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The Summer holiday seems a distant memory as we move busily into the Autumn term. The calm and purposeful atmosphere across the school reflects the excellent learning and teaching which I see as I walk around.

Topics are engaging the children already and I hear lively discussions taking place about the learning which is happening. This Friday Years 5 and 6 are off to Nash's Bakery in Bicester, related to their Design and Technology topic of food around the world. I believe we will be bread making and icing along with learning about the workings of a bakery. Many thanks to Mr Nash for organising and hosting this for us.

Foundation are off in a couple of weeks to Buckinghamshire Railway Centre to investigate wheels and trains, and even ride on a steam train. Years 5 and 6 are also off to Westminster to see how Parliament works, which will be very exciting. So many interesting experiences already planned.

You should all have had your child's curriculum letter and explanation of spellings. Do ask your child's teacher if there is anything you don't understand to avoid any worry or misconceptions. Parents evening is also coming up when you will have the opportunity to speak to the teacher. There is also a Curriculum evening on 9^{th} November 2016 which will explain in detail how your child is taught and how best to support at home. We hope you will come along as this is a very useful and informative evening.

May I once again remind everyone that they must not park in the staff car park at any time. It is a small space where people are not expecting children to be. Delivery drivers, as well as school staff, are constantly arriving and do not expect to find a child in the car park. Also, please do not block the school pedestrian gate as this is specifically placed to enable everyone to safely cross the road. Your car may also get scratched as buggies, bikes and scooters struggle to get past.

We look forward to seeing you at our Harvest Festival on Monday 3^{rd} October. Please bring any gifts you have to school in the morning or to Church in the afternoon. All gifts are then distributed around the village to our senior members of the community.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Judith Foster

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Headteacher



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MOVING UP TO SECONDARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The date for the school photographer has now been changed to THURSDAY 6TH OCTOBER. We apologise for any inconvenience this change of date may have caused.



All the children will be photographed individually as these are also used for our school records.

We will also arrange to have family group photographs taken. If you have a younger pre-school sibling, who you would like to be included in a family group, then please come to the school hall from 8.30am to have this done.

Any pre-school children or Nursery children who are not in school on a Thursday morning can also come along from 8.30am - 9.00am to have their photographs done.

FILM CLUB

Please note that Film Club finishes at 4.20pm.

PHONICS SUPPPORT SESSIONS

Reception Parents - Don't forget Miss Chilton's Phonic Support Sessions on a



Monday afternoon from

3.00pm - 3.15pm in the school hall.

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS

The information about applying for your child's Reception class place for September 2017 will be distributed by Buckinghamshire County Council towards the end of October and will also be available via their website www.buckscc.gov.uk.

The important dates for the process are as follows;

7 Nov From this date you can make your primary school2016 application (Buckinghamshire residents only).

DEADLINE!

This is the latest date for returning a paper application toyour child's current infant school if you are making an application to transfer to junior school.

DEADLINE!

This is the latest date to submit your online application
 (Buckinghamshire residents only), you have until 3pm. If you are posting your application it must reach us by 3pm on this date.

DEADLINE!

The latest date for moving into or within Buckinghamshire

29 Jan

(and providing evidence that you are resident) for us to

use this address for the first round of allocations. Final
date for agreed special cases to be considered as timely

(moving house is not considered to be a special case).

18 Apr If you applied online you can login to see which school we2017 have offered your child. You will also get an email.

OPEN DAY 13th OCTOBER 2016 10.00-11.30AM AND 1.30-3.00PM

We will be holding our annual Open Day on 13th October 2016. The day is aimed at parents of children who are looking to join our school either in Nursery or Reception but parents of older children are equally welcome.

As part of the day we would like to invite you to "Bring a Friend" to school. Our parents have always been the best people to promote our school and we hope you will welcome the opportunity to bring a friend along to the open day to show them what we can offer.



PREMIER SPORTS CLUBS



Premier Sport are running the following clubs at Twyford this term.

Multisports	3.30pm - 4.30pm
Years 1-3	20 th Sept - 6 th Dec
Tuesday	£47.85
Gymnastics	3.30pm - 4.30pm
Years 1-6	21st Sept - 7th Dec
Wednesday	£49.85
Football	3.30pm - 4.30pm
Years 3-6	23 rd Sept - 9 th dec
Friday	£47.85

All clubs are booked directly with Premier Sport via www.premiersport.org. If you have any questions you can contact them on 01296 620097 or email akempton@premiersport.org / tmills@premiersport.org

SUNDAY AT 4

Sunday 25 September 4pm-5.30pm at Charndon Community Centre.

Sunday at 4 is for children of primary school age. We meet for fun, games, Bible stories, craft activities, music, prayer and refreshments. This month the theme is 'Look before you leap!' Newcomers are always welcome to come along and see what we get up to!

It helps our planning if you can let us know if your children hope to attend.

With best wishes

Revd David Hiscock 01859 277297 david@3d.co.uk Revd Angela Mann 01296 771100 angela.mann@o2.co.uk



VERUCCAS

Please ensure if your child has a Verruca that it is treated if necessary and covered for P.E. If you inform the teacher they will allow your child to wear their plimsolls for P.E. so as not to spread infection.

The NHS guidance is that most Verrucas clear up on their own without treatment although this may take some time.

ADMISSIONS TEAM BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

If you need to contact the Admissions Team at Buckinghamshire County Council the number has recently changed to 01296 395000 option 3.

Many queries can be answered by their website www.buckscc.gov.uk/admissions where there is also a 'Contact Us' link.

If you would prefer to email the address is admissions@buckscc.gov.uk.



Outdoor learning dates for the Autumn 2016 term are:

28/09/16	Year 3 & 4	Den Building
05/10/16	Year 5 & 6	Den Building
12/10/16	Reception	Gardening, getting ready for Winter
19/10/16	Year 1 & 2	Gardening, getting ready for Winter
02/11/16	Year 3 & 4	Gardening, getting ready for Winter
09/11/16	Year 5 & 6	Gardening, getting ready for Winter
16/11/16	Reception	Christmas Decorations
23/11/16	Year 1 & 2	Christmas Decorations
30/11/16	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Decorations	
07/12/16	Year 5 & 6	Christmas Decorations

Please could the children have suitable clothing for being outside for these sessions, wellies are always a good idea and warm/waterproof clothing. Outdoor learning sessions take place straight after lunchtime.





DATA COLLECTION SHEETS

Please return your Data Collection Sheet so we can update our database.

It is extremely important that we have the correct contact details so we can get hold of you in an emergency. Please also check the numbers of any alternative contact such as childminders or family friends.

Please also check your child's medical information as this may have changed since you originally advised us of any medical conditions or medications.

HOT LUNCHES

If you would like to order hot lunches for your child please contact the school office for a copy of the menu and an order form. Please return orders by 9am on Tuesday for the following week. If possible please order for the whole half term.

ALLERGEN ADVICE - If you have any concerns about the ingredients in any of the meals you can contact Chartwells Customer Care Line for advice. Please note that the meals are all nut free.

If you need to cancel your child's lunches due to illness please call Chartwells Customer Care Line on 01908 615705 each day of your child's absence. A credit note is issued from the second day of absence.

CAKE SALE



We will be holding a cake sale after school on Friday 21st October to raise funds towards the cost of school trips throughout the school year. The cost of taking children on these visits increases each year and we do our best to keep the costs down to ensure that every child in every class will experience these learning opportunities. By fundraising in this way we hope to keep costs affordable for everyone.

We would really appreciate your help with donations of cakes or biscuits. Please make a note on your calendar!

The cake sale on 21st October will be organised by Years 5 and 6.

HEADLICE



We are aware that there has been a case of headlice in school.

The only way to try to alleviate this problem is if everyone checks their children's hair carefully each evening. To do this wash your child's hair and condition and comb carefully with a fine tooth comb for at least 10 minutes. Check the comb by putting all hair and residue onto a piece of white paper and inspect. If head lice are found please treat either with a chemical treatment or with daily conditioner/combing.

Head lice are very resilient. One combing, no matter how careful, will not get rid of them. The wash and conditioning process must be continued almost daily for a minimum of 2 weeks, the life cycle of an egg. Only then can you begin to relax if nothing else is found!

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S HAIR TONIGHT



MK DONS FAMILY FUN DAYS **GROUP TICKET REWARDS** MK DON Stadium MK Sunday 9th October Kick-off 2.15pm **ADULTS** £10 OVER-65s DISCOUNTED U18s TICKET PRICES MUST PROVIDE NAME OF FOR GROUPS TEAM/ORGANISATION

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AGM/NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 27th September at 8pm at school. We will also have our obligatory AGM as part of the meeting.

You will all have received a letter about the PTFA Officer roles that are up for re-election this year. Currently there are vacancies for Treasurer, Secretary and possibly Publicity. A nomination form is included at the end of the newsletter if you would like to nominate yourself.

Katherine Rollason is continuing as Chair, but with Katie leaving her Co-Chair role Katherine will really need some help to be able to make the PTFA successful. Please talk to Katie, Katherine or Julie Hall in the School Office if you would like any more information or if you are considering nominating yourself.

CHILDREN'S PHOTO SESSION SATURDAY 15TH OCTOBER



More information on this will follow, but families will be able to book in their children for a photo on the morning of Saturday 15th October at school. You will be able to book a slot for your photo session and there will be refreshments.

FAMILY BINGO EVENT - FRIDAY 7th OCTOBER



Tickets will go on sale next week - £10 for a family of 4 (includes first game and a light supper) and £2.50 for a single ticket. Watch out for the flyer with more details in book bags soon.

COFFEE MORNING

All parents and carers are welcome to join us for tea/coffee and cake in the staff room at 9am on Tuesday $11^{\rm th}$ October. Pre-school children are welcome too and we ca provide toys to keep them occupied. Come along for a catch up.

THE GIVING MACHINE

Before you do any online shopping log on to **The Giving Machine website**, <u>www.thegivingmachine.co.uk</u> to support the PTFA.

This is a website that will make a percentage donation to the PTFA for every purchase made through them. It takes 2 minutes to set up an account and then you can shop at your leisure at numerous high street websites such as Amazon, John Lewis, Next, Sainsbury's, Boden, Argos, Tesco, M&S and Boots. For example if you do an online food Tesco shop through The Giving Machine, Tesco will donate up to £4.25 the first time you do it. Please, please consider doing this as we could raise an incredible amount of money if everyone took part.

TERM DATES - 2016/17 - 2017/18

Autumn Term 2016	Monday 5 th September 2016	Friday 21st October 2016
	Monday 31st October 2016	Tuesday 20 th December 2016
Spring Term 2017	Thursday 5 th January 2017	Friday 10 th February 2017
	Monday 20 th February 2017	Friday 31 st March 2017
Summer Term 2017	Tuesday 18 th April 2017	Friday 26 th May 2017
	Tuesday 6 th June 2017	Friday 21 st July 2017
Autumn Term 2017	Wednesday 6 th September 2017	Friday 20 th October 2017
	Monday 30 th October 2017	Tuesday 19 th December 2017
Spring Term 2018	Thursday 4 th January 2018	Friday 9 th February 2018
	Monday 19 th February 2018	Thursday 29 th March 2018
Summer Term 2018	Monday 16 th April 2018	Friday 25 th May 2018
	Monday 4 th June 2018	Tuesday 24th July 2018



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
Tuesday 27 th September		PTFA Meeting/AGM 8pm at School
Monday 3 rd October		Harvest Festival 2pm at St. Mary's Church
Tuesday 4 th October		Year 5 and 6 delivering Harvest gifts.
Thursday 6 th October	New	Individual School Photographs
Friday 7 th October	New	Hockey Tournament - Year 6 at Twyford
Friday 7th October	New	Hockey Tournament - Year 5 at Marsh Gibbon
Tuesday 11 th October	New	PTFA Coffee Morning - Staff Room 9am -10am
Thursday 13 th October		Open Day 10-11.30am and 1.30-3pm
Saturday 15 th October		PTFA Family Portrait Day
Tuesday 18 th October		Parents Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday 19 th October	New	Nursery and Reception visit to Buckinghamshire Railway Centre
Thursday 20 th October		Parents Evening 6.00pm - 8.00pm
Friday 21st October		Cake Sale to raise funds towards the cost of school trips.
Friday 21 st October		School breaks up for half term
Monday 31 st October		School re-opens after half term
Monday 31 st October		Deadline for Year 6s to apply for their secondary school place.
Monday 31 st October		Year 5 and 6 Visit to Westminster
Wednesday 2 nd November		Reception celebrating Diwali
Friday 4th November	New	Hockey Tournament - Year 3
Friday 4th November	New	Hockey Tournament - Year 4
Monday 7 th November	New	Year 2 Science Fair at Lace Hill Academy
Wednesday 16 th November	74211	Flu vaccinations Year 1, 2 and 3
Monday 5 th December		Trial morning for new Nursery children
Tuesday 6 th December		Trial morning for new Nursery children
Wednesday 7 th December		Chartwells Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 13 th December		Nativity at St. Mary's Church 2.20pm and 6.00pm
Friday 16 th December		PTFA Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 20 th December		Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children
Tuesday 20 th December		School closes for Christmas Holiday
Thursday 5 th January		School re-opens after Christmas Holiday
Monday 16 th January	New	Deadline to apply for a Reception Class 2017 place.
Friday 10 th February	14611	School breaks up for Half Term
Monday 20 th February		School re-opens after Half Term
Tuesday 7 th March		Parents Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Thursday 9 th March		Parents Evening 5.30pm - 8.00pm
Monday 20 th March		Echoes - Royal Albert Hall, KS2 Choir
Friday 24 th March		Red Nose Day
Monday 27 th March		SATs Parents meeting for Year 6 parents
Thursday 30 th March		Easter Service at St. Mary's Church 9.15am
Friday 31 st March		School closes for Easter Holidays
Tuesday 18 th April		School re-opens for Summer Term
		Reception Class 2017 place offers will be sent out to parents from
Tuesday 18 th April	New	Buckinghamshire County Council.
Monday 8 th - Friday 12 th May		SATs Week
Friday 26 th May		School closes for Half Term
Monday 5 th June		Inset Day
Tuesday 6 th June		School re-opens after Half Term
Thursday 29 th June		Nursery and Reception Grandparents Afternoon 1.30pm - 3.00pm
Monday 3 rd July		KS2 Production Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 4th July		County Induction Day
Wednesday 5 th July		KS2 Production 2pm
Thursday 6 th July		KS2 Production 7pm
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Tuesday 11 th July	Sports Day and Picnic
Friday 14 th July	Camp Out Day
Monday 17 th July	Celebration Assembly at St.Mary's Church 1.30pm
Tuesday 18 th July	School Ramble 1.15pm
Tuesday 18 th July	Open Evening 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Friday 21 st July	School closes for Summer Holiday 1.30pm

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MENU FOR AUTUMN TERM 2016



Order forms are available from the school office.



Parent Teacher Friends Association

Date: 5th September 2016

Dear Parents

PTFA Meeting incorporating the Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Please return the slips below as soon as possible, or by (insert date) at the latest.

I hereby give notice of the AGM of the Twyford C of E School PTFA, to be held on Tuesday 27th September 2016. The evening will commence at 8pm with the PTFA Annual General Meeting, followed by our usual monthly meeting.

The PTFA plays a vital part in the school community and all parents/carers, as members of the PTFA, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children at our school.

The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the PTFA Committee, to represent the association throughout the forthcoming academic year. Nominations should be sent in advance of the AGM (please use the slip below of you want to put yourself forward). Katherine Rollason is standing for re-election as Chair and we are looking for anyone willing to stand as Secretary or Treasurer.

If you would like any further information about being more involved, please speak to Katherine Rollason or Katie Ellison. As parents and carers of children at the school you are automatically committee members of the PFTA. The roles of the PTFA are outlined in the PTFA folder held in the school entrance porch.

Date



Signed