Twyford C of E School





Christ was humble, he obeyed God and even died on a cross Philippians 2:8











Our value for this week is "Politeness"

Dear Parents

The Burns Night was a great success with haggis and dancing 'til the wee small hours! Thank you so much to Denise for organising it, Richard for the Whisky tasting and Guy Horwood for cooking along with all the fantastic ladies and gents, who decorated the hall, served the meal and washed up on the night, thank you. It was a really great evening which the whole village supported raising quite a lot of money for your children.

The results of the fundraising can be seen in the hall. We have just taken delivery of a mobile interactive whiteboard which has been paid for by the PTFA. It is only though their hard work and as parents your generosity that we can afford such things. Budgets are being squeezed tighter all the time and there aren't the finances to buy those extras which we need. Please do support the PTFA in any way you can, come to meetings or just offer your help when you are able to, all help is welcomed, baking a cake, buying a raffle ticket and coming to the events the PTFA put on, everything helps.

On Monday 6th February we have a student starting in Miss Leslie's class. She will be joining us for six weeks, supported by Miss Leslie, teaching groups and the class as part of her training. Miss Keen is a PGCE student who is nearing the end of her training so it will be lovely to see her development in our school.

You will have noticed all the posters that Year 5 and 6 have put around the school for the toy sale they are organising to raise money for school trips. Children are asked to bring in a maximum of two toys which they no longer want which will then be sold next week. All toys must be in good working order and have all parts. We will return toys which are broken or in poor repair. Children can bring money in a named envelope from Tuesday 7^{th} to Thursday 9^{th} when the toys will be on sale.

Despite repeated requests for parents to not park in the car park, it is still happening. Please understand this is for your child's safety and not us being awkward. We will be taking note of anyone who now parks in the car park and steps will be taken to remind anyone who does so not to continue.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Judith Foster

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Headteacher



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ECHOES 7 at THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL



Our Key Stage 2 Choir, Erin, Hattie, Isabelle, Hannah, Izzie, Grace, Mair, Emily, Juliet and Bethan, have been busy rehearsing for their performance at the Royal Albert Hall on 20th March 2017.

They, along with choirs and musicians from other Buckinghamshire Schools, will be performing a selection of songs including pieces commissioned for this performance. Scott Stroman has written a piece for the second half and will also direct his piece at the concert and well known composer Sheila Wilson has composed a piece for the finale that all 1700 children will sing.

The performance starts at 7pm on 20th March. If you would like to attend to support our choir, tickets are now on sale from the Royal Albert Hall box office, http://royalalberthall.com/tickets or 0845 401 5034 / 020 7589 8212

TOY SALE We will be holding a toy sale between Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th February, during the school day. The children are invited to bring in one or two (no more than two please) toys to donate to the sale and will have the opportunity to visit the sale during the day to buy something new. The children should bring the money they would like to spend at the sale into school in a named envelope. Funds raised will be going towards school trips throughout the year to help to keep the costs down as much as possible. Please bring the toys to school on the morning of Tuesday 7th February.



Outdoor learning dates for the Spring 2017 term are:			
08/02/17	Reception	Den Building	
22/02/17	Year 1 & 2	Den Building	
01/03/17	Year 3 & 4	Den Building	
08/03/17	Year 5 & 6	Bird Boxes / Wild Meadow	
15/03/17	Year 3 & 4	Bird Boxes / Wild Meadow	
22/03/17	Year 1 & 2	Bird Boxes / Wild Meadow	
29/03/17	Reception	Bird Boxes / Wild Meadow	

Outdoor learning dates for the Summer 2017 term are:			
19/04/17	Year 5 & 6	Pond Dipping	
26/04/17	Reception	Pond Dipping	
03/05/17	Year 1 & 2	Pond Dipping	
10/05/17	Year 3 & 4	Pond Dipping	
17/05/17	Year 5 & 6	Nature Walk	
24/05/17	Reception	Nature Walk	
07/06/17	Year 1 & 2	Nature Walk	
14/06/17	Year 3 & 4	Nature Walk	
21/06/17	Reception	What is a weed and what is a plant!	
28/06/17	Year 1 & 2	What is a weed and what is a plant!	
05/07/17	Year 3 & 4	What is a weed and what is a plant!	
12/07/17	Year 5 & 6	What is a weed and what is a plant!	

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.

PHONICS SUPPPORT SESSIONS

Reception Parents - Miss Chilton will be holding a Phonics Support Session every Monday afternoon from 3.00pm - 3.15pm in the school hall.



CAKE SALE

We will be holding a cake sale on Friday 17th March to raise funds towards school trips.

We will be delighted to receive your donations of cakes or biscuits to sell. Please bring them into school on the morning of the sale if possible.

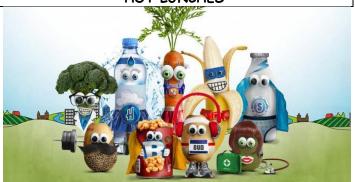
The nearly new uniform will also be out on display if you are looking for anything ready for the Summer term.



BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL - SCHOOL TRAVEL SURVERY

Buckinghamshire County Council are currently running a survey on School Travel. If you would like to share your thoughts with them you can find the survey at https://www.research.net/r/SchoolJourneySurvey

HOT LUNCHES



A free hot lunch is available to every child in Reception and Year 1 and 2. This is funded by the Government's Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM) scheme. Children in Nursery and Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 can order a meal at a cost of £2.30 per day.

Please return orders by 9am on <u>Tuesday</u> for the following week. If possible please order for the whole half term.

<u>ALLERGEN ADVICE</u> - 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.

NEARLY NEW UNIFORM

We have had lots of donations of uniform so if you are looking for any items in the next size up please do come and have a look.

The nearly new uniform in the school foyer is now overflowing with uniform in good condition. You are welcome to take items from the box in return for a donation to school funds. Please pass your donation to the school office.

If you have any outgrown uniform in good clean condition we would appreciate you putting it in the box.

You are welcome to have a look through the box at any time and we will also be displaying all the uniform at the Cake Sale.

FOUND IN TWYFORD

A former pupil of the school has found two gold chains in Twyford along Main Street.

They would really like to reunite these with their owner. If you think they may be yours could you please contact the school office and we can put you in touch.

SAINSBURYS ACTIVE KIDS

Sainsbury's are now running their 2017 Active Kids campaign. Look out for vouchers in stores up until 30^{th} June 2017.

Last year we managed to purchase lots of outdoor play equipment for the children to use both in P.E and at break times.



Please ask your family and friends to support us too.

THE MONEY SAVING GOOD FOOD SHOW



We have been contacted by a TV Casting Producer, currently working on a new TV show for ITV1 entitled 'The Money Saving Good Food Show'.

They are currently looking for big 8+ families, who live in this area to take part in the show, which gives them the opportunity to help reduce their food shopping bill and learn some tasty new recipes.

TWYFORD CRICKET CLUB

Richard Wade will be running an under 11s squad (last year's under 10s, of course) this season, working on key skills to allow the players to move onwards and upwards. They will be competing in the Bucks League which is an 11-a-side competition playing 'standard' laws of cricket, ie not batting in pairs and 'out' means 'out'! They have also, provisionally, entered the Oxon league which is a separate competition where the kids still play in pairs (similar to last year).



This means 2 things:-

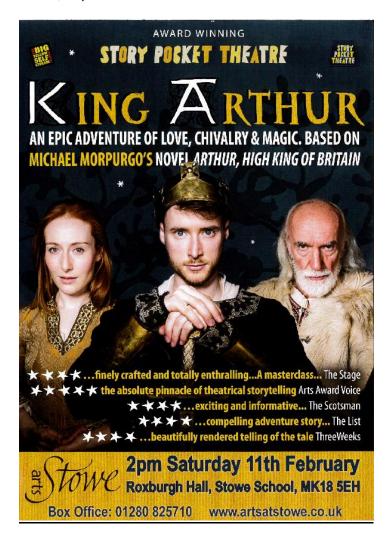
- We need a good, solid squad of players ideally around 14-15 in number to allow for absences. So encourage friends, classmates etc as it will be vital that we get some new recruits. Richard will also be looking for commitment from everyone who expresses an interest that they are able both (1) to come along to our training sessions when they start (in early May) and (2) to play in a majority of the matches.
- The club have booked some winter nets (seniors and juniors) and these will be running every

 Monday evening from 7.45pm starting on 20

 February. These will be at Stowe School.

 Richard will be aiming to drive up there from Twyford at 7.15 and he will be able to take up to 4 players. Richard encourages as many as possible to come along as the sessions will be worthwhile! There will be a small charge (yet to be confirmed but likely to be £2 per player).

Finally, as you may be aware, Twyford Cricket Club have started a Group page on Facebook. Most of their news will be posted on there but there will still be regular mailshots. Please contact Richard Wade (via the school office) if you would like more information.







The PTFA try to keep in touch with the parents and carers of Twyford C of E School in many ways including this Newsletter and our Blackboard, but we also use email to keep you up to date with meeting dates, meeting minutes and event updates. If you would like to receive e-mail communication from us then please e-mail ksrollason@hotmail.com and you will be included on the distribution list.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 21**st **February 2017 at 8pm** at school. Everyone is welcome, so please come along if you would like to be involved in running/supporting activities that raise money for your children's school.

BURN'S NIGHT

We would like to thank all the people who helped out with or attended our Burn's Night Celebration on Saturday evening. I would particularly like to thank Denise and Richard Wade, Dawn Hope, Imogen Cyster, Corrina Megenis, Rachel and James Handford, Katie and Mark Ellison, Sonia and Andy Bosley, Lisa Machay, Sarah Miller, Andy Kucharczyk and of course Guy Horwood for cooking such a delicious meal. We are still waiting for one last bill, but we know we have raised just over £800 - an amazing achievement. The money raised will be going towards the new Playhouse for the Foundation Stage playground and the garden refurbishment.

SMARTIE CHALLENGE



We will be running a Smartie Challenge over the half term holiday. This activity is specifically raising money for updating and revamping the school garden/quiet area. A letter (and a treat!) will be coming home in Book Bags on Monday 6th February. Please take part as all money we raise helps enhance all our children's education.

QUIZ NIGHT



Watch this space for details of the Quiz Night on 25th March 2017 at The Crown. We will be taking entries for teams of 4 - 6. The entry price will include a light supper. The Quiz will be written by Richard Wade so it would be advisable to start swotting up now!

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

We have got plenty of activities coming up later this school year. As usual we will hold an Easter Egg Hunt, Cream Tea and Summer Sizzler. We are also planning to offer refreshments at this year's Sports Day. If you would like to get involved with helping to organise any of these events, then please let us know - we are ALWAYS delighted if parents want to get involved! We are always short of helpers and we could achieve so much more with involvement from more families.

THE GIVING MACHINE

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Don't forget to use The Giving Machine when you shop online for Holidays. It is such an easy way for us to make money for our school and you can help if you shop online. It takes 2 minutes to register with The Giving Machine (a charity and not-for-profit organisation) and then you can do most of your internet shopping via them. Each retailer that is registered with The Giving Machine then donates a sales commission (either as a % of sales or as a lump sum) that is turned into a charitable donation for our cause. The list of companies that you can raise money through is enormous and includes Amazon, SportsDirect.com, Argos, John Lewis, Booking.com, Boden, Haven, Marks & Spencer, Next and many, many more.

www.thegivingmachine.co.uk



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School Diary



Thursday, 02 February 2017

TERM DATES - 2016/17 - 2017/18

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 21st 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 24 th July 2018

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
Friday 3 rd February		Newsletter published
Friday 3 rd February		Year 5 and 6 Handball Tournament
Wednesday 8 th February		Outdoor Learning - Reception
Tuesday 7 th - Thursday 9 th February	New	Toy Sale
Thursday 9 th February		School breaks up for Half Term
Friday 10 th February		INSET Day
Monday 20 th February		School re-opens after Half Term
Tuesday 21st February	New	PTFA Meeting 8pm at school
Wednesday 22 nd February		Outdoor Learning - Year 1 and 2
Tuesday 28 th February		Team from Year 3 and 4 Tennis Tournament at Waddesdon 3.30 - 5.30pm
Wednesday 1 st March		Outdoor Learning - Year 3 and 4
Friday 3 rd March		Newsletter published
Wednesday 8 th March		Parents Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday 8 th March		Outdoor Learning - Year 5 and 6
Thursday 9 th March		Parents Evening 6.00pm - 8.00pm
Thursday 9 th March		Echoes rehearsal in Aylesbury for those taking part in the
•		performance at the Royal Albert Hall.
Monday 13 th March	New	Antony Lishak, author to celebrate World Book Day
Wednesday 15 th March	Change	Outdoor Learning - Year 3 and 4
Friday 17 th March		Newsletter published
Friday 17 th March		Last day for school clubs this term.
Friday 17 th March	New	Cake Sale
Monday 20 th March		Echoes - Royal Albert Hall, KS2 Choir
Wednesday 22 nd March		Outdoor Learning - Year 1 and 2
Friday 24 th March		Red Nose Day
Saturday 25 th March	New	PTFA Quiz Night at The Crown, Twyford
Monday 27 th March		SATs Parents meeting for Year 6 parents
Wednesday 29 th March		Chartwells Easter Lunch
Wednesday 29 th March	Change	Outdoor Learning - Reception
Wednesday 29 th March	New	Lower KS2 History Off the Page - Viking Day



Thursday 30 th March		Easter Service at St.Mary's Church 9.15am
Friday 31 st March		Last day for Premier Sports Clubs this term
Friday 31 st March		Newsletter published
Friday 31 st March		School closes for Easter Holidays
Friday 31st March	New	PTFA Easter Egg Hunt
Tuesday 18 th April		School re-opens for Summer Term
		Reception Class 2017 place offers will be sent out to parents
Tuesday 18th April		from Buckinghamshire County Council.
Wednesday 19 th April		Outdoor Learning - Year 5 and 6
Thursday 20 th April		Class Photographs
Friday 21st April	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Friday 21 st April		Newsletter published
Wednesday 26th April		Outdoor Learning - Reception
Thursday 27 th April		Team from KS1 Athletics Festival 3.30-5.30pm
Friday 28 th April	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Wednesday 3 rd May	, , , ,	Outdoor Learning - Year 1 and 2
Friday 5 th May		Newsletter published
Friday 5 th May	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Monday 8 th - Friday 12 th May	7 4077	SATs Week
Wednesday 10 th May		Outdoor Learning - Year 3 and 4
Friday 12 th May	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Wednesday 17th May	7 4277	Outdoor Learning - Year 5 and 6
Wednesday 17 May		Team from Year 5 and 6, Rounders Tournament at Waddesdon
Thursday 18 th May		3.30-5.30pm
Friday 19 th May		Newsletter published
Friday 19 th May	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Tuesday 23 rd May	New	Whole School visit to Warwick Castle
Wednesday 24 th May	7 1011	Outdoor Learning - Reception
Friday 26 th May		School closes for Half Term
Friday 26 th May	New	PTFA Cream Tea 2pm
Friday 26 th May	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Monday 5 th June	7 4077	INSET Day
Tuesday 6 th June		School re-opens after Half Term
Wednesday 7 th June		Outdoor Learning - Year 1 and 2
Friday 9th June		Newsletter published
Friday 9 th June	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Wednesday 14th June	74077	Outdoor Learning - Year 3 and 4
Friday 16 th June	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Tuesday 20 th June	7 4000	Team from Year 6 attending Science Big Bang Conference
Wednesday 21st June	New	Outdoor Learning - Reception
Friday 23 rd June	, 40,0	Newsletter published
Friday 23 rd June	New	PTFA Summer Sizzler
Friday 23 rd June	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Wednesday 28th June	New	Outdoor Learning - Year 1 and 2
Thursday 29 th June	, 40,0	Nursery and Reception Grandparents Afternoon 1.30pm - 3.00pm
Friday 30 th June	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
Monday 3 rd July	7 4011	KS2 Production Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 4 th July		County Induction Day
Wednesday 5 th July		KS2 Production 2pm
Wednesday 5 July Wednesday 5 th July	New	Outdoor Learning - Year 3 and 4
Thursday 6 th July	INEW	KS2 Production 7pm
Friday 7 th July		Newsletter published
Friday 7 th July	New	KS2 Swimming Lesson
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Tuesday 11 th July		Sports Day and Picnic



Wednesday 12 th July	New	Outdoor Learning - Year 5 and 6
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
Wednesday 19 th July		Newsletter published
Friday 21 st July		School closes for Summer Holiday 1.30pm
Wednesday 6 th September		School re-opens after Summer Holidays
Friday 8 th September		Newsletter published
Tuesday 12 th September		Transfer Testing - Preparation Tests
Thursday 14 th September		Transfer Testing - Transfer Tests
Friday 22 nd September		Newsletter published
Thursday 28 th September		Individual School Photographs
Friday 6 th October		Newsletter published
Friday 13 th October		Transfer Testing Qualification Results
Friday 20 th October		Newsletter published
Friday 3 rd November		Newsletter published

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MENU FOR SPRING TERM 2017



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