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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope you have all had a positive start to the new year and a wonderful Christmas break. I am delighted to welcome all of the children back to school this term.

Health & Safety Covid updates for self-isolation

The 10 day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has been reduced to 7 days in most circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason. Individuals may now take Lateral Flow Device tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period. Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion. If both these test results are negative, and you do not have a high temperature, you may end your self-isolation after the second negative test result and return to your education or childcare setting from day 7. Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Extra-curricular Clubs

This term we have been inundated with requests for all of our extra curricular clubs. This has meant not all children will be able to attend all of the clubs they are interested in this half term. You will receive an email to say if your child has been allocated a place in the after school clubs. For those who are disappointed they did not receive a place we will run the clubs again next half term so others get the opportunity to take part. All of Trident Soccer requests have been accommodated.

Swimming & P.E.

All children in Year 3 to Year 6 will begin swimming on Monday 10th January. Please ensure your child has a towel and swimming kit with them on these days. Voluntary contributions towards swimming are very welcome. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will need their PE kits in school this week.





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Additional Bank Holiday

For the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, England has been allocated an additional bank holiday which falls in the May Half term for school. Schools have been informed that they may allocate an additional holiday date in term time to address this issue. Swarland Primary School will therefore be closed on Friday 27th May.

Dates For Diaries

Thursday 6th January - Professor Brainstorm performs a magical science show for children.

Monday 10th January - KS2 start swimming at Alwick Leisure Centre.

Monday 31st January - telephone parent consultations

Friday 18th February - Children break up for half term.

Regards,

Louise Fletcher
Headteacher

