: Reception – Mrs Stanley & Mrs Siswick Year 1 & 2 – Mrs Morris Year 3 & 4 – Mrs Stocks & Mrs Walker Year 5 & 6 – Mr Woods

Mrs Rutherford is retiring at the end of the school year after an amazing 28 years working at Swarland Primary! We wish Mrs Rutherford a happy retirement and pass on our heartfelt thanks for all she has done for us.

Teaching assistants will also be supporting our children - Miss Irving, Miss Owen and a new TA to replace Mrs Rutherford, that we are currently recruiting for.

Due to the variation in the number of pupils in the KS2 classes of Year 5 & 6 and Year 3 & 4, we will be operating a KS2 unit as we did this year. This will involve children being registered with their class teacher and then accessing opportunities for socialising, interaction and learning in different groups. This meets the children's needs. For example, your child may have maths with their class teacher but have their grammar or spelling session with a different teacher to address their next steps.

Children in all classes, will have the opportunity to meet their next teacher before the end of the summer term on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July.















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# Sharing Learning Session

Parents are invited to join us for another Sharing learning Session on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June from 2:30pm. This will be an opportunity for you to discuss with your child, the learning and work in their books. It is child-led although their teacher will be available in the room.

# Transition Days

The feeder schools should have now been in touch with parents regarding the transition days for their child. As we have more than one feeder school having their transition dates on different days, please could we ask parents to make their own arrangements to transport their child to and from the feeder schools on transition days.

# <u>Cultural Topic</u>

Every summer term for the last few weeks, we deliver a themed cultural topic to the whole school. This is an opportunity to immerse children in another culture. This year we will be exploring Canada and inviting artists into school to work with us a large art project. This has been kindly funded by the H.S.A.

# Sports Day

Weather permitting, we will be hosting our Sports Day on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July from 1:00pm. Parents are welcome to join us and cheer on their children. All children will take part in carousel of activities before ending with year group track events. Please could you make sure your child has their P.E. kit in school each day for additional sports practises. The HSA will provide cakes, hot dogs and refreshments for sale afterwards and parents are invited to stay for this.

# Leavers Disco

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July, all children are invited to a Leavers Disco at school between 5-6:30pm. There is a cost of £3 for entry which includes refreshments.















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Leavers Assembly

Our Leavers Assembly will be taking place on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 1pm. Parents are welcome to join us. Please note only KS2 children are in the assembly due to lack of space but the younger children will have had the opportunity to watch their performance earlier in the week.

Regards,

Louise Fletcher Headteacher















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<u>Dates for your Diary</u> Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June - School reopens for pupils after the half term

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Class photographs

Week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> June - Y1 phonics test & Y4 multiplication test

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 London trip

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June - Sharing Learning session 2:30pm

19<sup>th</sup> June - New Reception transition visits begin for 4 weeks

Monday  $1^{\rm st}$  July - Sports Day (subject to change later in the week dependent on weather)

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - DCHS transition day for year 6

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Dr Thomlinson Year 4 transition days

 $16^{\,\text{th}}$  July - Leavers Assembly 1:00pm

17<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers Disco 5:00-6:30pm











