

SSSC NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2 2025

We have had another extremely busy term at SSSC, preparing for Swanwick's Got Talent, the Xmas Fayre and lots of exciting events that are detailed in the final Newsletter of 2025.

TERM DATES

Autumn 2 2025

We break up for Christmas on
Friday 19th December 2025 at
1pm

Spring 1 2026

Monday 5th January - Friday 13th
February 2026

Inset Days 2026

Monday 29th June 2026

LUBRIZOL WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 10 pupils completed a three-week placement at Lubrizol Science and Engineering lubricant manufacturers. They have experienced work within the science and engineering industry due to their interests and intended future career plans. They were introduced to the team at Lubrizol, had a tour of the research and development facilities, had lunch with the staff and developed blends of lubricants to make the transition of a tug easier through metals. They all had a great time and learnt a lot of new skills within a work environment.

CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

All pupils were invited to take part in a Christmas Card competition. They could come up with their own design, and were encouraged to be as creative and festive as they could! These were a selection of the beautiful submissions. The top cards will be sent to our local MP, who may choose one to go on the Christmas cards she sends out each year. Well done to everyone who got involved.



THEME ENRICHMENT DAY

On Wednesday 12th November, our KS3 Cognition pupils took part in a Theme enrichment day based around the theme of 'Collections and Collaborations'. Pupils were off timetable all day and took part in different activities through the lessons of Drama, Music, Art and Food Technology.

EASY FUNDRAISING

A big thank you to everyone who has signed up for "easyfundraising" and supported Swanwick School and Sports College by shopping online, it really makes a difference! This quarter we have raised £197.77



Please scan the QR code and download the app to start raising funds for SSSC just by shopping online.

HUMANITIES INTERHOUSE

Humanities interhouse. A brand new and exciting opportunity for our young people to enjoy and learn!

Pupils took part in all things History, Geography and R.E. The staff created some innovative and engaging team activities that really inspired all.

The new House Captains have been working hard to encourage pupils to take part positively and work together as a team. Activities included an R.E relay, Flag biscuits, Flick golf, a Timeline challenge and a Where in the World challenge.

Well done to all the teams and thank you to all the staff who planned a fantastic afternoon for our pupils.



TREE OF HOPE



On Tuesday 25th November our school was given the incredible privilege of planting a Tree of Hope, grown from the iconic Sycamore Gap tree.

This special sapling was generously donated to us by the National Trust, and our pupils had the honour of helping to plant it.

It was a moment of real significance for our whole community—standing together as we planted a symbol of resilience, hope, and new beginnings. This tree will grow at the heart of our school as a reminder of our shared strength, our commitment to nurturing every young person, and the belief that from small beginnings, great things can grow.

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

In school we have taken part in events around anti-bullying week and pushed the motto 'be the power for good'. We began the week with a whole school assembly where the message to 'be the power for good' was discussed and pupils were able to express ideas about how this would bring positive outcomes in certain situations. We also had a very bright and colourful odds socks day where we were able to celebrate our differences – even our choice of socks! Pupils then took part in special lessons to extend their work on Anti-Bullying in our PSHE lessons. Our in school Anti-Bullying ambassadors kept up their presence around school and were on hand to 'be the power for good' if needed.

SSSC SUPPORTS CHILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 14th of November, SSSC supported the BBC's Children in Need campaign and raised a fantastic £137.14. The theme of the day was to 'challenge yourself to do twenty five of anything' with pupils having the opportunity to take part in a wide range of fun activities. These included a twenty five piece treasure hunt, naming twenty five countries in twenty five minutes, a football tournament, writing a twenty five word story and making a twenty five note melody. It was a fantastic day.



KS4 DRAMA AND MUSIC PANTO VISIT

Our key stage 4 Drama and Music students attended the Pantomime at Derby Arena. Oh yes we did! It was magical with fantastic characters, good and evil. We sang along to hits by Taylor Swift and musical Wicked. Pupils were impressed by the live band sparkly costumes and UV under water flying. They are super excited to go again next year already!



PREFECT NEWS

New prefects were selected this year as we had to say goodbye to the previous Year 11 pupils.

We have been given more opportunities this year to show our leadership roles and independent skills. We have been given new roles such as: Anti-bullying walks, Reading to the younger pupils, School recycling and our Break/Lunch time clubs.

The Prefects have also hosted and organised the Primary Xmas party with pass the parcel and lots of fun and games. We are all enjoying our new roles and responsibilities and have had a successful half-term.

Merry Xmas from The Prefects.

AND FINALLY...

A huge thank you for all the amazing support you've given the school this year. 2025 has been a year to be proud of as we've continued to 'Enjoy, Achieve, and Exceed.'

Wishing you a wonderful Christmas and a very Happy New Year. We can't wait to welcome you back on January 5th and make 2026 the best year yet.

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