



## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome our Nursery and Reception children and their families into school this week. I have been impressed by the way our youngest children have settled into life at Swift.

The autumn term is now in full swing and we have been thrilled to see so many smiles and positive attitudes. The children should be commended for their resilience and their 'can do' approach to returning to school, particularly with new systems and procedures to get used to.

We continue to work hard, implementing changes to guidance related to COVID-19 as they come. We have amended the COVID-19 flowchart guide for parents which can be found at the foot of today's newsletter. The NHS has produced some guidance to help parents understand when their child can and cannot attend school which you may find useful: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthybody/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

From next Monday, we ask any parents entering the school site (playground, school office) to please wear a face covering. This will be most appreciated as we continue to do all we can to keep Ark Swift safe and open. Thank you for your continued support.



I must publicly thank our wonderful cleaning team, Joanna and Dorota and our site manager, Piotr. Throughout the day they are doing a superb job of cleaning surfaces, toilets, door handles, dining spaces, classrooms – if something can be cleaned, they're on it! Their attention to detail is second to none and they are doing an incredible job in keeping our school safe and sanitised.

With best wishes,

Daniel Upfield  
Principal

## House Captains

Congratulations to the newly elected **Year 6 house captains:**

Owls	Hawks	Eagles	Falcons	Kestrels
Rashawn	Sonja	Daliyah	Summaya H	Edward

## Pupil Council

Congratulations to our newly elected Pupil Council:

Year R Bath	Represented by Jack, Year 6
Year 1 York	Anjali
Year 2 London	Zakirah
Year 3 Warwick	Hannah
Year 4 Worcester	Talya
Year 5 Oxford	Raidah
Year 6 Bristol	Kuri
Year 6 Sheffield	Tiernan

Pupil Council Secretary/Miss Burton's PA Aisha, Year 6

## Music Mark

Ark Swift have been nominated by the Tri-Borough Music Hub to become a Music Mark School for the 2020/21 academic year. We are delighted that the value we place on music and our commitment to a broad and balanced curriculum has been recognised.

Well done to Miss Joannou for leading our music provision to new heights.





# MUSIC MARK SCHOOL

~ **2020 - 2021** ~

In recognition of a commitment to providing a high-quality music education for all children and young people

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## Pupil Information

It is imperative that all details are kept up-to-date, especially your emergency contact numbers. Please ensure that any changes are communicated to the school office at the earliest opportunity. It is also very important that we know about all allergies your child might have, however slight (plasters, nut allergies, wasp stings, asthma etc.) so that your child receives the appropriate treatment.

**On Monday, your child will bring home a record of the information we currently hold. Please check this carefully and return any changes to the school office as soon as possible.**

If your child requires medication, please speak to the school office or Miss Zadi who will explain the authorisation and administration process.

## Birthdays

Due to the current situation, I'm sorry to say that we can't accept cakes or other food to celebrate children's birthdays. I'm afraid this is just one of the many things that are currently on hold. Thank you for your understanding.

## Timetables and Curriculum Newsletters

Class timetables and curriculum newsletters will be uploaded to our website at the beginning of next week. Take a look to see what your child is doing in school this term. They can be found under the 'Life at School' tab. Amongst other subjects you will now see French (KS2), 2x sports sessions per week, music and computing as regular features of our curriculum offer.



**Reception children loving the new all-weather outdoor area this week. Come rain or shine there is so much fun to be had!**

# The process:

What happens if a child or staff member shows symptoms of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).



If a child/staff member or someone they live with displays symptoms **at home**, they must not come to school.



If a child/staff member displays symptoms **at school**, we will send them home along with their sibling/s (or any other children who live in the same home).



They must have a test as soon as possible to see if they have the virus.  
They'll have to **stay at home until they have their results.**



If a child or member of staff has a positive test they need to isolate for 10 days from the onset of symptoms.

If a child or member of staff has a unclear test they need to get a retest till they get a clear result and continue isolating for 10 days from the onset of symptoms.

**They should only return to school if they do not have symptoms other than a cough or loss of smell or taste.**



If a child tests negative and if they feel well and no longer have symptoms similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), they just have a cough or changes to sense of smell or taste – these can last for weeks after the infection has gone. **They should contact the school and can stop self-isolating and return to school.**



We'll send a letter to let you know that someone in your child's bubble has tested positive for Coronavirus.

**For primaries, this will mean sending the whole bubble home. Everyone in that bubble will then have to self-isolate for 14 days. For secondaries, those who have been in 'close contact' with the infected person will need to be sent home and asked to self-isolate for 14 days.**

If anyone sent home starts to develop symptoms, they should get a test for Coronavirus and let us know the outcome.



Pupils who are isolating will have access to remote provision so that they can continue to learn remotely



We'll make sure the classroom has a deep clean and we'll send you a letter confirming when the bubble can return.

## FREE MULTI SPORT PARK SESSION



**Wednesday: 4:30PM - 5:30PM**  
**at Hammersmith park**  
**W12 7FW**

Activities are suitable for 4-11 Yr olds  
Just turn up and play!  
Register on site

For more info contact Jake on  
0208 735 1589 or  
Jake@londonportstrust.org



## FREE MULTI SPORT PARK SESSION



**Wednesday: 4:15PM - 5:15PM**  
**at Wormholt park**  
**W12 0LQ**

Activities are suitable for 4-11 Yr olds  
Just turn up and play!  
Register on site

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