



The Swainswick Newsletter

Welcome to The Swainswick Newsletter. We will be sending these out every two weeks to share the amazing things that are happening at our school. This will evolve over time but might include what has been happening in each class and will include any important information that you will need to be aware of.

A message from me

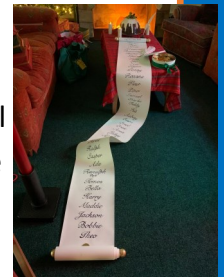
Merry Christmas! As we near the end of the term, it is a time for reflection. We have had an amazing first term and are really looking forward to what 2025 has to bring at Swainswick! This time of year is always a very busy period and it is important to take time for yourself and ensure you enjoy the festivities.

Mr Hall

Christmas Fair



Thankyou to everyone who attend the Christmas Fair at New Oriel Hall last Saturday. It was so lovely to have the whole school community together and celebrate this special time of year. The stalls were a great success.



A big thankyou to The Friends of Swainswick for all their hard work for putting the fair together. They managed to raise over £1000!



Art Club

These three pieces of work are based on Mary and Joseph's journey together to Bethlehem: a difficult journey! Mary had to rely on the donkey and Joseph to get her and the baby there safely. Joseph had to rely on Mary for sound advice and no doubt some morsels of food like dates and water. The angel, painted by Molly, brings good news of the safe delivery, and the nativity by Shershia shows the new born in a simple manger with the proud parents. The whole scene by Seb, illustrates the visitors about to arrive from their travels. In the Christianity, the belief that Jesus can be the light of the world to all humans, rich or poor, as we all start off as a little vulnerable baby. We were inspired by Brian Wildsmith's book 'The Christmas Story' told from a different perspective of Rebecca whom lives next door and his beautiful illustrations which incorporate gold to highlight certain parts of the book. More prints of work can be seen in Swainswick church.



Community work

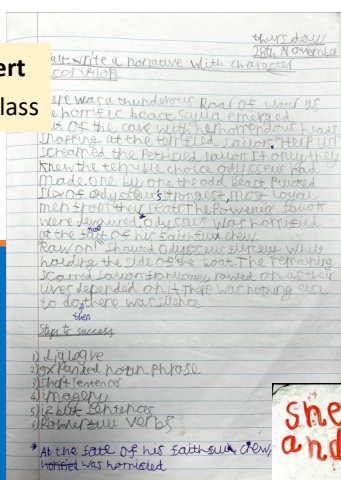
As the seasons have changed at school, the leaves have all fallen off all trees. The whole school completed some community work in clearing the school grounds of the leaves. The children used their imagination to create appropriate tools for the job. Most of the leaves have since been added to the school compost pile.



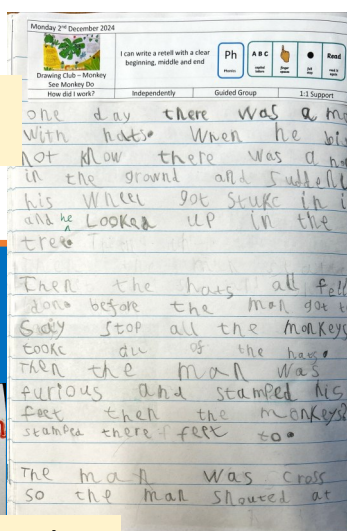
Writing at Swainswick!

This 1/2 term, the children have been working really hard on their handwriting and presentation skills in their writing. We have been focusing on the formation of our letters and taking real pride in our writing. We hope you agree that their hard work has really paid off!

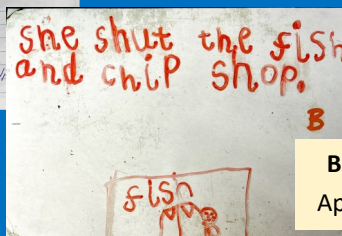
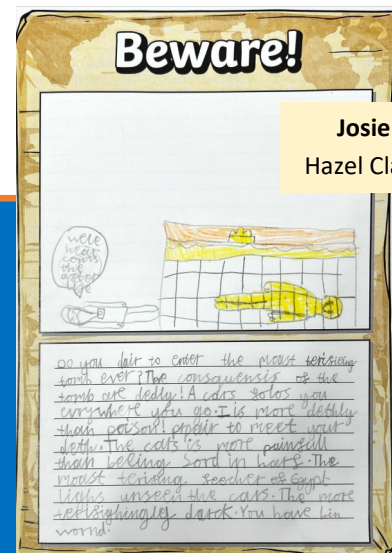
Rupert
Oak Class



Lissie
Apple Class



Josie
Hazel Class



Barnabas
Apple Class

Volunteer parents!

Hazel Class are going to We the Curious in Bristol on Wednesday 18th December.

They will be leaving at 9.15 am and will be back by 3.30 pm.

If you are able to support on this trip, please let Mr Hall, the office or Miss Hitchcock know.

Thank you in advance for your support!



**Whole school
attendance so far this
1/2 term is....**

94%

Important dates to remember

- Thursday 19th December - Christmas Dinner Day and Xmas Jumper (more information will be shared soon)
- The Nativity at Swainswick Church Thursday 12th December 9.30 am and 5.30 pm

If you would like your child to stay at school on the evening of the Nativity, please fill in this form below by Monday 9th December.

Nativity form