Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year! We hope that you all had an enjoyable Christmas break.

Please start the new year off by ensuring that your child comes to school on time and is ready to learn every day.

Year 3 to Year 6 pupils start their day at 08:30. When they come into class, they immediately commence lessons or activities to support learning needs. Therefore, it is vital that they are in school on time. Several Key Stage 2 children were coming into school at 08:45 last term – this is 1 hour and 15 minutes lost learning time over a week and over a 6-week term this is 7 hours and 30 minutes lost learning time. Please ensure they are in school on time every day.

15th January is the deadline for applying for a Reception place for your child to start school in September 2025 – please remember to complete the Swindon Borough Council forms. As you may have seen at the end of last term, we are consulting on our Admissions Policy to change our PAN (planned admission number) from September 2026, decreasing from 60 in Reception to 45. This change will not come into effect until 2026/27. The consultation finishes on 31st January; the policy can be found on the school website – www.cpps.swindon.sch.uk If you have any comments regarding the Admissions Policy for 2026/27 please email Anna Richardson, Head of Governance, on arichardson@bluekitetrust.org

Activities and events for this term are attached and we look forward to seeing you join us

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Mrs J C Andrews Headteacher



Lighthouse events for parents

Tues 14th Jan- 9am Managing Big Feelings at Greenmeadow Primary (SN25 3LW)

Tues 28th Jan- 2pm Managing Screen Time at William Morris (SN25 2PP)

The next 6 week Family Foundations course will start on Friday January 10th from 9-10.45am. Please email GWollen@bluekitetrust.org or BBradley@bluekitetrust.org for more information or to book a space.

21st Swindon Scout Group (covering Covingham, Coleview and Nythe)

Currently have spaces in our Squirrel (4-6) and Beaver (6-8) groups which meet on a Tuesday and Wednesday evening at CPPS. If your child is interested in joining, please complete the form under the East Swindon drop down

here: https://swindonscouts.org.uk/join/

Staffing News

This term we welcome our new SENDCo – Mrs Sarah Muir. Sarah joins us from Seven Fields Primary School. Initially she will be working Monday to Wednesday, but then this will increase to a Friday as well. The SENDCo email address is still the same or call the office to make an appointment.



The Lighthouse Team will be visiting Covingham on <u>16th</u> January, 13th February and 13th March.

Please let us know if you would like an appointment time with one of the team to discuss specifics issues relating to your child.

Lighthouse can help parents by providing advice and support on a range of children's issues such as eating, sleeping, behaviour, anxiety etc. Please remember that these appointments are not with our school SENDCo.



Swindon Safeguarding Partnership

Keep Warm, Stay Safe

As it gets colder, life can become more challenging to stay safe and keep warm.

It may be particularly challenging for example, for those who are very young, older people, those living alone or no support or chronic health conditions.

You may be homeless or a rough sleeper. There is a range of information and resources for residents of Swindon to live in warmer, safer and healthier homes.

Local Information and Resources Swindon Borough Council webpages which provide useful information and resources:

Swindon Borough Council: Help if you're struggling with living costs

Swindon Borough Council > Cost of living: https://www.swindon.gov.uk/costofliving

Worrying about money: https://www.worryingaboutmoney.co.uk/swindon

Live Well Swindon – Speak to Live Well about their cost of living support 01793 465513 or visit their website Live Well Swindon

Swindon Borough Council ➤ Website: Warm and Safe Wiltshire

Swindon Borough Council ≻ Household Support Fund: Household Support Fund

WHEN?	WHO?	WHAT?
08/01/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
08/01/25 – 7pm	All	Friends of School meeting
09/01/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
15/01/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
16/01/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
16/01/25	A.M	Lighthouse parent meetings – please let the office know if you would like an appointment
20/01/25	All	World Religion Day – further details to follow
21/01/25	Yr 4	Educational visit to The Living Rain Forest
22/01/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
23/01/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
27/01/25	Yr 3	Stone Age workshop
29/01/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
30/01/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
03/02/25	Yr 6	Dance Festival – Wyvern Theatre
05/02/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
06/02/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
07/02/25	All	NSPCC Number Day – further information to follow
10/02/25	All	Internet Safety Day
10/02/25	Yr 3	Stone Age workshop
12/02/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
13/02/25	A.M	Lighthouse parent meetings – please let the office know if you would like an appointment
13/02/25	Yr 6	Swimming booster sessions
14/02/25	All	Fos Wear it Pink/Red day - £1 donation – see poster
		End of term
17-21/02/25	All	HALF TERM
24/02/24	All	SCHOOL CLOSED – teacher training day
26/02/24	Yr 3 - Cedar	Swimming
27/02/25	Yr 3 - Birch	Swimming
03/03/25	All	Author Week
04/03/25	All	Maths – stay and play morning – further details to follow
05/03/25	Yr 3 - Cedar	Swimming

06/03/25	All	World Book Day – further details to follow
06/03/25	Yr 3 - Birch	Swimming
10/03/25	All	Science week – further details to follow
11/03/25	KS2	Junior Music Festival – further details to follow
12/03/25	Yr 3 - Cedar	Swimming
13/03/25	A.M	Lighthouse parent meetings – please let the office know if you would like an appointment
13/03/25	Yr 3 - Birch	Yr 3 - Cedar
19/03/25	Yr 3 - Cedar	Swimming
20/03/25	Yr 3 - Birch	Swimming
24-27/03	Yr 4	'Bikeability' – further details to follow
26/03/25	Yr 3 - Cedar	Swimming
27/03/25	Yr 3 - Cedar	Swimming
28/03/25	All	SCHOOL CLOSED – teacher training day
01/04/25 3:30 -	All	Parent's evening
6:45		
02/04/25	Yr 3 - Cedar	Swimming
02/04/25 - pm	Rock Steady pupils	Rock Steady Concerts
03/04/25	Yr 3 - Birch	Swimming
03/04/25 3:30-	All	Parent's evenings
7:00		
04/04/25	All	End of term

Instrumental **music lessons** at school, online or at home.

Piano, Drums, Guitar,

1-1

Swindon Music **Co-operative -**Woodwind, Brass and Strin providing 1-1 instrumental lessons in schools across Swindon and Wiltshire since 1998.

Swindon Co-operative

Our aim is to develop each pupil's musical potential according to their individual needs and aspirations. Quality of teaching is monitored through regular observations of all our teachers.

For more information or to apply please scan the QR code below



Swindon Music Co-operative, Astoria House, 165/166 Victoria Road, Swindon, SNI 3BU 01793 781973 • info@swindonmusiccoop.co.uk • swindonmusiccoop.co.uk

Friends of CPPS invite you to F NK W R D RED R Π

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FINE'S

For a £1 donation, come to school in dress down on Friday 14th February and wear **PINK or RED.**

Will you wear pink nails - red hair - pink dress - red top - pink hairband - red socks?

