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Updated Information

If you haven't already—could you please make sure that you have filled in the online form that was sent last week requesting up to date information for the children—if you need the link resending please contact the office.

Link— <https://forms.office.com/e/82pGeCBkxk>

Parking Near to School

If you need to park near school, please be considerate of our neighbour's by not blocking access to local streets and residents driveways.

Clubs

Information regarding clubs has already been sent out—you will be sent your child's clubs early next week.



Harvest Festival

Should you wish to support our Harvest 2024 collection then please read below for further information from Swindon Food Collective

HARVEST DONATIONS 2024

WHAT WE DON'T NEED:

We do not need pasta, cereals and shower gel.

WHAT WE DO NEED:

Regular sized Tins, Jars, Bottles, Cartons or Packets of the following:

" Potatoes; Meat; Fish; Tomatoes; Soup; Vegetables; Fruit; Puddings; Pasta Sauce; Cereals; Small Jars of Coffee; Tea (40 bags); Small Bags of Sugar (500g); Biscuits; 1L Bottles of Squash; Washing Up Liquid; Toothpaste; Laundry Pods; 2 in 1 Shampoo & Conditioner; Male and Female Deodorants"



Attendance this week

Class	Attendance
Pine Class	100%
Willow Class	100%
Silver Birch Class	100%
Sycamore Class	97.8%



Message from Mr Conlan

Dear South Marston Families,

We've had a bustling and exciting few weeks at school! It's been wonderful to see everyone at the gate each morning—please feel free to stop and chat with me anytime. Thank you for your punctuality and organisation; our school attendance is currently at an impressive 99.2%. Just a reminder, the Council and Ofsted do monitor school attendance to ensure compliance with guidelines. Please note, any fines or penalties related to attendance are decided by the Council, not the school. Schools DO NOT benefit/receive any money for fines.

While Mrs Hendry is away, I want to reassure you that the leadership and management of the school remain stable. I will continue to oversee the day-to-day operations with the support of our Trust.

In our recent assemblies, we've been focusing on the value of 'Generosity.' The children have been learning about charity, kindness, and the importance of generous actions. They've also enjoyed our weekly singing assemblies. Please be sure to look at the upcoming dates in this newsletter as there are important upcoming events.

For those registered as Pupil Premium, these funds greatly support our school. Pupil Premium pupils may also receive assistance with school trips, uniform, swimming, and meals. If you require more information about this or think your children may be eligible, please get in touch.

On our website you will find our 'School Development Plan'. You'll find a concise, 1-page summary of our priorities and goals for the coming months. We've also made several updates and added new pages, so be sure to check it out!

We are hosting two tours for prospective parents, including those from outside the village and pre-school. Please see the attached poster for details. If you know any families searching for school places, please share these tour dates with them.

As always, feel free to contact the school or me directly if you have any questions or messages.

Kind Regards,

Mr Mason Conlan
Assistant Head Teacher

Safeguarding when school is closed

The information below is from Swindon' Connect (formerly MASH) which may be of used when school is closed. Please note that school staff will have their 'out of office' notifications on and may not see messages that are urgent in this way. Please contact Swindon Connect (formerly MASH) if you are concerned about a child. If you think that a child is in immediate danger, please ring 999 and speak to the police. If are concerned about a child or young person: E-mail: contactswindon@swindon.gov.uk

Telephone: 01793 464646 (during normal office hours which are 8.30am to 4.40pm Monday to Thursday,

Dates for your diary

Friday 27th September and Tuesday 16th October

New Parents Tours—Contact eh office to book in

Monday 23rd September

Euro Day—more information to follow

Tuesday 24th September

Individual School Photos

Wednesday 25th September

Swimming for Sycamore Class begins—any problems making payment please contact the office

Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd October

Parents Evening—more information to follow shortly

Wednesday 16th October

Reception and Year 6 Nurse Screening—more information to follow

Wednesday 23rd October

Non-school uniform day—raising money for music equipment

Wednesday 9 October

Harvest Festival—donations being collected 7-9 October, see above—9.15am Service in Church

Wednesday 23rd October 2024

Last Day of Term—Normal finish time

Monday 4th November

Inset Day

Tuesday 5th November

Back to School

Thursday 7th November

Flu Vaccinations—more information to follow

Thursday 21st November

Animal Care Talk by the Blue Cross



School Tours



Looking for a Pre-School or Primary School place?

Book a tour to see our lovely, welcoming school in action!

Call: [01793 823379](tel:01793823379)

or

email: admin@southmarstonprimary.co.uk

CURRENT TOUR DATES:

27TH SEPTEMBER @ 11AM

16TH OCTOBER @ 2PM

We are located in Swindon, two minutes from Painsbury's Stratton.