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A Message from the Principal Jason Marantz The term in review

Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderful term we have had. I have just been looking over the previous term's newsletters and I have seen so many exciting opportunities including class trips, puzzle competitions, guest authors, visiting footballers, book days and so much more.

I am very proud of the progress we are making at Swift. Your children and their development are the centre of what we do. If you want to see what we have been doing, please come along to our end of term assembly next Friday and see first hand how we do things the Swift way.

Have a great weekend
Mr Marantz
Principal

ATTENDANCE NEWS

Winners of this week's attendance awards were:

1 st place:	Southbank – Year 3	99.1%
2 nd place:	Goldsmiths – Year 3	98.8%
3 rd place:	Cambridge - Year 2	98.1%

Our whole school attendance for this week was:

95.3%

Our attendance for the year to date is **95.1%** and our target for this year is **96%**, so we need to keep working towards this. Please send your children to school, **every day and on time.**

**Remember,
good attendance is linked to good progress.**

Swift Pupils Visit the House of Lords



West London Zone are really thrilled about being invited to the book launch of 'The Dream Snatcher' written by Abi Elphinstone that was held last week. Two children from Swift, Horatio and Tengistur, attended the event which took place at the House of Lords.

Thank you very much to Beanstalk, Pink Shoe and Abi Elphinstone for hosting the children and making the experience so fantastic and memorable!

Year 6 Police Talk

On Monday 20th March, Year 6 had some special visitors from Scotland Yard: PSCO John Duggan and PCSO Lisa Saunders. They came to talk about criminal responsibility, cyber bullying, drugs and knife crime. The children gained lots of knowledge to help them make the right choices and they learned about the consequences linked to crimes.

Barni, a year 6 student, said "I enjoyed it because it showed us that we are becoming young adults but also we're still children. We need to make sure we are friends with the right people and are not easily influenced."

Yasser, another year 6 pupil stated "I learnt that criminal records could ruin your life by stopping you from getting jobs and restricting you from certain countries."

Year 6 teacher, Miss Young, believes this experience has given the children lots of knowledge, "Now, they are aware of some of the choices they will face in the future and the consequences linked to wrong choices. This session is based on empowering the children to make the right choices as they advance into secondary school and adult life."



Dates for your diary

29 th , 30 th March 3-6pm	Parents' Evenings
31 st March	End of Term Concert – parents welcome at 2:45pm sharp
31 st March	Last day of the Spring Term, School closes at 3:30pm
19 th April	First Day of the Summer Term
1 st May	Bank Holiday – No School
8 th May	Edinburgh Class Assembly, 3pm
8 th May – 12 th May	Year 6 SATs Week – all year 6 children must be in school
29 th May – 2 nd June	Half Term
6 th July	Staff Training Day
13 th – 14 th July	Classroom Visits
21 st July	Last Day of School

