



Friday 4th October 2024
Topic – The World We Live In
Value of the Term – Diversity

Dear Parents and Carers,

October has arrived along with the colder weather! At least this week we have had some sunshine and drier days. The children have amazed us once again with their resilience and ability to push on through no matter what to be the best that they can be. A few Autumn bugs going around at the moment and the colder weather will not be helping this so please make sure your child has a warm coat in school for when they are outside learning and playing.

Thank you for your ongoing support, the MacMillan cake sale last week was a great success, raising almost £30 for this super organisation.

Another tricky choice for the teachers this week but these children have been celebrated in assembly today for achieving the certificate of excellence or the values award for their class:



Attendance has been lower across the school this week, but our winners for the second week in a row, with 98% is..... Year 3!

Well done everyone for an amazing week, same again next week!

On Thursday 10th October, it is World Mental Health Day. To celebrate and recognise this day across the school, with the theme of 'Hello Yellow' we would like children to join us in dressing in yellow for the day. They will be learning how to keep their minds and themselves mentally healthy, with our mental health being as important as our physical health.

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We are very excited to announce that we have been successful in winning a bid for a community bike library. With support from British Cycling and Mitchell’s cycles, we have 20 new bikes coming to school including 2 adult sized bikes so the children can all learn how to ride a bike. These bikes will also be able available to be ‘borrowed’ over a weekend or holiday period by families. Look out for more details coming soon.

I am delighted to announce and present to you our new Head Boy and Head Girl along with our new Pupil Leadership Team who are also our House Captains. These children will work alongside the school Senior Leadership Team to drive school improvement.



Wishing you a lovely and safe weekend.
 With best wishes,

Mrs Helen Wollington
 Headteacher

Upcoming diary dates:

Thursday 10th October – World Mental Health Day ‘Hello Yellow’

Monday 14th – Friday 18th October – Year 5 and 6 residential to Home Farm

Wednesday 16th October – Wonderful Wednesday EY 8:40am, Years 1-6 2pm

Thursday 17th October – World Values Day

Monday 21st October – PINS coffee morning

PARTNERSHIPS FOR INCLUSION OF NEURODIVERSITY IN SCHOOLS
 Swindon SEND Families Voice

We are delighted to be working with a group of primary schools as part of the pilot of the new Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project.

As part of the project, we will be running parent sessions in each school from July 24 - Feb 25. As we start the project, we want to understand your experiences of school and we are asking all parents at those schools to complete a short survey online

PARENT SURVEY QR CODE AND LINK:

[HTTPS://WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/T5WVKTL](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T5WVKTL)

Parent Sessions Booked:
 Mountford Manor Primary School - Monday 21st October @ 9.15am-10.15am

Please do come along and meet the Swindon SEND Families Voice team to discuss PINS, complete the survey and give your feedback.



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