

# Swindon Academy Primary News

## Primary Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are at the end of our first term. Thank you for your support in helping us get the school open and stay open for ALL our pupils; thank you for all your support, and for your kind words and appreciation for all the hard work that has gone into it!

We have been tweaking the staggered start and finish times as we go. We are now ready to extend the day for our pupils by squeezing the pick up times closer together. Below are the start and finish times ready for the return in Term 2:

Year	Arrival time	Entrance	Depart	Friday
Nursery 2	8.30 & 12.15	Alton Close	11.30 & 3.15	
Nursery 3	8.35 & 12.20	Alton Close	11.35 & 3.20	
Nursery 4	8.40 & 12.25	Alton Close	11.40 & 3.25	
Reception	8.30am	Alton Close	3.20pm	1.00pm
Year 1	8.30am	Alton Close	3.20pm	12.50pm
Year 2	8.40am	Alton Close	3.30pm	1.00pm
Year 3	8.25am	Heddington Close	3.15pm	12.45pm
Year 4	8.30am	Heddington Close	3.20pm	12.50pm
Year 5	8.30am	Heddington Close	3.25pm	12.55pm
Year 6	8.25am	Heddington Close	3.30pm	1.00pm

Have a great half term, all pupils have a homework task linked to Term 2 Wider Curriculum, keep up the reading, spelling and timetable practice. You will receive an email with a link to our **Meet the Teacher events** happening in the first week back—times on the right. Please remember to join us— all meetings are repeated in the 30 minute slot, this will allow you to attend more than one should your children's teacher times clash. Kind regards,

Mrs Howarth-Barnes

## Future Dates

*Dates for the future, more details will be supplied closer to these events, where needed.*

### MEET THE TEACHER

**YR Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 4-4.30pm**

**Y1 Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov 4-4.30pm**

**Y2 Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Nov 4-4.30pm**

**Y3 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov 4-4.30pm**

**Y4 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov 4-4.30pm**

**Y5 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.30-2pm**

**Y6 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.30-2pm**

Each meeting will be repeated 15 minutes into the meeting time, so you don't miss out



### Lockdown Tech Meetings

Thank you for attending our Lockdown Tech Meetings, over the past few weeks.

Please make sure you have completed the Tech Forms survey and have let us know what access your child has to a device and Wi-Fi at home.

### Year 7 Acceptance Form

All Y6 parents/carers, make sure you have secured your child's place in our amazing Y7 provision for September 2021 <https://www.swindon-academy.org/primary/year-7-place-acceptance-form-for-year-6->

### Uniform



**ALL pupils should be in FULL Swindon Academy logo uniform from the start of Term 2.**

**If you are still experiencing issues with the uniform shop please let your child's teacher know.**

### Attendance

We aim for 96% of pupils to be in each day. Our class winners for attendance last week are:

**1st Denmark - 98.23%**

**2nd France - 98.15%**

**3rd Canada - 97.08%**

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## Reminders for All our School Family

The most recent Government Guidance clearly outlines the following advise to try and stop the spread of the virus:



Please can you respect this when arriving at the school gates. To support families keep their distance we have clearly signed points to wait outside the gate . Each year group has a separate place to line up, this is to avoid the crossing of bubbles and to encourage children and parents/carers to wait in a socially distanced way. Please can you ensure:

- You wait in the correct place, behind the sign at both drop off and pick up
- You wait socially distanced from other families
- You keep to the Rule of 6 and do not gather in large groups– the 6 includes children
- You do not arrive early
- You leave as soon as you have dropped off/picked up your child/ren
- You keep your children with you and do not allow them to run around
- You consider the wearing of a face covering while waiting

Following all this advice will help us keep our school open to **ALL** pupils for as long as possible– we are in this together!

We are not allowing any traffic on to the school site anymore. Therefore it is essential, where possible, you walk to school and avoid driving. If you must drive to school, please ensure:

- You park as far from the school gates as possible
- You watch your speed– **SLOW DOWN**
- You **DO NOT** park on grass verges or the central grass area on Heddington Close
- You **DO NOT** park on pavements



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