







SWALWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Working together, learning together

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Our School Values

At Swalwell Primary School we aim to create a happy and inclusive learning environment where we work hard and make lasting friendships.

The school is at the heart of the community and aims to provide a safe, caring and respectful environment which enables pupils to develop academically, emotionally, physically, socially and spiritually whilst promoting fundamental British values. We provide a broad and engaging curriculum which allows individuals to develop their educational potential and skills for life. We firmly believe every child has the right to be the best they can be and we strive to ensure each child reaches their academic, social, physical and emotional potential.

Children's rights are at the core of our practice, we firmly believe every child has:

- The right to learn
- The right to be safe
- The right to be heard
- The right to be happy
- The right to be me







School Uniform

School uniform is worn by all pupils from Nursery to Year 6, and parents are asked to support our uniform policy.

The school uniform consists of:

- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without the school logo)
- White polo shirt (with or without the school logo)
- Grey or black trousers, skirt, shorts or pinafore dress
- Plain black sensible shoes
- Optional blue and white gingham dress for the summer term

For health and safety reasons, jewellery should not be worn in school, with the exception of a wristwatch. Children should be dressed appropriately and comfortably for school each day.

Sweatshirts, cardigans and polo shirts featuring the school logo can be purchased from our uniform supplier: Logo's Unlimited, 320C Mayoral Way, Team Valley, Gateshead, NE11 0RT

Children in Years 1 to 6 are required to provide their own PE kit. The school PE kit consists of a plain white T-shirt, plain black shorts and a suitable bag to store these items. Children should also have a pair of trainers or plimsolls for outdoor PE activities. PE kits may be kept in school throughout the week or brought in on PE days, as advised by class teachers.







Timings of the school day

School operates a 'soft opening' to help reduce movement around site. This means children are welcome to enter their classrooms from 8:40am. Learning starts at 8:50am prompt.



Nursery:
8:50am - 12:00pm

Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2:
8:50am – 3.20pm

School Meals

We are proud to offer a high-quality school meals service provided by Gateshead Council. At Swalwell Primary School, we promote healthy eating and encourage all children to enjoy a balanced and nutritious diet. Special dietary requirements for medical, cultural or religious reasons can be accommodated.

Our current school lunch menu is available to view on the school website. In addition to the daily main meal options, there is a jacket potato and deli option available each day.

The cost of a school meal is £2.75 per day for children in Key Stage 2 and £2.00 per day for Nursery children. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a Universal Infant Free School Meal. School meals should be paid for in advance using ParentPay.

Families who receive certain benefits may be entitled to benefit-related free school meals. Parents can apply online via the Gateshead Council website or speak to the school office for further information and support.

Children are welcome to bring a packed lunch to school. In line with our healthy eating policy, we ask that packed lunches do not contain sweets or fizzy drinks. Due to several allergies within school, we also ask that no nut-containing products are brought onto the school site.

Wraparound Care

Breakfast Club
Before school, we have a FREE breakfast club which runs daily from 8am. This is funded by the Greggs Foundation. We have a selection of cereals, toast and spreads, yogurts, fruit and cheese available for the children to choose from. There are also lots of activities for the children to participate in, such as crafts, lego, games etc. Last entry to breakfast club is 8:30am.

Swalwell Stars After School Care
Our after-school care, 'Swalwell Stars', is staffed by school. We hope this will give you extra peace of mind.

- It runs from 3.20pm to 5pm Monday to Friday and the charge is £8 per session. This includes a snack.
- You can book in advance and payment is made through our ParentPay system.
- We also accept payment through the Government's Tax-Free Childcare scheme.

Nursery

Is your child ready to take their first steps into learning? At our warm and welcoming school nursery, we create a nurturing environment where little learners grow, play, and thrive. We believe every child deserves the best start, and our dedicated team ensures each child feels valued, celebrated, and supported from day one.

We offer flexible options to suit your family's needs, including 15 funded hours and 30 hours extended entitlement for eligible families. Our exciting Forest School sessions give children the chance to explore, learn, and discover through outdoor adventures—building confidence and a love for nature.

If you'd like to find out more or arrange a visit, please get in touch. We'd love to welcome you and your child into our school family!









Outdoor learning & forest school

At Swalwell Primary School, we recognise the value of outdoor learning and the positive impact it has on children's wellbeing, confidence and personal development.

Children in Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 take part in a weekly Forest School session every Thursday, delivered by our external provider, Muddy Monsters. Sessions are led by experienced Forest School practitioners and all activities are fully risk assessed to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for every child.

Each half term, sessions follow a planned theme and, where possible, link to learning taking place in the classroom. Alongside these structured activities, children are encouraged to take part in child-led learning opportunities that help to develop teamwork, resilience, problem-solving skills and self-esteem.



