



SWALECLIFFE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

Week Beginning: 10.11.25

This Week's Dates for your Diary

- 10.11** Open Morning for 2026 Year R families
- 11.11** Parent Consultations
- 12.11** Positive Noticing Day
2G & 1M Forest School
- 13.11** Parent Consultations
- 14.11** 3H Swimming
Odd Sock Day



Term 2 Dates for your Diary

- 24.11** Year 5 Spooky Story Day
- 26.11** Year 6 World War Two Day
- 27.11** Christmas Shopping
- 28.11** Christmas Shopping
- 02.12** Year R Nativity Performance
- 03.12** Year R Nativity Performance
- 04.12** Year 1 Magic & Mystery Day
- 07.12** Festive Fair
- 10.12** Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner
- 18.12** Class Christmas Parties



P.E Days - Reminder

- Yr R Thurs
- Yr 1 Tues & Wed
- Yr 2 Mon & Fri
- Yr 3 Wed & Fri
- Yr 4 Thurs & Fri
- Yr 5 Mon & Thurs
- Yr 6 Mon & Wed

Term Dates

- Term 2 27th October - 19th December
- Term 3 6th January - 13th February
- Term 4 23rd February - 2nd April
- Term 5 20th April - 22nd May
- Term 6 1st June - 17th July



POSITIVE NOTICING DAY 2025



It's going to be a busy week at Swalecliffe!

Anti-Bullying Week (more about this below), Remembrance Day assemblies, Positive Noticing Day and parents evenings.

We even have a very special, French speaking visitor coming on Monday 10th November - the French Mayor of Dainville, Madame Françoise ROSSIGNOL.

Whitstable is twinned with Dainville and we have a long link with the local primary school l'Ecole Daudet. Our Languages Subject Champions will be touring her around our school.

I have written to families about Positive Noticing Day so if you haven't seen this yet, check this out. It was sent out on Wednesday.

Positive Noticing is our whole school approach but on Wednesday 12th November we will be celebrating even more! So that our families can get involved, we will be sending a label home with the children on 12.11.25 so that you can also write a positive message to share in class the next day. To find out more, go to:

<https://www.positivenoticingday.com/homeadults>



Thank you for your support,
Miss Garton
(Acting Head of School)

NEWS ALERT

Check out our OPAL Play Update on our school Facebook!



Swalecliffe Community Primary School

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Anti-Bullying Week 10th - 14th November 2024: 'Power for Good'

This week ahead is Anti-Bullying Week 2025, with the theme 'Power for Good'. Through the week, each class will be talking (in an age-appropriate way) about the impact of using our 'Power for Good'.

As part of Anti-Bullying Week, the children can take part in 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday 10th November or Friday 14th November. The message of Odd Socks Day is a message of individuality, acceptance and tolerance. Most importantly, Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun and it is an opportunity to encourage our school community to celebrate our uniqueness, through our odd sock choices, whilst also showing that we are in it together, by all wearing odd socks!

For anyone to take part, all they have to do is wear odd socks to school! This is not a fundraiser and no payment is expected or required.

To find out more, [click here](#).

Many thanks,
Ms Hill

Wellbeing and Mental Health Lead





PARENT FRIENDS ASSOCIATION EVENTS

Christmas Shopping - Thursday 27th & Friday 28th November 2025

We're excited that our much-loved Christmas Shopping event for the children will be happening again this year! It will take place during school hours on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th November, and it's always a festive highlight.

Here's how it works:

Children visit our special Christmas Shop and choose small gifts for family, friends (and even pets!). We wrap them up and send them home ready for the big day.

Gifts cost £2.75 each, and children can pick 1 to 10 gifts.

Categories include: adult male, adult female, child, baby, dog, and cat.

To take part, please visit <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/swalecliffe/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=107359> by **Wednesday 26th November** to choose and pay for gifts.

A few extra notes:

For siblings, our preference is gifts are divided between them at the online ordering phase to accommodate for the class shopping schedule. If this is not possible or you have any other queries please email us: swalecliffepfa@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk

Gift labels will be sent home at the start of shopping week to populate with recipients names to help the children with their shopping. Please fill them in and send them back with a bag for the gifts on the shopping days. It is helpful if our younger children have a list which include ages of the person being bought for.

Can you help us wrap?

We need 18 volunteers per session (Thursday morning & afternoon, Friday morning).

It's a lovely way to get involved - email us if you or someone you know can lend a hand at swalecliffepfa@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk

Thank you for helping make this magical event happen!





PARENT FRIENDS ASSOCIATION EVENTS CONTINUED


Festive Fun - Sunday 7th September 2025

We're getting into the holiday spirit and hope you will join us for an afternoon of Festive Fun at school on Sunday 7th December from 12 to 3pm! Bring your family and friends - there's something for everyone!

Here's a sneak peek at what's in store:

 Visit Father Christmas

Book a slot to meet Santa and receive a special gift! Pre-book [here](#).

 Get active in our 'Games Hall'!

Enjoy festive sports with Mini Athletics, fun stalls and competitions, and our ever-popular inflatable snow globe!

 Relax in our 'Refreshments Hall'

Grab a hot drink or tasty treat, listen to carols from our school choir, and get creative with festive arts and crafts.

 Plus lots more seasonal surprises!

Can you help us make the magic happen?

We're looking for 1-2 adult volunteers per class to help run activities. Slots are:

10:30-12:00 (set up)

12:00-1:30


1:30-3:00


3:00-4:00 (tidy-up crew!)


Email us at: swalecliffepfa@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk

Prize Donations Needed!

We will be collecting items the week before the event - more info to follow about these donations but here is what we are asking each year group to bring:

Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 - Chocolate treats for the tombola 

Year 3, 4 & 5 - A bottle of booze 

Year 6 - Mince pies, shortbread or chocolate logs 

We are happy to take any other new prize donations or ideas you have for this event too!

Thank you for your support - we can't wait to celebrate with you !

Canterbury SEND Roadshow

Special Educational Needs and/or
Disabilities Information, Advice and
Guidance Event

Calling all Canterbury families
whose child or young person has or may have special
educational needs and/or disabilities. Do you want to meet
with services that are available in your area? Our SEND
roadshow is a place to do just that. We will have a wide
range of services in attendance suitable for ages 0 - 25
and their families. No need to book just come along
anytime between 9:30am and 11:30am, refreshments will
be available.

What families have said about the SEND Roadshows-

"I have more information to support my child's
learning"

"all the information I needed in one place"

"what I've been looking for"

Whitstable Family Hub,
Tower Parade,
Whitstable,
CT5 2BJ

9th December 2025

9:30am

11:30am



EMAILS SENT OUT THIS WEEK

Positive Noticing Day - Whole School
Riverside Christmas Project - Whole School
PFA Uniform Sale - Whole School
Herne Bay Hockey Club - Yrs 3-6

CONTACT INFORMATION

Should you need to contact the school, you can do so by emailing
office@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk or using the link on our website:
swalecliffeprimary.org/contact-details/

If you wish to contact a teacher then use the office@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk and
write in the subject line who you wish it to go to e.g. FAO - Miss....

To report an absence please email absence@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk, giving your
child's name and class and reason for absence.

If you need to contact a DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead), you can do so
directly using the following email-

DSL@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk

Executive Headteacher: Mr Ben Cooper

Head of School (Acting): Miss Leah Garton

Deputy Head (Acting): Mrs Kate Roy

Inclusion Lead & Lead DSL (Acting): Mrs Julie Deeks

Wellbeing Lead: Ms Carrie Hill

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USEFUL LINKS ON OUR WEBSITE



**Swalecliffe Community
Primary School**

<https://www.swalecliffeprimary.org/topic/parents>

Homework Guide: [Swalecliffe Community Primary School - Homework](#)