

Sports Day

Our Sports Days were once again a great success (despite KSI being postponed by a few days). It was excellent to see so many parents cheering on the pupils who all gave it their best in their races. This year the children had the extra motivation of winning points for their houses: Wiggins, Ainslie and Redgrave. Among the highlights was a hard-fought girls' long distance race in 4M, with Sophie pushing Angela all the way to the line. The same could be said of the boys' long distance race in 5K, with Alan giving Oliver a run for his money! Overall there was a lovely, encouraging atmosphere. Our thanks must go to Mr Thompson for organising it superbly yet again.

School Council Meets Town Council

Our School Council went on a visit to the Council Chamber at Evesham Town Hall to meet with Town Clerk, Stuart Carter. Stuart greeted us and showed us into the historical Council Chamber, with all its history adorning the walls. Photographs and paintings of the many Mayors of the town showed how the customs and traditions have been upheld throughout time.

Our Councillors were then fitted with ceremonial robes, complete with tricorne hats. Even Mr Forrester and Mrs Whitehouse had cloaks and hats too.

Then we elected a mayor, deputy mayor and town clerk followed by a tailor-made debate, just for our special council. We looked at three proposals for expenditure within Evesham town and had to debate the merits of each before casting a vote. The debate became quite heated, as members put forward opinions and sensible reasoning.

We would like to thank Town Clerk, Stuart for his time and for showing us how the wheels of democracy work at a local level.



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Dates for your diary

Monday 3rd September - Teacher Education Day

Thursday 20th July - End of term for pupils

Tuesday 4th September - First Day of Autumn term for pupils

Friday 21st July - Teacher Education Day

Notices

This week marks the end of another memorable, successful and productive school year. We would like to thank all pupils for their hard work, parents and carers for their continued support, and our staff and governors for their tireless efforts to keep the standards in our school so high. We would like to wish anyone leaving us this year the very best of luck in the future - we have wonderful memories of your time here at Swan Lane and hope you have some to treasure as well. Have a wonderful summer, and we will see you in September!

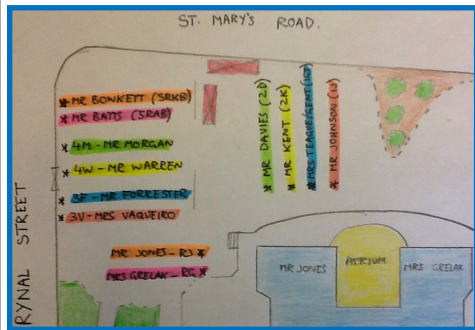
Attendance Award

The following pupils have achieved something very special by not having a single day off school this academic year. This is a tremendous accomplishment and we would like to thank and congratulate them all:

Elif Aptula	Olivia Dolphin	Millie Hall	James Rees	Thomas Wharrad (3 years)
Lucie Buttle	Kezia Edwards (2 years)	Harrison Keen	Robert Rees (2 years)	Layla Wood (2 years)
Xin Yao Chen		Julia Lewandowska	Emilia Toney	Kajetan Wrzyszc
Alan Cieplewski	Sophia Elaaoudi	Leo Lifford	Lily Vaqueiro	
Daisy Curtis	James Flavell	Maria Nogala	Madison Webb	
Ivan Dinkov	Jack Geden	Bethan Rees	Phoebe Webb	
	Martha Green			

First Day of Term in September

Some parents requested that arrangements for the first day of term were made clearer using a map of the playground. The following image shows you where your child's class teacher will be on the first day of term. Just go over and find them and join the line! A larger version is available in the 'Information' section of our website.



Dragon Days

Year 5 were the stars of the show on Wednesday 12th July, as they performed their end of year production to the school and to a delighted set of parents who came in the evening. The story was one of a monstrous dragon who terrified an alpine village, paying him in food to stave off his advances. The terrified villagers, however, did learn a valuable lesson in why they should not always judge a book by its cover. It really was a special occasion seeing the culmination of Year 5's hard work. This group of children are so full of talent and

dedication, their success was never in doubt. It is obvious we have some budding actors, singers and comedians among our leavers this year! Congratulations must go to all involved.



Year Two Performance

On Monday evening, the parents and carers of our year two children enjoyed a real treat as the children performed 'A Tale as Old as Time'. The story was retold through acting, song and dance as the yarn gained pace, through to its dramatic ending. Mr. Importante helped create atmosphere with his saxophone solo. We can all feel proud to have seen how talent at Swan Lane First School has been nurtured to interweave such a delightful tale.



Round Robin Sports Day



Our annual Round Robin Sports Day was slightly different this year, as we had the House Cup. Points have been given for Year 5s running the show! Mr Thompson put together a team of helpers who explained their activities to each group.



Everyone commented on how well they took on this responsibility and it was a brilliant atmosphere all round. It really is one of the

highlights of the school calendar to see every year group working together in their respective teams. This year, the Ants prevailed with a record points haul, and received their gold medals in assembly afterwards. Well done everyone!

House Cup

Our three houses, Ainslie, Wiggins and Redgrave have been competing all year to gain enough points to win the inaugural House Cup. Points have been given for sporting achievement, showing sportsmanship, problem solving and teamwork all year. It has been too close to call for most of the year, with each house within a few points of each other going in to the last week. It was eventually Sports Day that settled it, with Wiggins coming out on top. The House Cup will sit in the library all year with red ribbons on in order to show off their achievement. You can see our two House Captains proudly displaying the impressive trophy in the photo below.

