



SWALECLIFFE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter Week Beginning: 09.03.26

This Week's Dates for your Diary

- 09.03** British Science Week
- 10.03** Parents Evening
- 11.03** 1KG & RG Forest School
- 12.03** PFA Mother's Day Event
Year 1 Church Visit
Parents Evening
- 13.03** PFA Mother's Day Event
2H Swimming



Term 4 Dates for your Diary

- 16.03** Yr 6 Down House Trip 1
- 20.03** Red Nose Day
- 24.03** Yr 6 Down House Trip 2
- 01.04 - 02.04** Yr R Vision & Hearing
Screenings
- 30.03** Year 2 Knights & Castles Day



P.E Days - Reminder

- Yr R Thurs
- Yr 1 Tues & Wed
- Yr 2 Mon & Fri
- Yr 3 Tues & Fri - **note change for Term 4**
- Yr 4 Thurs & Fri
- Yr 5 Mon & Thurs
- Yr 6 Mon & Wed

Term Dates

- Term 4 23rd February - 2nd April
- Term 5 20th April - 22nd May
- Term 6 1st June - 17th July



MESSAGE FROM MR COOPER

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to all to let you know that Sarah Watson has made the difficult decision to retire from her role as Head of School at Swalecliffe due to ill health. Mrs Watson has been first deputy and then Head of School for the last 10 years.

Mrs Watson has devoted the last 35 years of her life to primary education, and the children that she has worked with. The depth of knowledge and expertise that she has is quite remarkable. Particularly in anything to do with children's literature, the curriculum, safeguarding or the early years, but so much wider than that too.

Mrs Watson will therefore be missed professionally, but much more she will be missed personally. I know Mrs Watson has been somebody that so many of you have been to when things are difficult or you need help.

For the staff here, she has always proved to be a wise person to ask for advice and a wonderful colleague. I would also happily say that often my best ideas have probably been Mrs Watson's!

We will make sure that we hold an appropriate send-off with all the usual celebrations that you would expect at some point in the summer.

But for now, I simply wanted to make sure that I updated you all with the news and reassured you that in leadership terms our arrangements for this year remain exactly the same for the remainder of the academic year with Miss Garton as acting Head of School and Mrs Roy as acting Deputy Head.

Finally, I think that all of us would agree that Mrs Watson thoroughly deserves a happy retirement, and the chance to spend time enjoying herself outside of the demands of what is a very challenging profession, especially in her role as Head of School.

We will all miss her so much,
Mr Cooper



CELEBRATING WORLD BOOK DAY

Thank you for helping make World Book Day such a wonderful celebration. The children looked fantastic in their costumes and clearly put a lot of thought and creativity into them. It was lovely to see so many different aspects of reading come to life!

Throughout the day, the children enjoyed a range of creative activities inspired by books. The English Team also purchased each class a class library bear whom the children designed a reading-themed T-shirt. English Subject Champions will now choose a winner from each class. Our children showed great imagination, enthusiasm, and a real love for reading.

We really appreciate your support in helping make the day so special for the children. Thank you again!

Best wishes,
Miss Garton and Mrs Montgomery



YEAR 2 CRICKET COMPETITION

Some children from Year 2 went to Herne Bay High on Wednesday afternoon, with Mr Cooper and Mrs Hunt to take part in a Rapid Fire Cricket Competition. There was a lot of running and team work involved, and the rules were quite complicated, but the children worked really well as a team and adapted well.

When the group stage finished, we found out that we had won our group of 5 schools and winner went through to the semi-finals. In a close game, Swalecliffe lost by 2 runs. We then played the third/fourth place and won and so we came third overall. They were very proud of their bronze medals, but most importantly their confidence really grew, their cricket skills improved and they had a great time!!! Well done all!



Don't forget to follow our facebook page for updates and photos from the school

ATTENDANCE

For the week beginning 2nd March House Winners were:



Puffins with 94.47%

The class winners were ...

1KG with 98.81%

EMAILS SENT OUT THIS WEEK



2P Class Update

4P Class Update

PFA Mother's Day Event - Whole School

Yr 2 Knights and Castle Day

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.

For SEN matters please email sen@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk

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

DSL@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk

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