Twyford C of E School





Jesus said, "You are set free from your sickness"

Luke 13.12







Our value for this week is "Politeness"







Dear Parents

Happy New Year and welcome back. We are all looking forward to an exciting 2016 with lots planned for this year including our first Year 5 & 6 residential trip in May.

We welcome Bella-Rose, Molly, Amelie, Lilly, Riley and Oliver to our Nursery this term. I am sure they will love all the fun that goes on in there.

We are also welcoming a new member of staff to the team, Mrs Anna Wright joins us as Lunchtime Supervisor. We're sure her enthusiasm will be a huge asset to the school.

It was a very busy end to the Autumn term but as always such a wonderful time of the year. It was lovely to see many of you at the mulled wine and mince pie event on the last day. The raffles were drawn and the name the clown competition winner announced. The clown was won by Clara Horwood and the four enormous hampers were won by Claire Wood, Sarah Miller, Catherine Walters and Rachel Handford. A super prize which I'm sure was appreciated by all those families.

Although we are not forecast any snow please ensure we have your correct telephone number to contact you in an emergency or in the event of the school having to close.

Staff will be sending out their topic letters over the next week. Do discuss these with your children as ideas from these discussions are used to help plan the children's learning.

I will be continuing to support over at East Claydon School this half term whilst their Headteacher, Mrs Booth recovers from her recent illness.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Judith Foster

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Headteacher



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CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Text Santa Christmas Jumper day on the last day of term. We raised £79.45 which has been sent to the charity to support Macmillan Cancer Support, Make-A-Wish® UK and Save the Children.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a few items left from last term in our lost property box, they include a white polo neck top, navy jacket, striped knitted hat, a single black glove and a sock! We also have a pair of shin pads.

If any of these items are yours would you please collect them from the school office.

Following the Nativity in church a pair of school trousers are missing. They are labelled so would you please check at home in case they have been picked up by mistake.

SCHOOL TRANSPORT



If you would like to discuss your child's eligibility for school transport please contact the Buckinghamshire County Council Admissions team on 01296 383250 who will be able to assist you.



Outdoor learning dates for the Spring 2016 term are:

06/01/16	Reception	Making Kites
13/01/16	Years 1 & 2	Making Kites
20/01/16	Years 3 & 4	Making Kites
27/01/16	Years 5 & 6	Making Kites
03/02/16	Reception	Pebble Pets
10/02/16	Years 1 & 2	Pebble Pets
24/02/16	Years 3 & 4	Pebble Pets
02/03/16	Years 5 & 6	Pebble Pets

SCHOOL NURSING SERVICE SURVEY YEARS 5 & 6

The School Nursing Service are conducting a Needs Assessment to understand health and wellbeing needs of 5-19 year olds in Buckinghamshire. As part of this we want to survey school age children to understand their experience of the School Nursing Service.

We have designed a survey for school years 5-13 for schools in Buckinghamshire in order to better understand and improve the School Nursing Service. The closing date for responses is **31 Jan 2016**.

You can find the link to the survey here - https://www.research.net/r/bccschoolnurse

The survey is open to children in Years 5 and 6 only.

Please note, in line with the Market Research Company code of conduct, a responsible adult e.g. a parent, guardian, teacher, nanny or grandparent must give consent for young people aged 16 and under to take part.

SERVICE PUPIL PREMIUM

Children of Parents who are Regular Forces Service personnel qualify the school for a Service Pupil Premium. This is used to support the children in school and can also be used to assist parents with the cost of any additional expenses such as school visits.

If you think you may qualify for this funding please contact the school office.

PARENTING COURSE

Parenting course starting in January.

Children don't come with an instruction manual but we could all use a little help and advice from time to time.

Why do a parenting course?

Parenting courses are for everyone - there are no such things as perfect parents! Parenting courses are for every mother, father, step-parent, prospective parent and carer of children. We all do the best we can and courses can offer new ideas or fresh perspectives on family issues we may be facing.

Taking a parenting course doesn't mean you're not a good parent, it simply shows your desire to do the best for your child, BECAUSE WE ALL WANT THE BEST FOR OUR CHILDREN,

COURSE NAME: Parenting Children, Twyford
FOR PARENTS/CARERS of CHILDREN AGES: 0-10years
LENGTH of COURSE: 5 Weeks

START DATE: To be confirmed, possibly Monday mornings in January 2015

LOCATION: Twyford C of E School RUN BY: Alexandra Lee COST: Free

For further information please speak to Alexandra Lee. Email, <u>alexandraeh.smith@gmail.com</u>, or telephone 07971512075.



HOT LUNCHES

Chartwells will be having a Hot Dog day on 21st January 2015. Please order by Monday 11th January in the usual way. This would be a great day to try out the meals as the number of meals taken this day will dictate the Government's future funding of the scheme.

Menu's and order forms are available via the school website <u>www.twyfordschool.org.uk</u> or from the school office.

<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 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.

ADMISSION TO RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2016



STARTING SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME

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



PHONICS SUPPPORT SESSIONS

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



Application

deadline is 15 January

2016

MK DONS

MK Dons Football Club and the town of Aylesbury will be joining forces as *The Aylesbury Big Day* returns for the match against Reading on **Saturday 16th January**, **kick-off 3pm**. MK Dons are offering pupils of Twyford School a special ticket in recognition of the relationship between the town and MK Dons - children from Twyford School are eligible for the discounted ticket rate for this game of just £1 for under-18s & £12 for adults.

These prices are applicable to all students and staff of your school along with their respective friends and family.

How to book tickets - either call the MK Dons Box Office on 0333 200 5343 or visit stadiummk/centre:mk on Silbury Boulevard. Quote the school name and the password <u>AY16</u> in order to qualify for the discounted ticket offer. Tickets must be booked before 5pm on Friday 15th January.

Furthermore, if you don't want to worry about travel, why not use one of our designated coaches for the day? Coach travel will be only £5 per person to and from the stadium from the bus stop on Exchange Street, Aylesbury leaving at 1pm. Contact the Box Office for further information.

Schools booking more than 50 tickets will be eligible for a <u>FREE</u> MK Dons first-team player visit!





PTFA NEWS

- SAVE THE DATE!! Saturday 7th May 2016
 Twyford School PTFA May Ball at Poundon House
 More details to follow.
- Our next PTFA meeting is on Tuesday 12th January at 8pm at school. We will be discussing our fundraising activities for the Spring term. If you enjoy the challenge of helping to organise events please come along for a glass of wine. We would really welcome some new faces and new ideas. If you would like to be involved in the organising of the May Ball then please come along to this meeting, it would be great to see you or contact Katie Ellison at K3llisOn@hotmail.com or Katherine Rollason at ksrollason@hotmail.com.
- Thank you so much to all the mums that came and helped serve Christmas Lunch to all the children and staff last Friday. It was a great PTFA team effort and it looked like everyone really enjoyed it. Thank you!

MAY BALL



Twyford C of E School PTFA

MAY BALL



Saturday 7th May 2016 Poundon House, Poundon



NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 12th January, 8pm at school

CLASS REPS

Don't forget to have a chat with your Class Rep if you want to get more involved in the PTFA, have questions or want to help more at events but can't get to the monthly meetings.

Nursery - Katherine Rollason

Reception - Sarah Miller

Year 1 & 2 - Imogen Cyster and Katie Glass

Year 3 - Rachel Seago

Year 4 - Rachel Handford

Year 5 - Denise Wade

Year 6 - Katie Ellison

COFFEE MORNING

Thursday 14th January at 9am in the Staff Room

Please come along 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.



CLOTHES RECYCLING BIN

Are you having a New Yea clear out?

......then please don't forget to use the clothing bin 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 the PTFA and our chosen charity Starlight, which will help to brighten the lives of seriously and terminally ill children.

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

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



TERM DATES - 2013/16 and 2016/17				
	Open on the morning of:	Close at the end of the afternoon on:		
Spring Term 2016	Tuesday 5 th January 2016	Friday 12 th February 2016		
Spring Term 2016	Tuesday 23rd 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 21st July 2016		
Automa Taum 2016	Monday 5 th September 2016	Friday 21st October 2016		
Autumn Term 2016	Monday 31 st October 2016	Tuesday 20 th December 2016		
Spring Tour 2017	Thursday 5 th January 2017	Friday 10 th February 2017		
Spring Term 2017	Monday 20 th February 2017	Friday 31 st March 2017		
C T 2017	Tuesday 18 th April 2017	Friday 26 th May 2017		
Summer Term 2017	Monday 5th June 2017	Friday 21st July 2017		

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
Tuesday 12 th January		PTFA meeting, 8pm at school
Thursday 14th January	New	PTFA Coffee Morning 9-10am in the Staff Room
Friday 15 th January		Deadline for applications for Reception class 2016 places.
Thursday 21 st January		Chartwells Hot Dog Day
Tuesday 26 th January		Barnado's Assembly
Tuesday 2 nd February		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
Wednesday 23 rd March		Chartwells Easter Special menu
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		Reception class places are offered direct from Buckinghamshire
		County Council.
Wednesday 20 th April		Faith Tour, Years 5 and 6
Saturday 7 th May	New	PTFA Summer Ball
Monday 9th - Friday 13th May		Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Thursday 19 th May		Chartwells Italian Day Menu
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)
Monday 4 th July		Chartwells American Day menu
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	School re-opens after Summer Holiday
Friday 7th October	Individual School Photographs

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