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Friday Newsletter – 6th November 2026

It has been another busy and exciting week across the school, filled with wonderful learning activities and achievements. We hope you enjoy reading about everything our pupils have been up to!

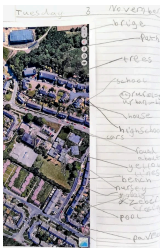
Swallow-ing Up New Adventures!

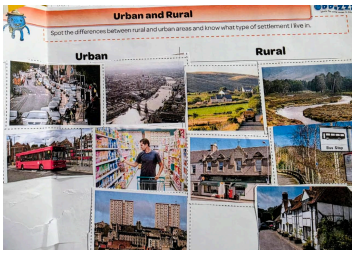
It has been a fantastic first week back in Swallows Class! The children have come back full of energy and ready to learn.

In geography, we launched our new topic on the local area by investigating the difference between **urban** and **rural** environments. The children did a brilliant job comparing bustling towns and cities with countryside landscapes, spotting key features of both.

In maths, we gave **NumBots** a massive push this week! We've introduced some healthy class competition to see who can be the first to reach the higher levels, and the look of sheer celebration on the children's faces as they level up has been absolutely priceless.









Gardening Club

Our wonderful gardening club showed resilience this week as they found out gardening was harder than it looks! They weeded and prepared a huge raised bed which is now ready for planting onions and garlic. The children loved being out in the fresh air surrounded by nature.

If your child would like to join our gardening club we still have spaces available.

Certificate Winners

Good Work
Denny, Skye, Lucas

Behaviour for Learning
Sophia, Prayansh, Ayeza, Fahad

Oracy
Riley, Lacey T, Muhammad

3Rs
Nala, Millie, Emily

Celebration assembly

Thank you to those parents who attended our celebration assembly.



School Photo Day

We would like to sincerely apologise once again for the postponement of this week's school photos, which was very frustrating for everyone. Our new date for photo day is **Monday 9th November**. Please be sure to have your children in school on that day, as both individual and sibling photos will be taken.

Diwali-ghtful Learning and Festive Maths!

This week, the children have been learning about Diwali, the Festival of Light. They created beautiful rangoli patterns using 2D shapes and Numicon, and made their own clay diyas, decorating them with lots of sparkles. Our maths focus has been on numbers 4 and 5. The children have been recognising numerals, matching numbers to quantities and practising subitising (recognising groups of objects without needing to count them individually).As part of our learning around Bonfire Night, the children discussed how to stay safe around bonfires and fireworks, including keeping a safe distance and always listening to a trusted grown up.









The Pebble in My Pocket!

This week we have been exploring a new text about pebbles! Pupils in Year 3&4 have adopted pebbles from a long time ago (before the dinosaurs!)

We thought about how these pebbles were formed, how old these pebbles were, where they had been and what they had seen! The pupils really enjoyed predicting and creating life stories for the pebbles and we cannot wait to see how our new book plays out!



Arbor Pay is here!

We are excited to announce that we have now launched Arbor Pay, a new app designed to transform how you pay for school dinners, trips, and other items. This convenient platform will allow you to make quick, secure payments directly from your smartphone at any time. It will also let you easily track your transaction history and manage accounts for all your children in one place.

Arbor App & Portal

Dates for your diary

Monday 9th November - School Photo Day (Individual and Siblings)
Wednesday 11th November - Y5/6 at Remembrance Day Service, 11am
Friday 13th November - Children in Need Day - Spots and/or stripes Day

Best wishes,

Mr Rose (Headteacher)