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Dear Parents,

Summer Term Assessments

During the Summer Term, summative assessments take place. Children are required to be in school for these assessments and holidays are strongly discouraged and will be unauthorised during a testing period.

Year 1 phonics test will take place week beginning 9th June.

Year 2 assessments in mathematics and reading will take place during the month of May before half-term (see below for more information)

Year 4 multiplication checks week commencing 2nd June.

Year 6 SATS commencing week beginning 12th May.

The results of the tests will be reported to parents along with their end of year report.

Year 2 assessments

In May, Year 2 children will be sitting non-statutory assessment tests as part of our end of term assessments. These assessments are in reading and maths. In the past, these tests (SATS) have been statutory and results of these tests have had to be reported to the government. This year it is no longer a statutory requirement but the assessments will be carried out to show a measure of progress within school as recommended by our Local Authority. This will inform teacher assessments to see if children are working towards the expected year 2 level, working at the expected year 2 level or working at greater depth.

These tests are referred to as "special year 2 jobs" and we try our upmost to avoid any pressure or stress on the children. Children will be familiar with the format through class work. Mrs Morris will begin sending assessment papers home so you can see the format and use them as homework. This will give the children additional practise as well as allowing you to see the types of questions the children will be asked. Please encourage your child to complete this homework. If you have any further queries regarding SATS, please see Mrs Morris.

Uniform

As we come towards the end of the school year, a reminder that new uniform can be ordered from Emblematic and delivered for free to school if you order **before 15th June**. Please see: <http://studentuniform.co.uk/scfs101>

You can also access our secondhand uniform shop using this link:

<https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/swarland-primary-school>

Please see below for a reminder of our school uniform guidelines:





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Red jumpers and cardigans with optional embroidered school logo
Plain white or red shirt or polo shirt (Long or short Sleeved)
Navy shorts or trousers- when shorts are worn, they should also be of an appropriate length (football skins are not appropriate)
Navy or grey pinafores or skirts -please note skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allows sitting comfortably on the floor.
In summer, blue and white or red and white checked dresses are permitted.
Navy, red or white socks or tights.
Plain black shoes - no trainers, boots, fashion shoes or football trainers

Y4 & Y6 Transition Days

In early July the Year 6 and Year 4 children moving onto their next school in September will have the opportunity to attend their new schools to support transition. Please can all parents transport their child to their new school on transition dates. Dates will be communicated as soon as we receive them from the feeder schools. All children remaining at Swarland will spend the day with their new class teachers in July.

Class School Photographs

Halo Photography will be in school on Tuesday 3rd June to take class photographs. Order forms and proofs will be sent to you in due course.

Sports Day

We have provisionally scheduled Tuesday 8th July as this year's Sports Day. This is subject to change dependent on the weather - we will move it to later in that week if the forecast looks poor on the day.

VE Day

On Thursday 8th May, children we will be commemorating the 80th anniversary of VE Day in school. Children are invited to come into school dressed in red, white and blue, union jacks or even period dress to celebrate.

Workshop for parents

The workshop on 'Understanding Children's Behaviour' will take place on Thursday 19th June from 9:15 - 10:30am in school. A number of you have already signed up, but please let us know if you would like to attend.

Regards,
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Dates for Diaries

Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday - school closed
Thursday 8 th May	VE Day 80 th anniversary celebrations
Monday 12 th - Thursday 15 th May	KS2 SATS exams
Friday 23 rd May	Children break-up for half-term
Monday 2 nd June	Children come back to school after the half-term holidays
w/c Monday 2 nd June	Year 4 multiplication checks
Tuesday 3 rd June	School class photographs
w/c Monday 9 th June	Year 1 Phonics screening
Monday 9 th - Thursday 12 th June	Year 5/6 Bikeability
Friday 13 th June	2:45pm sharing learning session
Friday 13 th June	Year 6 DCHS PE transition trip
Thursday 19 th June	Parental workshop for 'Understanding Children's Behaviour'

