



# SWALECLIFFE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

Week Beginning: **11.05.26**

### This Week's Dates for your Diary

**11.05 - 15.05** Key Stage Two SATs  
**15.05** 2P Swimming  
**18.05** Whitstable Carnival Workshop -  
4H



### Term 5 Dates for your Diary

**Week Beginning 18.05** Year 5 CATs  
**20.05** Numeracy Day (dress up)  
**22.05** Last day of term



### 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 & Tues (note change for Term 5)  
Yr 6 Mon & Wed

### Term Dates

Term 5 20<sup>th</sup> April - 22<sup>nd</sup> May  
Term 6 1<sup>st</sup> June - 17<sup>th</sup> July  
Term 1 3<sup>rd</sup> September - 23<sup>rd</sup> October  
Term 2 2<sup>nd</sup> November - 18<sup>th</sup> December



## YEAR 6 - KEY STAGE TWO SATS

Next week, our Year 6 children will be taking their Key Stage Two. More than anything, this marks a huge moment in their readiness for transition to secondary school and nearing their time to move on from Swalecliffe (though we know it will always be in their hearts of course).

To our wonderful Year 6 pupils,

As SATs week begins, I want to take a moment to say how incredibly proud we are of each and every one of you. Over the years, you have worked hard, shown determination, and grown in confidence, resilience and independence.

Remember, SATs are simply an opportunity to show some of the things you have learned. They do not define who you are. Your kindness, creativity, humour, teamwork and individuality are more important and valued every single day in our school.

This week try your best, believe in yourselves and approach each day with a positive attitude. We already know how capable you are.

Myself, your teachers, TAs and families are all behind you, cheering you on but you are much more than SATs. You are unique and brilliant!

Good luck, Year 6 – you are ready for this, and we could not be prouder of you.

Year 6 parents, a reminder that the children can arrive between 8.20 and 8.30 to have their SATs week breakfast funded by our PFA. I will be at the junior hall door to greet the children. They may, of course, come in as normal through the gate at 8.40. However, this 'special' start, just for them, does hold its own memories so even if they don't want to eat breakfast at school they are more than welcome to arrive at 8.20.

Thank you,  
Miss Garton  
(Head of School)

# CELEBRATIONS

## Year 4 Life Skills - Marathon Challenge

Year 4 have successfully completed their 26 mile 'class marathon a day' and should have brought their certificates home. Their training paid off and all managed to run a fraction of the marathon miles needed each day. Thank you to all the parents, friends and family members who have supported the children in this Life Skills Challenge. If you haven't done so already, please could you submit sponsor money and donations through Arbor. The channel will be open until 15th May. We will let you know our totals and the charities that the children have nominated after this date.



## World Book Day Class Library Bear Competition Winners Workshop

The 'winners workshop' has now taken place and the class library bears' t-shirts have been decorated.

Some of our Year 6 English Subject Champions were on hand to support.



## OPAL PLAY BINGO

We will holding another OPAL Bingo collection this term as there are still many bits and bobs that we need, also some equipment is so well-loved that it needs continuous renewing. Here is the grid for the collection on Monday 18th May please. Check out the school Facebook for OPAL updates of the children enjoying their playtimes.

Get ready to play... OPAL BINGO				
<b>crates</b> 	<b>funnels and tubes</b> 	<b>bungee cords</b> 	<b>cable spools</b> 	<b>tarpaulin</b> 
<b>large clips</b> 	<b>suitcases</b> 	<b>wooden cooking spoons</b> 	<b>scarves hats and shirts for dress up</b> 	<b>bags of soil</b> 
<b>old bicycle wheels</b> 	<b>children's buggies or strollers</b> 	<b>plastic sledges</b> 	<b>ribbon or scraps of material</b> 	<b>Anything weird and wonderful that needs a new home!</b> 

## NATIONAL NUMERACY DAY

**Wednesday 20th May** is National Numeracy Day!

We invite the children to come to school wearing something number-themed. For example, this could be a top/ t-shirt that is made by themselves with a number/s on it or something that already has a number on it.

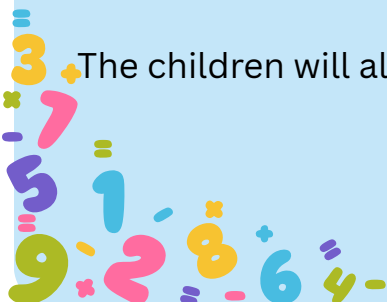
On the day, there will be a competition to design their ultimate Timetable Rockstar character, with a winner per year group, chosen by the Maths Subject Champions.

The children will also be celebrating with maths fluency challenges during the day.

We can't wait for some fluency fun!

Thanks for your support,

Mrs McLean  
(Maths Team)



## ONLINE SAFETY - HAVE YOUR SAY ON CHILDREN'S ONLINE SAFETY

The Government's 'Growing up in the Online World' consultation closes on 26 May 2026.

It asks parents about a possible minimum age for social media; the digital age of consent and how AI chatbots should be regulated. Ministers have powers to act on the findings quickly, so what parents say matters.

The parent questionnaire takes 10–15 minutes – you don't need to answer every question.

Take part by clicking [here](#) and then search 'Growing up in the online world'.



Mr Nogueira  
(Computing Lead)

## ATTENDANCE

For the week beginning 4th May...

House Winners were:



Gulls with 94.55 %

The class winners were:

4G with 100 %

## EMAILS SENT OUT THIS WEEK



Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

Year 4 Whitstable Carnival

4P Teacher update - 4P only

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Should you need to contact the school, you can do so by emailing [office@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk) or using the link on our website:

[swalecliffeprimary.org/contact-details/](https://swalecliffeprimary.org/contact-details/)

If you wish to contact a teacher then use the [office@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:sen@swalecliffe.kent.sch.uk)

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

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