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Dear Parents,

Parent Consultations

On Thursday 19th October, we will be holding our first Parent Consultations of the year. This provides an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and discuss how they have settled in, progress and next steps. Appointments may be booked by using the Parent Evening Booking Form on Parentmail.

Celebrations

Every Friday we have a celebration assembly. Outstanding work and effort is shared and exemplary behaviour from role model students celebrated. We also celebrate those that have demonstrated our learning behaviours of resilience, perseverance, attitude, independence, tolerance and readiness. Children also share their achievements outside of school with others, should they wish to do so.

Thank you

Thank you very much to all of those who contributed to our crowd funding page to purchase new outdoor play equipment for the children. **We raised £2093!** The new playground equipment should hopefully arrive in the next few weeks.

Fundraising

Rag Bag - We have a collection receptacle in our school car park. We can accept the following items: wearable clothing, paired shoes, handbags and belts. Every time the Rag Bag receptacle is emptied the school receives a donation. Low grade textiles are made into industrial wiping cloths, carpets, underlay and mattress linings. Good quality clothing is transported to Africa and other developing nations where your old clothes are re-used.

Easy Fundraising - we are a member of Easy Fundraising. It won't cost you a penny to support us and in the last few years we have raised over £1,000 for the school! Easy Fundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. The cost is covered by the brand. Please see the link below:





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<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/swarlandprimaryschool/?searchSessionId=9ae1cca7-1704-4faf-bd0e-0743e05ed475>

Facebook & Twitter

To support parental engagement and keep parents well informed we have a new Twitter/ X feed on **SwarlandPrimary**.

We will soon be launching a closed Facebook Group for parents. If you wish to join the Swarland Primary Parents group, a link will be sent via Parentmail in the next few days. As this is a closed group, parents wishing to may request to join. Once approved, they will be able to access the page. The link is only live for two days.

The children do so many great things in school and some of this you do not get to see or hear about. We would love to be able to share photos and videos of things happening in school. To help us with safeguarding and keeping our school ethos we ask that only respectful comments are made by adults. This platform is not for child use. Any inappropriate comments or activity will result in that member being removed from the group. Photos and videos will only be posted in accordance with the school photographic consent forms already completed. I hope you find this useful.

Respect & Safety

Our children are always reminded of the rules at the start of the year. This year we have simplified them into an overarching theme of Respect & Safety. This encompasses the behaviours we expect from all of children in school.

Holiday Club & Wrap Around Provision

Swarland Shining Stars Ltd offer wrap around care Monday to Friday. Please call 07522155922 to book a place in breakfast or after-school club.

Holiday Club will be running in October half term from Monday 30/10/23 - Thursday 2/11/23. Please call the above number to book a place.



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Follow Up

Following on from the emails regarding the uniform letter, could we please clarify that our policy states school **does not** require branded or logo uniform. Regarding jewellery, watches are fine and small stud earrings can be worn but are not recommended for safety reasons and must be removed for PE.

Dates For Diaries

Thursday 12th October - All children will take part in first aid workshops

Thursday 19th October - Parent consultations 1-6pm

Friday 27th October - Home School Association Halloween Bingo 5pm doors open

Friday 27th October - School closes for half-term holiday

Monday 6th November - School re-opens after half term

Friday 10th November - Y1-Y6 trip to Lilidorei, Alnwick

Friday 17th November - Children in Need non-uniform day

