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Dear Parents/Carers,

Staffing

At the end of this academic year, Mrs Mason will be leaving Swarland First School to take up her own Headship in a local school. I am sure you will all join with me in wishing Mrs Mason all the best in her new post and gratitude for the commitment she has shown the children in her care over the years. We know that she will be greatly missed.

Outdoor Clothing

Our Forest School curriculum activities has had excellent feedback from children and parents so far. We are delighted with the enthusiasm and engagement from children. For safety reasons, all children will need their outdoor clothing (trousers that can get muddy and a long sleeved t-shirt) and wellies for Forest School activities left on their pegs in school.

School Logo Competition

At the end of last term our new school logo competition was launched to design a bold and eye-catching logo that represented our school for when we become Swarland Primary School. The Governors and staff were very impressed with the creativity and originality of the different entries. There were so many great ideas that we asked a graphic designer to incorporate together our favourite entries from Nell, Iona and Lara. The logo design can be seen below. The symbolism behind the logo is based on the children's ideas which are that children grow and are nurtured at Swarland and are encouraged to reach for the stars. The overall image represents our rural location and work as a forest school.



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Commemorative Medals

Swarland & Newton-On-The-Moor Parish Council have kindly purchased a commemorative medal for all pupils in every parish in the school, to mark the occasion of the Queen's 90th Birthday. They will be presented to the children in a special assembly later this term. Thank you very much for the kind generosity of the Swarland & Newton-on-The -Moor Parish Council.

Summer Term Assessments

Year 1 phonics test will take place week beginning 13th June. Year 2 who did not pass the test in Year 1 will have to re-sit the test. The results of the test will be reported to parents along with their end of year report. The phonics test requires children to read 40 words, 20 real and 20 nonsense words using their phonics to decode them.

Warmest regards,

Louise Fletcher

Dates For Diaries

Monday 6th June - Children come back to school.

Tuesday 7th June - H.S.A. Meeting at Longframlington Village Inn at 7pm.

Monday 20th June - Sports day 1pm start - weather permitting.

Tuesday 21st & 22nd June Year 3 at the Alnwick Playhouse for dance performance.

Thursday 23rd June - Year 3 & 4 trip to Lifepath at Brinkburn Priory.

Tuesday 28th June - Year 3 & 4 perform at Alnwick Gardens for music festival.

Thursday 30th June - Reception, Year 1 & 2 perform singing at The Sage.

Thursday 30th June - Year 4 transition to Dr Thomlinson Middle School.

Friday 1st July - Year 4 transition to Dr Thomlinson Middle School.

Friday 1st July - Whole school sand sculpture workshop at Sandhaven, South Shields.

Thursday 7th July - End of year reports given out.

Friday 15th July - Leaver's disco at 6-7:30pm.

Monday 18th July - Leaver's Assembly 1pm.

Tuesday 19th July - Children break up for summer.

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