



Swallowfield Lower School

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Message from the Head Teacher–

We have a busy few weeks ahead of us with Mother's Day assemblies to prepare for, year group trips and preparation for our annual year four PGL residential trip.

Therefore, to ensure we can make contact with families please update the school office with any new mobile numbers or email addresses as soon as possible.

Values Education



This month's value is Love. Love sustains human relationships with dignity and depth. We will learn why it is important to love and care about people, and how to show "Love".

Heart FM Road safety competition

Thank you all for sending in your Competition Posters. We can see you have all worked very hard, and have produced some excellent entries! We have the chance to win £500 for the school and we hope that we have the winner within our school. Watch this space!



Polite notice

NO requests will be agreed for a child to miss a PE session or to stay in at break times.

If a child is well enough to be in school, then they will be expected to participate fully in all aspects of the curriculum. In addition, we do not have staff available to supervise individual children at such times.

Attendance

If you are going to be late, or your child is absent from school, please call the office by no later than **9.15am**. We can then ensure the class teacher is aware and school lunches are ordered on time.

We have also started issuing a notification of late arrivals via Groupcall. These will be sent to children arriving after **8.55am**. Parent/carers will receive a text from Groupcall, and an email relating to this.



We have started collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. See posters around the school for more information.

These provide additional equipment for the school. Please help us collect these, and pass the message on to friends and family. The more we get the better!



Dates for your diary

February

10 th	Maths Competition
13 th	Half Term
20 th	Spring Term begins
22 nd	Year Two assessment meetings
24 th	Year 3 coffee afternoon at 2.30pm

March

2 nd	World Book Day
23 rd	Year 4 Mother's Day assembly AM Year 2 Mother's day assembly PM
24 th	Year 1 Mother's day assembly AM Foundation Mother's day assembly PM
27 th	Year 3 Mother's Day assembly PM

Reminders

School Uniform

Please ensure all uniform is clearly marked with your child's name. As winter is here please can we ask that all coats, hats, scarves and gloves are named too. Thank you.

Break-time Snacks

Snacks at break time should be fruit only.

School Dinners

If you are able to, please pay for hot school dinners via Hobbs website.

www.hobbsschoolcatering.co.uk

Mother's Day Assemblies

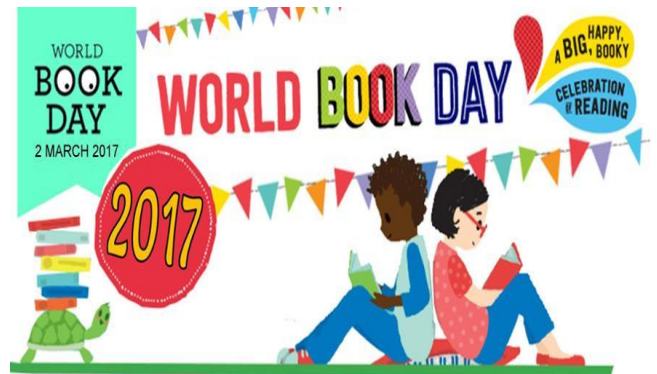
Please note the times of these will be confirmed at a later date.

"Turning over a new leaf"

"Our hopes for our future, our hopes for the world."

As part of national activities, in December every child wrote their "hopes" onto paper leaves, and our January value of hope inspired us to display these within the school.

Some were placed outside on one of our trees. The hopes were intended to gradually be blown into the wind to be "shared" and gradually biodegrade. The children wrote some great thoughts.



This year World Book Day falls on Thursday 2nd March 2017. On this day we will be planning all sorts of book related activities across the whole school and all children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. It would be lovely if the children could bring a copy of the book that features their character to school to share with their friends and teachers.



Sports Award

We are pleased to announce that we have been awarded the Gold Award by the School Games initiative for the second year. This is due to the amount of clubs, competitions and activities we offer the children.

Health in
Education
Award



Healthy School

We have succeeded in maintaining this status until summer 2018!

Staff Vancancy

We urgently require mid-day Supervisors to help at lunchtime. Hours required are 11.45am until 1.15pm. Ideally Monday-Friday, but any days to suit will be considered. For more information please contact the school office on 01908 582101

House News –

There are lots of house points to be earned for this half term, keep up the hard work!

Robins



Total 625

Woodpeckers



Total 655

Goldfinches



Total 677

Kingfishers



Total 581