



Dear Parent / Carer

Value of the month: Trust

Family Fun Ideas

Our House Scavenger Hunt - Use family phones for picture taking and have a list of crazy things that need to be photographed in a certain amount of time. Ideas can be "dad's oldest pair of socks" or "mum's favourite work shoes." Give each team a staggered list — so not everyone is trying to get the same picture at once— and let the crazy chaos ensue.



Driveway Olympics - Make obstacles and competitions that are team-oriented like piggy-back races, egg toss, cup stacking, three-legged race, water bottle bowling, throwing back and forth the most times without it dropping. Make medals for the winners.



Marshmallow Masterpiece - Teams create structures with mini-marshmallows and toothpicks and then brainstorm fun ways to test the stability of the opposing team's structure. Will it stand under the weight of a wet t-towel or dad's favourite jumper?

The Thankfulness Challenge - Each family member has a partner and everyone has one minute to run around and find a "gift" for the other family member and put it in a gift bag. When the timer goes off, family members return with their "gift" and the receiver of the gift has to take it out, show the family and say thank you and something complimentary to the giver or about the gift. It's fun watching siblings thank each other for dirty socks or a wet towel!

Family Trivia Night - Divide family members into teams of two and ask questions about their partner such as: "What would your partner say is his favourite colour?" "What would your partner say is the messiest part of her room?" Partners must answer the same questions in another room. Bring them together and see how well they know family members. The lowest score makes dinner together!

Team Word Builder - Using a stack of index cards, break the family into teams and give each member the same number of cards (minimum of five). Each person writes a letter of the alphabet on the cards (one per card), and then teams have a certain amount of time to make words from their letters. Use different colour markers for each family member, and you can return the cards, mix up the teams and do it multiple times.

Governors Parent Questionnaire

Have you had your say? Told us what you think? Helped to improve your child's school?

Thank you to the 30 parents who have already completed the survey monkey parent questionnaire for this year. With a school of 327 children, we need your help to increase the response rate.





Southwold Primary & Nursery School

Every year we use parental views to make improvements to our school. Children in years one to six will have already received two report cards providing you with information on your child's achievements and efforts. This would not have happened if you had not asked us through the parent survey. So, please complete it again this year and see what else we can celebrate and improve. We are here to help so if you can't access the survey please call or pop in to the school office and we can get this sorted. We have until the end of term so there is plenty of time and for every completed survey your child receives a house point.

Urgent – please read carefully

It came to our attention this week that a large number of children are accessing social media platforms. Age restrictions for social media platforms are there for a very good reason – to keep our children safe. If your child is accessing these sites, then they are accessing unsuitable material. If you are a parent who needs help to talk this through with your child, then we are here to help.



WHF Science Festival - Swindon

Last week 8 children (Sophie, Kieran, Grace, Michael, Pippa, Dylan, Grace, Thomas) represented Southwold School at the WHF Science Festival in Swindon. The children were faced with a series of science/engineering challenges throughout the day, equipping themselves amazingly - demonstrating all the values we have come to expect from our children. At the end of the day, our children were rewarded for their efforts as winners of the day!

In addition, Gideon in year 3 was rewarded for his efforts in homework; he made an electric car from iPhone and K'nex Parts - well done, an engineer in the making.



Debate Mate Marvels

Well done to our amazing Debating Team!



What a fabulous day they had in Swindon! Our amazing team didn't make the final - but put up 3 very strong debates. Grace won a prize for making a great point in the floor debate. They learnt so much and the team are very excited to use their new skills back at school. More debates are now planned for the coming terms. Thanks to Miss Baird.





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Behaviour and Achievement Award Winners: 5th March 2018

Year Group	Behaviour	Achievement
Year 1	Noah Barnett	Benjamin Fitzmaurice Heath Carpenter
Year 2	Layla Webster Smith Rielly Stewart Olivia Gowik	
Year 3	Bisma Hussain	Archie Tayler George Williams
Year 4	Bogdan Velicu	
Year 5	Ryan Mandizanga Ava Beart	Jessica Seddon Mark Nave
Year 6	Murray Elliott Mason Barnett	Shaun Karim Mimi Scott

12th March

Year Group	Behaviour	Achievement
Year 1	Max Gilmore Darcie Jones	
Year 2	Toby Marsh	Joe Depit Lily McDonald
Year 3	Lucia Alvarez	
Year 4	Lyra Hooton Luke Donald	Alexis-Mae Thompson Joshua Dresca
Year 5	Nyall Parrott Lucy Hine	
Year 6	Poppy Holloway Miss Wrights Whole Class Reilly Ash Charlie Bowler	George Birtles Sean Williams

ATTENDANCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to the following classes for winning the Best Class Attendance trophy.

W/c 5th March – Willow/Cherry 99.6%

W/c 12th March – Willow (100% attendance)

DIARY DATES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

19 th March '18	Year Six Homework Club 3:15 - 4:15pm
26 th March '18	Debate Mate Team to Swindon for TWHF competition
28 th March '18	School closes for children 3:15pm
29 th March '18	Professional development day for school staff – Phonics and writing focus
16 th April '18	School opens for children at 8:45am

A huge thank you to parents/carers that have helped over the last few weeks.

We have had some amazing donations of cakes for tomorrows Easter Fair.

We have had many parents involved with Sport Relief week doing taster sessions with the children and joining in after school with our fun activities.

Thank you also to parents that have supported our Cherry trip to Oxford Story Museum and Year 3 and 4 trip to Gaglebrook School.

Best regards

Mr Alan Derry

On behalf of the Southwold Primary and Nursery School Team

