

Twyford C of E School

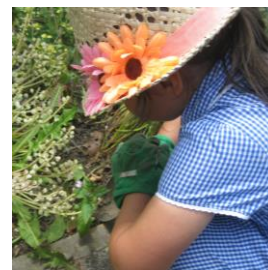


He will be called
Immanuel which
means 'God is
with us'

Matthew 1:23



Our value
for this
week is
"Hope"



Dear Parents

Thank you for all your donations for Children in Need last Friday, we raised a superb total of £201. This will now be sent to the charity to help children less fortunate than ourselves.

Last Thursday we held a Curriculum Evening for parents. This was designed to inform and support you in your child's learning. Disappointingly this was not well attended which was such a shame as all the teachers invested a lot of time putting together presentations for the evening and resources to help you to support your children. I think if you speak to those parents who did come along that they found it an extremely interesting and informative evening, which was very helpful to them in understanding what and how the children learn in school and how to help them at home. I hope to put some of the information on the school website in the next few days. We will not be repeating the evening for at least another year but you will be able to access this information yourselves at www.twyfordschool.org.uk. Your child should have brought home a booklet on Friday which explains what the expectations are for each year group. We hope you will find this helpful in understanding what your child should be learning.

The second team played a football match against Marsh Gibbon School last week and drew 2:2. This was a brilliant result as this was their first proper match as a team this year. They work really well together and we look forward to seeing some exciting matches.

Due to personal circumstances the Headteacher at East Claydon School is having to take some time out. I have been asked to temporarily take on the role of Acting Headteacher for 1½ days each week whilst she is away. This means I will sometimes be over at East Claydon School but always available to talk to if you need to speak to me or you can speak to Mrs O'Brien our assistant Headteacher. Hopefully this will only be until Christmas.

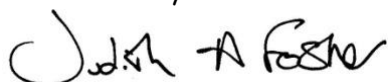
The regular PTFA coffee mornings have been really successful. It's a lovely opportunity to get to know other parents and begin to feel part of the school. Thank you to all those who organise it and provide very yummy cake! Do come along, even if it is just for half an hour.

Please make sure you look closely at the diary dates over Christmas. It is always a busy time and you would be disappointed if you missed anything.

I look forward to seeing many of you tonight at the Pamper Evening. Even if you don't want pampering (who wouldn't!!) it's a chance to do a little Christmas Shopping at the several stalls which will be there and indulge in a glass of wine. All funds raised go towards enhancing your child's learning and experiences at school.

Finally we sadly have to say goodbye to Mrs Glass as she leaves for a new job. Donna has cleaned the school meticulously for nine years and has been a lunchtime supervisor for over five years. We will miss her and wish her all the best in her new job.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Judith Foster
Headteacher

CHILDREN IN NEED

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our collection for Children in Need. We raised an amazing £201. Pudsey took shape as he was filled with coins and looked brilliant by the end of the day.



SPORTS NEWS

Our Football team played Marsh Gibbon School on 10th November 2015 and drew 2:2 after a hard fought match. Well done to them.



PARKING

Once again we have received complaints from our school neighbours about parking in Church Street. There has also been an incident within the last two weeks where an ambulance couldn't access Lime Tree Court because of cars parked across the entrance to their driveway.

Please, wherever possible, park away from Church Street completely and walk the remainder of your journey. Main Street and Church Street are both very narrow roads with limited parking and it is so much safer for everyone if traffic is kept to a minimum.

Lime Tree Court needs access kept clear at all times.

We work hard to maintain a good relationship with our neighbours and would appreciate your consideration to help us avoid any frustrations.

SPORTS CLUBS



Miss Leslie is looking for parent volunteers who would be willing to run a lunchtime or after school sports club. If you have any experience of a particular sport we'd welcome your help to encourage more of our children to take part in a variety of sporting activities, and the opportunity for them to try different sports.

You don't need to have any official coaching qualifications as we will support you to set up and run the sessions. Enthusiasm for your chosen sport and wish to encourage participation are much more important. Please contact Miss Leslie directly or contact the school office, office@twyford.bucks.sch.uk

HOT LUNCHES

The deadline for ordering is the **MONDAY** of the previous week. Menu's and order forms are available via the school website www.twyfordschool.org.uk or from the school office.

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 for any reason ring Chartwells Customer care line before 9am 0121 457 5455, they require 48hrs notice and you will then be issued with a credit note.



OUTDOOR LEARNING

Outdoor learning dates for the rest of the term are:

25/11/15	02/12/15	09/12/15
Year 3 & 4	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6	Reception and Year 1 & 2
Wood burning	Christmas Decorations	Christmas Decorations



Have you any wire coat hangers? We need them for our next project! Please send them in to Mrs Manders in Year 3&4.

PTFA CHRISTMAS LUNCH 11th DECEMBER 2015

Due to the increase in numbers Nursery children will unfortunately not be able to join us for Christmas Lunch this year. The children are very welcome to come along at 1.15pm when the PTFA have organised an entertainer for all the children. You will need to stay with your child.

BUCKINGHAM MUSIC CENTRE IS NOW OPEN!



Buckingham Music Centre are delighted to announce that our new satellite centre is now fully open. We are running Junior Concert Band, Buckingham Strings and Guitar Group from Buckingham Primary School on Thursday afternoons. Lessons in most instruments are also available. From January we will also be running Tooty Flutey - our new flute choir for flautists who've been playing for two terms or more - it's not just for beginners though, come along whatever grade you are. You could come and watch our Christmas Concert at The Uglend Auditorium, Stowe School on 10th December or just come along one Thursday and meet us all. For more information contact Fay on fhayhurst@learningtrust.net

FLORA TUBS 4 TABLETS



We will once again be taking part in the Flora/Tesco Tubs 4 Tablets campaign.

Promotional packs of 500g Flora contain a token on the inner foil which can be exchanged for Galaxy Tablets. We need 50 tokens for each tablet so please let family and friends know that we are collecting so we can try and meet that target.

SUNDAY AT 4

Sunday 22 November 4pm-5.30pm at Grendon Underwood Village Hall

Sunday at 4 is for children aged 5-11years. We meet for fun, games, Bible stories, craft activities, music, prayer and refreshments. This month we'll be hearing about an angel's visit, an extraordinary message and what happened next.

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

With best wishes

Revd David Hiscock 01869 277297 david@s3d.co.uk

Revd Angela Mann 01296 771100

angela.mann@o2.co.uk

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

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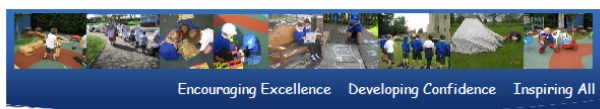
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY 18 DECEMBER 2015

On the last day of term, 18th December 2015 we will be supporting the Text Santa Christmas Jumper Day which this year supports Save the Children, Macmillan Cancer Support and Make-A-Wish UK.

Everyone will be asked to make a small contribution to the charity to wear their Christmas Jumpers to school that day.

Jumpers don't have to be from a shop, we're looking forward to seeing some of your own creations. Perhaps you could decorate an old jumper with your own unique design!

For some design templates go to http://www.itv.com/data/documents/PDF/002.Jumper_decorating_template.PDF



VACANCY CARETAKER

Permanent contract

Part-time, approximately 2 hours per week, flexible contract.

Bucks Pay Range 1, £17148 - pro rata

A Caretaker is required with immediate start to work in our friendly village school.

Applications are invited to join our dedicated team. We need an enthusiastic, responsible person to oversee all caretaking duties. This will involve a variety of duties including general maintenance and minor repairs.

Experience is preferable, however a positive approach, and ability to work on your own initiative are essential. An application form and further details are available from the school.

Closing date for applications Wednesday 2nd December 2015, interviews to take place Friday 4th December 2015.

Twyford C of E School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be subject to an Enhanced DBS disclosure.

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Headteacher: Mrs Judith Foster B.Ed (Hons)

www.twyfordschool.org.uk

ADMISSION TO RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2016



STARTING SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME

Application
deadline is
15 January
2016

**WAS YOUR CHILD BORN BETWEEN
1 SEPTEMBER 2011 AND 31 AUGUST 2012?**

If yes, Buckinghamshire parents can apply online for a school place from 4 November 2015. Visit our website www.buckscc.gov.uk to apply for a school place.

You must apply even if your child is at the nursery attached to the school you would like them to go to.

Helpful information about starting school for the first time is in the 'Starting School and Moving to Junior School' guide for parents which will be available on the web from the end of October.

If you cannot apply online you can fill out a paper application form.

Open days for primary school are available now on our website at www.buckscc.gov.uk

PLEASE DO NOT MISS THIS IMPORTANT DEADLINE

4 th November 2015	Online application process opens at www.buckscc.gov.uk
15 th January 2016	3pm is the application deadline
18 th April 2016	Reception class places are offered. If you applied online you will receive an email to confirm your child's school place or you will be able to check on which school has been offered. Offer letters are posted to those who made a paper application.

PHONICS SUPPORT SESSIONS

Don't forget Miss Chilton's
Phonic Support Sessions on a
Monday afternoon from
3.00pm - 3.15pm in the
school hall.





PARENTS TEACHERS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

PTFA NEWS

- Our next PTFA meeting is on Tuesday 1st December at 8pm at school. Please come along for a glass of wine at the next meeting. We would really welcome some new faces and new ideas.
- **Christmas Lunch and Party Day.** Friday 11th December. If there are any parents who can help out in advance and on the day, even with washing up, then please talk to the School Office or e-mail Katie Ellison on k3llis0n@hotmail.com or Katherine Rollason on ksrollason@hotmail.com.
- Thank you to Imogen Cyster for coordinating the Bags2School collection and to everyone who delivered and picked up the bags. Also a huge thank you to the Wood family who let us store all the bags at the farm.
- Rachel Handford has done an amazing job pulling all the orders for the Christmas Cards together. We have raised an incredible £408.59, so well done Rachel.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 1st December at 8pm at school

CLOTHES RECYCLING BIN

You may have noticed the new clothing bin in place at Twyford Village Stores. The bin can take: CLOTHES, SHOES/TRAINERS (tied together please), HATS, BELTS, BAGS, CURTAINS, TOWELS and BED LINEN (no duvets or pillows please). Please put in bags and tie together before putting in the bin. Large 'full' bin liners may not fit so please keep bundles small. This will raise money for Twyford C of E School PTFA and our chosen charity Starlight, which will help to brighten the lives of seriously and terminally ill children.

If the bin is full, please let Rachel Seago or the school office know ASAP so that we can get the bin emptied. Please don't leave bags around the bin, keep them in the boot of your car until the bin is emptied!



PAMPER EVENING

Ladies Pamper & Christmas Shopping Evening

A range of treatments at a fraction of the salon prices!

Friday 20th November from 6pm

Twyford C of E School, Church Street, MK18 4EU

Head & shoulder massages, mini manicures/pedicures, gel nails, eyebrow wax, facials, cosmetics, demonstrations, Christmas gifts, jewellery, clothing, handbags, accessories, Forever Living, The Body Shop, home decor, raffle...and lots more!

Mini bar for refreshments.

Tickets £5 in advance or £7 on the night (includes glass of bubbly & nibbles)
Tickets must be purchased prior to booking treatments in advance.

Contact the School Office 01296 730305 or
Tickets: Kate Ellison k3llis0n@hotmail.com or on sale at the Twyford Village Store
Appointments: Sue Manders 07733 183342

Bring all your friends and family for a girly night out!



TONIGHT!!

It's not too late to get a ticket - buy it on the door!

A variety of stalls to shop from and a chance to buy some early Christmas gifts. Stalls will be selling Christmas gifts, jewellery, clothing, handbags, accessories, cosmetics, home décor and lots more!

List of Ladies Treatments:

25 minute head, neck and scalp massage £15

25 minute Express Facial £15

25 minute Reflexology session £15

Indian Head Massage £8

Eyebrow Wax £5

Mini Manicure £10

Mini Pedicure £10

Gel nails £12

It's not too late to bring along your festive treats?:

We are hoping to sell home-made Christmas gifts and decorations. Also chutneys, jams and mince-pies.

COFFEE MORNING

**Tuesday 8th December
at 9am**

Please come along to the school staff room for a cup of coffee, slice of cake and a chat. All parents welcome and if you want to bake some goodies they will be gratefully received.



SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

The last order date for Christmas orders is 1st December. Place your book orders at

www.shop.scholastic.co.uk/schools/twyford-ce.

Remember the school gets 20% of your order value and the teachers get reward points that can be spent on books for their classes or the library.

THE GIVING MACHINE

Calling all online Christmas Shoppers!

Before you do anything log on to **The Giving Machine website**.

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 (we know because we have just done it) 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. So

when you are doing your Christmas shopping over the next few weeks please do it through www.thegivingmachine.co.uk. Please, please consider doing this as we could raise an incredible amount of money if everyone took part.



WISH LIST

If you would like to submit a 'wish' for purchasing new equipment and resources for the school, please fill in an application form and either pass to a member of the PTFA committee, or in the school office. Application Forms can be found in a folder in the front entrance.

The 'wishes' will be discussed at the next PTFA Committee meeting which you are welcome to attend, and decisions will be fed back to you.

EVENTS TO LOOK OUT FOR NEXT TERM.....

- Paella night in The Crown
- Sponsored fundraising event
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Film Club Night

PTFA Film Club
Night
Friday 27th
November, doors
open at 6pm.

We will be showing two films,
one for KS2 and another for
the younger children. Details
of the films will be posted on
the board outside school.

Log in to the film club and you can
then become your own film critic.

Popcorn and drinks will be
provided.

Entry is £2.

No need to buy tickets or book a
place, just turn up on the night.

(Nursery children will need to be
accompanied by a parent/carer)

TERM DATES - 2015/16 and 2016/17

	Open on the morning of:	Close at the end of the afternoon on:
Autumn Term 2015	Thursday 3 rd September 2015	Friday 23 rd October 2015
	Tuesday 3 rd November 2015	Friday 18 th December 2015
Spring Term 2016	Tuesday 5 th January 2016	Friday 12 th February 2016
	Tuesday 23 rd February 2016	Thursday 24 th March 2016
Summer Term 2016	Tuesday 12 th April 2016	Friday 27 th May 2016
	Monday 6 th June 2016	Thursday 21 st July 2016
Autumn Term 2016	Monday 5 th September 2016	Friday 21 st October 2016
	Monday 31 st 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
	Monday 5 th June 2017	Friday 21 st July 2017

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 24 th November	<i>New</i>	Twyford v. Swanbourne Football Match Away
Thursday 26 th November		Year 1 and 2 Flu Immunisation
Friday 27 th November		PTFA Film Club Night 6pm
Tuesday 1 st December		New Nursery children trial morning
Tuesday 1 st December		PTFA Meeting, 8pm at school
Wednesday 2 nd December		New Nursery children trial morning
Sunday 6 th December		Christingle Service at St. Mary's Church, Twyford
Tuesday 8 th December	<i>New</i>	PTFA Coffee Morning 9-10am in the Staff Room.
Thursday 10 th December	<i>New</i>	Year 5 & 6 singing carols at Lime Tree Court
Friday 11 th December		PTFA Christmas Lunch and Party Day
Tuesday 15 th December		Nativity, St. Mary's Church 2pm
Tuesday 15 th December		Nativity, St. Mary's Church 6.30pm
Wednesday 16 th December		Chartwells Christmas Lunch
Thursday 17 th December	<i>New</i>	Christmas Party Day
Friday 18 th December		Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 18 th December		Break up for Christmas Holiday
Tuesday 5 th January		School re-opens after Christmas Holiday
Friday 15 th January		Deadline for applications for Reception class 2016 places.
Tuesday 26 th January	<i>New</i>	Barnardo's Assembly
Tuesday 2 nd February	<i>New</i>	Young Carers Assembly
Friday 5 th February		Year 5 Sports with Padbury School
Friday 12 th February		School closes for Half Term
Monday 22 nd February		Inset Day
Tuesday 23 rd February		School re-opens after Half Term
Thursday 3 rd March		World Book Day
Friday 11 th March		Year 6 Sports with Padbury School
Tuesday 15 th March		Parents Evening 3.30pm - 5.00pm
Thursday 17 th March		Parents Evening 6.00pm - 8.00pm
Thursday 24 th March		Easter Service, St. Mary's Church, Twyford 9.15am
Thursday 24 th March		School closes for Easter Holiday
Monday 11 th April		Inset Day
Tuesday 12 th April		School re-opens after Easter Holiday

Monday 18 th April	<i>New</i>	Reception class places are offered direct from Buckinghamshire County Council.
Wednesday 20 th April	<i>New</i>	Faith Tour, Years 5 and 6
Monday 9 th - Friday 13 th May		Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Monday 23 rd May - Friday 27 th May		Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip
Friday 27 th May		School closes for Half Term
Monday 6 th June		School re-opens after Half Term
Thursday 9 th June		Whole School Photograph
Tuesday 14 th June		Sports Day & Picnic - Recreation Ground, Twyford
Wednesday 15 th June		Year 6 Leavers Photographs
Thursday 30 th June		Grandparents Afternoon - Foundation (Nursery & Reception)
Tuesday 5 th July		County Induction Day
Monday 11 th July - Friday 15 th July		Children's Choice Week
Friday 15 th July		Camp Out Day
Monday 18 th July		End of Year Celebration Service, St. Mary's Church 2pm
Tuesday 19 th July		Whole School Ramble
Tuesday 19 th July		Open Evening
Thursday 21 st July		School closes for Summer Holiday
Monday 5 th September	<i>New</i>	School re-opens after Summer Holiday
Friday 7 th October		Individual School Photographs

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Find out more about how you can make a true difference to the lives of young people and how you can become a teacher!



Are you a graduate or in your final year at university? Would you like a change of career?

The Buckingham Partnership SCITT offers a bespoke PGCE course for Primary and Secondary Trainees. It is situated in Buckingham and based at the Royal Latin School. The Partnership comprises of more than 30 partnership schools specialising in a vast range of subjects.

The Buckingham Partnership will be holding a Teacher Taster Day on:

Friday 4th December 2015
9.00am – 3.30pm

The session will inform prospective applicants of the course, what is on offer, how to apply. Course leaders take a personal interest in your application and needs. We aim to help you secure a placement suited to your needs and requirements to make the most of your talents.

To find out more about the course and the placements on offer for 2016/2017 please get in touch with Helen Hinchcliffe.
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