



Swimbridge CE Primary School

Inspire, Enable and Educate for 'Life in all its Fullness'.



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Swimbridge News

The Week Ahead

(Mon 13th to Fri 17th Jan)

Mon:

Tue:

Flutes & Guitars

Wed:

Thurs:

PTFA Bags2School collection from 9.00am

Fri:

PTFA meeting from 8.45am in the Community Room

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2020. We hope that you all had an enjoyable festive break. Many thanks to all the children and parents who very kindly gave Christmas wishes, cards and gifts to the staff, your tokens of thanks are greatly appreciated.

It was wonderful to see the children so keen to learn as they arrived back this week, ready to embark on this term's theme of 'Time Travellers'. Each child will shortly be bringing home a Parent Curriculum Sheet, with an overview of the areas each class will be covering this term. These will be available on our school website.

As part of this topic, the Inventors are travelling back in time to WW1 and WW2, both as whole world events and in a local area context. We are hoping for some local input from anyone in the community who would like to share their experiences with the children. Personal stories, artefacts or photos from either war, possibly with some visits if anyone is available. Our first themes are evacuation, diaries, soldiers, trenches and remembrance, so if you are able to help in any way, please pop into the school office. The Adventurers and Discoverers are focusing on London and historical events that took place, with the Explorers travelling back to Roman times.

Thank you to all those who took part in our Christmas jumper day last term. We have raised £69 so far from this event, for our Action Aid child Mamadou, so if your child took part, but has not yet donated, there is still time to drop your £1 into the school office.

For the first time since 1995, the May Day Bank Holiday has been moved from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May, to commemorate the 75th anniversary of VE Day - please note this date change. Our school Term Dates and School Parent Calendar have been updated on the website for your information.

Just a reminder that Mrs Bull has a small stock of logoed school uniform available to purchase from the school office, along with book-bags and PE bags. If you would like to order uniform online and get it delivered to school, please follow this link to the School Threads homepage: <https://schoolthreads.org/>. Please ensure your child has the correct school uniform and full PE kit in school every day. At this time of year it is also vital that every child has an appropriately warm, waterproof coat with sleeves.

Our lunch time and after school sporting clubs are starting next week. If your child would like to take part in the after school hockey club, there is still time to sign your child up via the school office, however, they will need a mouth guard and shin pads, so please ensure your child has this equipment each week.

Congratulations to all stamp card and Behaviour for Learning award this week.

Stamp Cards ~ Izaac,
 Behaviour for Learning Rosie, Hollie, Jack B, Lochlann, Zara, Theo, Jacob

Upcoming School Dates for your Diary

- Tue 14th Jan, Yr. R & 6 photos
- Thurs 16th Jan, PTFA Bags2School collection
- Fri 17th Jan, PTFA meeting 8.45am
- Mon 20th Jan, Mr Godwin from SMCC visiting Yr. 6
- Tues 21st Jan, Maths open morning for parents (details to follow)
- Tues 21st Jan, Yr. R & 6 medical checks
- Fri 7th Feb, PTFA Spring Disco
- Tue 11th Feb, whole school Online Safety Day

Our school vision is to embrace the spiritual, physical, intellectual, emotional and social development of all. We strive for educational excellence by supporting and developing the following values:

Wisdom

Hope

Community

Dignity

Love

This Week's Home Learning

Adventurers: *Daily reading please. Home learning will start next week.*

Discoverers: *Daily reading, daily spelling and maths task please.*

Explorers: *Daily reading please. Home learning will start next week.*

Inventors: *Daily reading, maths booklets and topic extras please.*

PTFA News Page

PTFA

Don't forget, our Bags2School drop off date is next Thursday (16th). Please ensure all bags are on the school site no later than 9am. Thanks.

Also, we are looking forward to seeing lots of new faces at our first PTFA meeting of 2020. Please pop along with your fundraising and event ideas.

The PTFA would welcome any unwanted Christmas gifts so that we can recycle them for future fundraising events. If you have any (new) items you would like to find a new home, please drop them into the school office. Many thanks.

Dates for your diary.....

- **Thursday 16th January** - Bags2School collection from 9.00am
- **Friday 17th January** - 8.45am PTFA meeting, all welcome
- **Friday 11th February** - Spring Disco, details to follow

Swimbridge School PTFA with Bags2School Thursday 16th January

