



# Selwyn Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you all for your support over the last term – it has been a very busy one. Our children have done exceptionally well and have been working very hard right through until the last day of term.

This term we say good-bye to Ms Sogi, who has been with us since she qualified; Ms Spry, teacher of Hazel Class; and Ms Stephens, part-time teacher in Ash Class. We wish them well in the future and thank them for all their hard work during their time here at Selwyn. We would like to welcome Ms Solly who will be sharing Ash class with Ms Persuad and we welcome back Ms Rajoriya who will be teaching in Willow Class.

As you are aware, safeguarding underpins all we do here at Selwyn. With that in mind, I would like to draw your attention to a game that we are aware of, that some of our children have been playing online - Fortnite. It is free to play - players play against people of different ages from across the world, and can talk and interact with each other as they play through the in-game chat feature. Fortnite has a PEGI rating of 12, due to the 'frequent scenes of mild violence'. This rating only takes into account content in the game itself and not the fact that players are exposed to content put on by strangers.

It's important that, as parents, you involve yourselves in your child's online use by talking to them about their life online. Parents can help children access the amazing resources the internet has to offer whilst keeping them safe online at the same time. I ask you please to closely monitor the use of the computer and games consoles over the Christmas break and to ensure that your children are not playing games with an age restriction as these games are usually very violent or explicit in some way and can expose children to strangers.

Please keep our children safe!

I wish you all a very happy Christmas! I hope you all have a festive Christmas break with your family and friends.

Lisa Bogle  
Head teacher



## Diary Dates

- 7/8 Jan Inset days – staff only Office Closed
- 9 Jan Children return to school
- 15 Jan Swimming restarts – Yr 4  
Junk Orchestra – Yr 1
- 16 Jan Creative Biscuit – Yr 4
- 16/17 Jan The Clunk – Yr 6
- 17 Jan Coffee Morning – 9 am  
Maths Day



## SEND Coffee Mornings

Please note, we will be running the following SEND Parent coffee mornings next term:

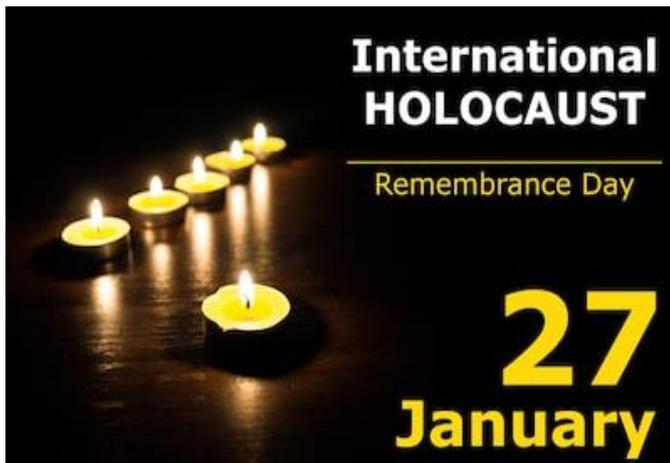
Session 3	Language at home	Speech Therapist - Aoife	22.1.19
Session 4	Autism Awareness	SENDsuccess/ Whitefield Outreach	8.2.19
Session 5	Sensory difficulties	SENDsuccess/ Whitefield Outreach	1.3.19
Session 6	Behaviour	Dr Anna Griffiths EP	TBC

The sessions will start at 9 am and are open to all Selwyn parents and carers.

## Holocaust Memorial Day

Next term, we will be teaching the children about the Holocaust, with a variety of different activities taking place during the week leading up to Holocaust Memorial Day – 27 January. As well as learning about the holocaust of World War 11, we will also be looking at other occasions of genocide across the world, and how this is still a very relevant topic today.

If you, or any of your friends or relatives, have any items which you feel might enhance their learning and understanding of this sensitive topic, and are prepared to loan them to us, we would be very grateful.



## EYFS Nativity

On Tuesday, children from Nursery and Reception put on a charming, musical nativity, telling the story of the first Christmas. They spoke, sang and acted with poise and confidence and it was very moving to watch.



*Congratulations to all our budding stars!*

## Writer of the Week



This week, our congratulations go to:

Lower Phase – Amelia, Palm Class

Upper Phase – Raea, Walnut Class



## Performances at Selwyn

Here at Selwyn, we invite all parents and carers to watch our many performances and assemblies that take place throughout the year.

Polite reminder: While you are, of course, welcome to take photos and videos of your children's performances, please ensure that these are for your own personal use only. No photos or videos to be uploaded on any social media platform sites, e.g: Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Working together, we can keep our children safe.



## Attendance

The classes with the highest and lowest attendance for the week ending 14.12.18 were:

Highest	Percentage
Willow	100%
Hazel	99.3%
Beech	98.6%
Lowest	Percentage
Cypress	92.4%
Mulberry	90.0%
Teak	89.3%

**Congratulations to Willow Class for their perfect attendance – what a great way to end the term!**



## Mathematician of the Week

This week, our congratulations go to:

Lower Phase – Iris, Palm Class

Upper Phase – Daniel, Olive Class

