

FOSS Newsletter

May 2026

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Friends of Swaythling School

Upcoming Dates

- 8 May: Great Swaythling Bake-Off (see page 2)
- 15 May: Frozen Friday
- 22 May: Half-term doughnuts & Frozen Friday
- 5 Jun: Frozen Friday
- 12 Jun: Frozen Friday
- 15 Jun: Deadline for house t-shirt orders
- 19 Jun: Frozen Friday & Father's Day shop
- TBC: Summer Fair
- 26 Jun: Frozen Friday (& KS2 Sports Day)
- 3 Jul: Frozen Friday (& KS1 Sports Day)
- 10 Jul: Frozen Friday
- 17 Jul: Frozen Friday
- 21 Jul: Last day of school



Frozen Fridays

Every Friday in the summer term you can buy treats in the main playground after school. Icepops and bags of frozen orange slices cost 20p, lollies and ice-cream lollies are 50p or a £1 and cones (strawberry/toffee/mint) chocolate favours) are £1.50. Cash and card accepted

Can you spare a few minutes?

We don't need you to give up hours and hours but maybe you could bake some cakes for the café at the Bake-Off, summer fair, staff a stall at a fair? Maybe you could bring in some unwanted small toys which are cluttering up your home, or help sort the pre-loved uniform for 15 minutes once a week? If you think you could help out once in a while, email us on foss@swaythlingprimary.org]

THE GREAT SWAYTHLING BAKE OFF

Could you be a Swaythling Star Baker?

This Friday! *See page 2!*

Father's Day Shop

For Father's Day this year we will be selling lots of little things to appeal to the fabulous fellas in your life ranging in price from 50p up to £5. Look out for more info after half-term. Any left-over stock will be sold on Friday 19th June.



House Colour T-shirts

Did you know that Swaythling has four houses who compete for the House Cup in the KS2 sports day? The houses are Earth (blue), Mars (red), Jupiter (yellow) and Saturn (green). FOSS is organising to bulk buy Fruit of the Loom t-shirts in house colours to be shipped directly from a t-shirt wholesaler offering a saving on buying t-shirts in the shops. The t-shirts are 100% 165gsm cotton and cost £2.50 each. If you would like a t-shirt in their house colours for your child to wear on their Sports Day, please order by 12 noon on Monday 15th June at: <https://forms.gle/tdjZRGuKT1iGkiKb8>

If you have a house t-shirt from last year that is now too small, please think about donating to the Pre-loved uniform shop.

The Great Swaythling Bake-Off Returns!

After the success of last two years, the annual Great Swaythling Bake-Off returns on **Friday 8th May** so you have all election day to perfect your bakes. Can you do as well as last year's entrants?

- Free entry for all children
- Judging by school staff
- A Star Baker prize for each year group - The star baker Apron, Spoon and a Chocolate bar

FOSS will be running a café with tea, coffee, cold drinks and cakes for sale to raise funds for the school.

All entries will be judged after school in the hall, and then cakes will be sold as part of the bake sale—so don't forget to bring a little cash and treat yourself!

To enter, please complete the form below:

<https://forms.gle/XQ913ZPeRwfoXEto9>

We can't wait to see all the amazing creations and crown our Swaythling Star Bakers!

Please remember we are a nut-free school.



Last year's winners got an apron, spoon and bar of chocolate as prizes



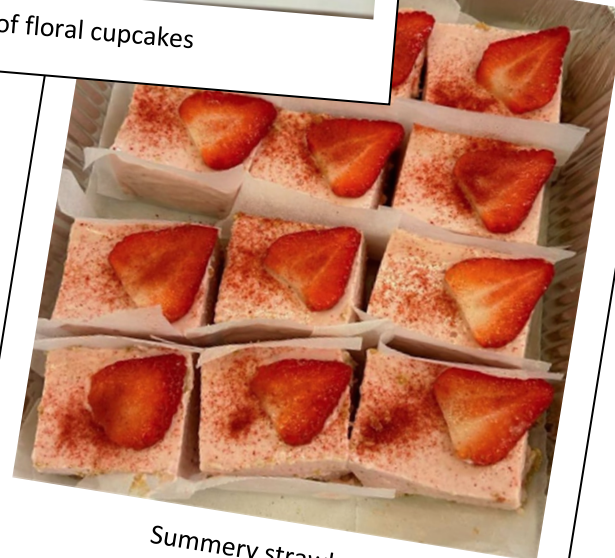
A box of floral cupcakes



Year 5 cakes from 2024 including an inventive platypus cake!



There was even a FOSS tribute cake!



Summery strawberry slices

Plastic Toy Amnesty

Donations needed
AHEAD OF THE FRIENDS OF SWAYTHLING SCHOOL
SUMMER FAIR

WE ARE GETTING READY FOR THE SUMMER FAIR AND WE NEED HELP TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR

- UNWANTED GIFTS - NEW OR USED ITEMS
- CLEAN AND GOOD CONDITION TEDDIES AND TOYS
- RAFFLE PRIZES
- SMALL TOYS FOR PRIZES (PARTY BAG SIZE)
- PRIZE OR EVENT SPONSORSHIPS FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES OR ORGANISATIONS

DROP OFF LOCATION
DONATION BIN IN MAIN RECEPTION

Get involved!

Can you offer a few hours on the day to help set up, run a stall or pack away? If so please get in touch

Foss@swaythlingprimary.org

Your generosity helps us to support our love school community thank you for your support

For more information:

Check our Facebook page , friends of Swaythling school

Use half-term to have a declutter! We will be collecting little toys that we can use as prizes on stalls as well as larger toys for the toy tombola. We all have various things around the house like party bag fillers, McDonalds toys, bubbles etc.

This helps us recycle toys, saving them from landfill, and also saving us money so we can spend more on the things to benefit children at school.

Pre-loved Uniform Shop

Our Pre-loved Uniform Shop in the shack in the bottom car-park is open every day before drop-off and pick-up. As well as uniform items, we have shoes, book and lunch bags! **Take what you need, pay what you can afford, using the donation tin or the QR code on the poster.**



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Don't forget to tell your friends and family as well – every penny counts 😊

Donate directly to FOSS

If you are lucky enough to be able to make one- off or regular donations to FOSS, you can choose what you would like your donation used towards on this form: <https://forms.gle/XpgsTkaohf3jonFQ8>

If you are a taxpayer, you also register for GiftAid, as a registered charity we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 donated.



FOSS Facebook Page

FOSS has its own Facebook page to make it easier to find what FOSS is up to. We'll be posting about events, how you can help and updates on our fundraising.

To join the group go to: www.facebook.com/groups/friendsofswaythingschool/

Don't forget the school also has its own Facebook page which has lots of useful info and announcements: www.facebook.com/groups/568748569917125

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