



**Swallowdale
Primary School**

Newsletter November 2019

November has presented us with lots of opportunities to consider our school value of 'Be Respectful'. As a school, we have learnt about Bonfire Night; Remembrance Day; Odd Sock Day; Anti-Bullying Week and Children in Need. I have been impressed with the respect the children have shown to the range of topics and I am proud of the school's efforts.

The children have continued to enjoy their Reading Swap mornings which happen fortnightly on a Friday. Teachers are swapping classes for a short period of time to share with all the children some of their favourite books and authors. The feedback from the children and the adults so far has been very positive; everyone looks forward to reading swap morning! So please do make sure you're asking your child about these mornings!

December will no doubt fly by in a blink of an eye. We are looking forward to welcoming parents to a range of events and activities over the coming weeks.

Mrs Harries

Christmas Tree Festival

This year, we have decided on the theme of 'Music at Christmas' to inspire our decorations for our tree.

If you would like to see our decorated tree, the festival at St Mary's Parish Church begins on Friday 29th November and will remain open until Tuesday 3rd December 2019.



Children in Need

Swallowdale Primary was proud to join in with Children in Need 2019. There were some amazing costumes and outfits to celebrate the day. Thank you to all the people who kindly donated cakes for our Bake Sale. In total, we raised a fantastic **£576.26!**

Thank you to Miss Taylor for all her hard work with organising the day.



Friends of Swallowdale

Thank you to all those who attended the KS1 Film Night. The event raised over £300. As a school, we are very grateful to the efforts of all those involved with SWAF and value their contributions to school. Thank you to Friends of Swallowdale who will be providing oranges for Christingle and crackers for Christmas Dinner day.

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Polite notice from Children's Centre

Please could parents not park in the marked bays outside the Children's Centre as these are for people using the centre. Parents are welcome to park in front of the sports area on the left hand side.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Keeping school up to date!

Please could we ask that you let the office know as soon as possible if your child is not well enough to attend school for the day. Also, if your contact details change at all, please contact the office.

Thank you

Be Safe, Be Prepared, Be Respectful

As you are aware from a previous newsletter, we have been developing our new Behaviour Policy in school. As part of the review, I had the pleasure of talking to groups of children from across the school about their views and ideas. I was extremely impressed with their maturity and depth of understanding that they showed. I wanted to share with you some of their comments, in their very own words:

"We can go to fly high and that gives us more proudness!" Year 2

"We know what 1, 2, 3 are now because it says reflect, time to talk and consequence and not just numbers." Year 3

"Other people can now see the positives." Year 5