



# Swan Lane First School Newsletter

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## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 1st October - Open Morning at 9:15am

Wednesday 9th October - Hot Dog & DVD Night

Thursday 17th October - Come Dine with 5AB

Tuesday 22nd October - Parental Consultations

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Wednesday 23rd October - Year 4 trip to Winchcombe

Thursday 24th October - Last Day of Term

Friday 25th October - Teacher Education Day

Monday 4th November - Start of Autumn 2 Term

## PE Success

We are delighted to announce that Swan Lane First School has achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2018/19 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.



We attended 17 different sporting events this year, with a total of 130 young people competing in local inter-school competitions. This included 1 pupil attending the National Cross Country Championships in Leicester. We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

To end the academic year, 355 pupils and 28 staff took part in a round robin sports event to celebrate another fantastic year of school sport! As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year. A special thanks to everyone at Swan Lane First School and the wider community who has helped contribute to our success! We look forward to applying once again in 2020!

Mr Thompson



## Well done!

Well done to all the children at school for settling into their new classes so well. The teachers have been really impressed so far with the hard work the children are putting into their lessons, and are in no doubt this will continue. A special mention for those who have started school for the first time this year, and to those who have



joined us from a different school. Keep it up!

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## Class Blogs

Every class keeps a class blog documenting all of the exciting activities taking place. From tricky problems being solved in Maths lessons to beautiful artwork and creative History lessons. All the goings on from your child's class can be found by visiting our website and clicking on the 'Class Blogs' section.

## Swan Lane represented at Battle of Britain service

Our newly appointed School Council, together with our Head Boy and Girl, Mr Forrester and Mrs Whitehouse, attended the annual commemoration service for those who served in the RAF and lost their lives in the Battle of Britain.

Along with representatives from other schools in the area, members of the forces associations and the Deputy High Lord Lieutenant, our children took part in this solemn service, giving thanks for those airmen who gave their lives for us. The children placed crosses on the graves and noted the ages of some of those who died. Many were only 19 years old.

Our children behaved impeccably and represented our school with great dignity.



## Marvellous Medicine

The focus in literacy in Year 4 has been George's Marvellous Medicine, and we have used it as our inspiration in lots of lessons. One of our topics for Big Writing was writing instructions to create our own marvellous medicines. It was brilliant to see the children so enthused by this topic that they created their own medicines at home to bring in and show us!

*Mr Warren, Mrs Teague & Mrs Smith.*



## School Council, Head Boy & Head Girl

The whole of Swan Lane First School are very proud to introduce the Head Girl, Head Boy and members of the School Council for 2019-2020. As a School Council, the children will be engaging in many aspects of school life and representing us in events outside of school.

*"I think that being Head Girl will be a challenge that will make me rise up and make me a better person." Adele.*

*"I think I will be a good role model for the pupils of the school because I am confident and friendly." Zachary.*

We are confident they will do a brilliant job, good luck!



Head Boy: Zach



Head Girl: Adele