

## Core signs for our topic this term.



Our topic this term is 'Dizzy Heights', here are some related signs for you to practice.

Faster



Mountain



Clouds



Stronger



Louder



Go



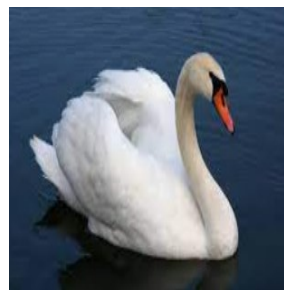
Don't forget to say the words as you sign!



## Swan Class Information for parents Term 1 2024/25

### Class Teacher and TAs

Liz Best (Teacher)  
Laura Back (TA)  
Janice Wadsworth (TA) Mon-Thurs  
Courtney Clare (TA)



### Regular events:

**Monday:** PE  
**Thursday:** PE Enrichment  
**Friday:** Combined Arts Award

### General Information

Welcome to Swan Class!  
We have been settling in well to our new class with our peers and adults. We have been exploring our new work environment and resources. Learning to Learn week is for the first week of term. We will then be moving onto our normal timetable which has been sent home for your information.

### Homework and Contact

Thank you for using the Home/School Journals. The comments we receive are really helpful and highlight how a pupil may require extra support during the day. Please do let us know if you have any concerns. Please read/ share a book with your child every night. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate named clothing for activities we are carrying out, such as: PE kit, wellies, coats and jumpers.

### Functional English

This term students will be focusing on the narrative 'When the Mountains Roared' by Jess Butterworth. Pupils will have the opportunity to find out about different mountain ranges around the world and the mountaineer Tenzin Norgay. They will be able to use their writing skills to write in a range of genre e.g. setting descriptions, non-chronological reports, recounts, formal letters, persuasive writing and poetry. The Pupils will continue to develop their reading comprehension skills through a range of fiction and non-fiction genre, focusing on extracting information from straight-forward texts. Pupils will have the opportunity to practice their speaking and listening skills through role play, discussions and debates around real-life familiar topics.

### Functional Maths:

This term students will be focusing on place value and addition and subtraction. Pupils will develop their mental strategies for calculating number bonds and applying these to calculations. They will be developing their problem solving skills involving addition and subtraction and will have the opportunity to apply these to real life situations.

### Digital Skills:

This term students will be learning how to use the features of a word processor. They will learn how to format images, layout and pages. Students will insert pages, use the spell check and insert hyperlinks. They will then apply these skills to present information. Students will learn about how to keep themselves safe on-line.

### PSHE/RSE:

This term students will be learning about family values and how to maintain healthy relationships. They will learn about what parents and carers need to do in order to meet the basic needs of babies and children.



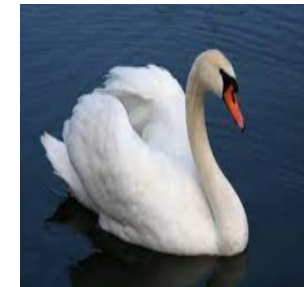
### Preparation for Adulthood:

This term students will be learning about hygiene and safety in the kitchen. They will learn what hygiene means and why food is stored in different places. They will find about the Importance of hygiene and how to read food labels and check for freshness.



### Employability:

This term students will be learning about health and safety in the workplace. They will think about possible hazards in a variety of workplaces and ways to ensure that employees are kept safe. Students will find out more about an employer's responsibility to keep their staff safe and how we do this at school.



### Physical Education:

Pupils will have a PE lesson every Monday. They will develop their gross motor skills and co-ordination. Please ensure your child has a named PE kit which can stay in school.

### Religious Education:

In R.E. pupils will be learning about how people from religious and non-religious communities celebrate key festivals. They will compare and contrast different festivals and learn about their traditions.



### Sports Enrichment

PE Enrichment will be every Thursday afternoon. Pupils will choose an activity from a range including boxing, cycling, ice skating and others for the term.

Term 6:  
Dizzy Heights