Twyford C of E School





All of you are Christ's body and each one is a part of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27











Our value for this week is "Respect"

Dear Parents

As you know from previous communications, the Governors and I have been looking at Academisation for some time. This is following the Government's decision to encourage all schools to become academies by 2022. We have looked at various models and invited lead schools and Buckinghamshire County Council to put forward their proposals. After much due diligence we have decided to look more closely at the Oxford Diocese option which appears to support the ethos and values which are central to us at Twyford School. We are now in discussions about next steps and what this will look like for us.

There will be a consultation and a meeting for parents in the near future to explain and answer any questions you may have about Academisation. Please feel free to ask myself or any of the governors anything you feel unsure about in the meantime and we will try to answer. We will, of course, keep you updated with any developments as we move forward

We have a Paediatric First Aid course taking place at school on 3^{rd} and 4^{th} June. CDW First Aid Training are running the sessions and they are offering parents the opportunity to attend the course for £85.00 for the two day course. This is very competitive compared to other paediatric first aid courses which are normally over £150. If you are interested please let me know as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our annual Cream Tea next Friday. Hopefully the sun will shine and it will be a lovely afternoon for parents, grandparents, friends and family. Teas are served from 2.00pm onwards.

Parents often have to make difficult decisions about whether their child is well enough to come to school. Below is the NHS website address which is a really good site to look at if you are unsure: http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/Yourchildatschool/Pages/Illness.aspx

Don't forget our whole school trip to Warwick Castle next week. See overleaf for all the details.

Please note the change of date for the Key Stage 2 production. It is now on Wednesday 12^{th} and Thursday 13^{th} July at 7pm.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Judith Foster Headteacher

15h -A 68h



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REMINDER - WARWICK CASTLE



For our visit to Warwick Castle on Tuesday 23rd May.

- The coaches will be leaving school at 9.00am for the journey to Warwick and returning by 3.30pm.
 Please can you bring the children to school for 8.45am so we are ready to leave on time. Bus children may still come as usual on the bus.
- On the day of the trip please ensure your child wears full school uniform along with named sun hats and/or shower-proof clothing depending on the weather.
- Please ensure that suitable sun protection has been applied if it is to be a hot day.
- All children will need to bring a disposable packed lunch with two non-fizzy drinks. Please make sure lunches do not contain any nut products.
- If your child requires travel sickness medication
 please administer the first dose before school and
 if they require a dose for the return journey this
 should be placed in a named envelope and given to
 their class teacher on the morning of the trip.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

If you change your telephone number or no longer have the use of a previous contact telephone number would you please inform the school office as soon as possible after the change takes place.

If we need to get in touch with you it saves a lot of time if we have the correct number first time.



VISITORS IN SCHOOL

Would you please note that if you are visiting school at any time you should have your mobile phone switched off and preferably in a pocket or handbag whilst in the school. This is to ensure we adhere to safeguarding procedures put in place to ensure the safety of all the children.

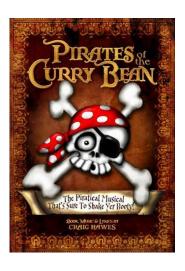
INSET DAY

Just to remind you that we have an INSET day on 5^{th} June 2017 so school will reopen on Tuesday 6^{th} June after the half term break.

KS2 END OF YEAR PRODUCTION

We are very excited to announce that this year's school production will be:

"PIRATES OF THE CURRY BEAN"



Anchors away and set sail for swashbuckling pirate adventure on the high seas in this piratical musical that's sure to shake your booty! Young twins Jack & Liza Periwinkle yearn for adventure, so imagine their joy at discovering a real life treasure map! But when the infamous Redbeard and his pungent Pirates of the Curry Bean steal the map and kidnap their mother, the race is on to rescue her, reclaim the map and find the treasure! Accompanied by their faithful cat Fiddlesticks, the twins join a mad admiral and his crazy crew on a voyage of adventure that takes them from Old London Docks to the mysterious island of Lumbago in the sea of Sciatica! Will they be first to find the treasure chest, or is a surprise awaiting them that's even better than gold? With colourful characters, sparkling songs and a witty script as sharp as a cutlass, this show is dripping with piratical style!

Performances on Wednesday 12th July and Thursday 13th July 7.00pm

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS

The Sainsbury's tokens have now finished so we have a few weeks to collect in all the tokens that you have collected.

There is a collection box in the school foyer for all your tokens.



Please check at home as once the deadline for sending them to Sainsbury's passes they won't accept any extra ones.

So far we have 1605 vouchers.



REMINDER - YEAR 5 SCIENCE FAIR



On Wednesday 24th May 2017, Year 5 will be attending the Science Fair at the Royal Latin School, Buckingham.

All the children will need to meet at the Royal Latin School for 08:50am promptly with a 9am start. Mr Walker will meet the children in the area near the bus bays on the Chandos Road entrance to the school.

The Science Fair will finish at 11:40am and again collection is from the bus bays.

The children should wear casual clothing and take an old shirt/top as some activities can get messy!

They can take their named water bottles and a piece of fruit with them.

Please could the children take their school uniform and lunch in a bag with them to have back at Twyford. You may prefer to drop the uniform and lunch off at school first thing in the morning.



Outdoor learning dates for the Summer 2017 term are:				
24/05/17	Reception	Cooking/Gardening		
07/06/17	Year 1 & 2	Cooking/Gardening		
14/06/17	Year 3 & 4	Cooking/Gardening		
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!		
12/07/17	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6	Nature Walk		
19/07/17	All Years	Camp Out Day		

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.

NURSERY CLASS - 30 HOUR FUNDING OFFER

From September 2017 the Government are introducing 30 hours of free childcare to working parents. The additional 15 hours is available for families where both parents are working (or the sole parent is working in a lone-parent family), and meet certain criteria related to the hours of work and income.

The Department for Education eligibility checking tool https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk can be used to check your entitlement to the additional funding. You can check now but will need to recheck during August to enable you to access the extra funding in September 2017. Once you have checked your eligibility you will be issued with a **code** which you will need to pass onto us so we can claim the funding on your behalf.

If you would like to discuss your entitlement please contact the school office.

WEMBLEY ARENA CONCERT



Following on from the success of the Echoes 7 concert at the Royal Albert Hall, we are planning to do a similar activity

at Wembley Arena next year. The concert takes place in Spring 2018 and we would appreciate you indicating your interest in the event by completing the slip at the back of the newsletter or emailing your interest to the school email office@twyford.bucks.sch.uk. The concert will be for Key Stage 2 children in current year 2, 3, 4 or 5.

SUNDAY AT 4

The Swan Group of Churches' Sunday at 4 is for school aged children up to 11 years. We meet monthly at 4pm until 5.30pm for fun, games, Bible stories, craft activities, music, prayer and refreshments

Dates and venues for 2017

11 June Twyford Village Hall

9 July Marsh Gibbon Village Hall

17 September Charndon Community Centre

8 October Twyford Village Hall

26 November Grendon Underwood Village Hall

Come and join us!

Further details from Revd David Hiscock 01869 277297 or Revd Angela Mann 01296 771100



BROWNIES



There are currently spaces at Marsh Gibbon 1st Brownies Unit which meets on Mondays at 5-6.30pm in the Village Hall. If your daughter is aged 7-10years then why not pop along on Monday 15th May when we are next at the Hall. Activities include craft, cooking, walks, scavenger hunts; star gazing, swimming, performing shows, playing games..... to name but a few, and it's a great way to make new friends. Please feel free to contact Rachel Dewhurst on 07717 724023 or Kath Pullen on 07449 976908 if you have any questions.

SPANISH CLUB



Paul Stewart, who is one of our school governors, has offered to run a Spanish Club during lunchtimes on a Friday. The club is open to children in years 5 and 6. The children will still get the opportunity to have some time outside during the lunchbreak.

Please complete the slip below if you would like your child to take part.

The club will start on Friday 2^{nd} June and the last session will be on Friday 7^{th} July. Places will be offered on a first come, first served basis, the permission slip at the end of the newsletter <u>must</u> be returned ASAP to secure a place.





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.



If you need to cancel your child's lunches due to illness or would like to discuss allergen information or anything else related to the hot meal service please call Chartwells Customer Care Line on 01908 615705. In the case of a child's absence, a credit note is issued from the second day of absence.



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 13th June 2017, 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.

CREAM TEA FRIDAY 26th MAY 2017



Hopefully the sun will shine for our annual Cream Tea next Friday! You are very welcome to bring family, friends and neighbours. A Cream Tea is £2.50 with a free refill of tea or coffee. We will also have juice for the children and cakes available for those who are not so keen on scones.

There will also be a cake stall so that you can take a cake home for family members that couldn't come along.

Please join us to celebrate the beginning of the half term holidays with a Cream Tea!

SUMMER SIZZLER FRIDAY 23rd JUNE 2017 6-8pm



The Summer Sizzler is our biggest fundraiser of the year and a fun family event to come along to. The theme of our sizzler this year is Winnie the Pooh. We are currently planning the event, but needless to say, there will be lots of games and family fun, all with a Winnie the Pooh theme!

This year tickers will only be available in advance and will go on sale 3 weeks before the event. Tickets will be prices at £4 for adults and £2.50 for children. We will be asking for people to help with food, setting up and clearing away. Please consider helping, as all our children benefit, but often only a few families help.

SUMMER SIZZLER - FILL A JAR MUFTI DAY



The children can wear their own clothes to school on Friday 16th June if they each bring in a filled jam jar. Old jam jars can be used and they can be filled with anything new that is suitable for children, sweets, hair accessories, small cars, bouncy balls, crayons, novelty erasers..... The filled jars will then be sold a honey pots on the children's tombola stall at the Summer Sizzler.

COFFEE MORNING

We are holding a coffee morning on Friday 16th June in the staffroom between 9am and 10am. Everyone is welcome to come along for a cup of tea or coffee and a piece of cake. There will be toys to entertain preschool children. Please come along to support your PTFA.



THE GIVING MACHINE

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

STARLIGHT CLOTHING BINS

Thank you to everyone who has put old clothing into the bins at <u>Twyford Village Stores</u> and <u>Calvert Green Mace</u>. **Please do not put old duvets and pillows in the bins**. Starlight will brighten the lives of over 500,000 seriously and terminally ill children this year by granting their wishes and by providing entertainment in hospitals and hospices throughout the UK. Your much appreciated contribution and support will help Starlight bring happy memories into the lives of these seriously ill children and their families.

Please let your friends and neighbours know that the bins are there and that they support both the school and Starlight charity.

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

We have got plenty of activities coming up later in the year:

Refreshments at Sports Day
School Disco - date in the Autumn Term tbc.

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.



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School Diary



Thursday, 18 May 2017

TERM DATES - 2016/17 - 2017/18

	Tuesday 18 th April 2017	Friday 26 th May 2017
Summer Term 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
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Spring Term 2018	Monday 19 th February 2018	Thursday 29 th March 2018
Summan Tanin 2019	Monday 16 th April 2018	Friday 25 th May 2018
Summer Term 2018	Monday 4 th June 2018	Tuesday 24th July 2018

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
Friday 19 th May		Newsletter published
Friday 19 th May		KS2 Swimming Lesson
Friday 19 th May		Year 5 Sports Tournament at Twyford
Friday 19 th May		Year 6 Sports Tournament at Padbury
Tuesday 23 rd May		Whole School visit to Warwick Castle
Tuesday 23 rd May		No Premier Sports Club
Wednesday 24th May		Outdoor Learning - Reception
Wednesday 24th May		Year 5 Science Fair at Royal Latin School
Thursday 25 th May		Visitor from Roald Dahl Museum to see Year 5 and 6
Friday 26 th May		School closes for Half Term
Friday 26 th May		PTFA Cream Tea 2pm
Friday 26 th May		KS2 Swimming Lesson
Friday 26 th May		No Premier Sports Club
Monday 5 th June		INSET Day
Tuesday 6 th June		School re-opens after Half Term
Wednesday 7 th June		Outdoor Learning - Year 1 and 2
Thursday 8 th June		Class Photographs
Friday 9 th June		Newsletter published
Friday 9th June		KS2 Swimming Lesson
Friday 9th June		KS1 and Upper KS2 Tennis Coaching
Monday 12 th June	Change	Transition Team from Buckingham School to see children from Year 6
Wednesday 14 th June		Outdoor Learning - Year 3 and 4
Wednesday 14 th June	New	Transfer Test meeting for Year 5 Parents 7pm
Friday 16 th June		KS2 Swimming Lesson
Friday 16 th June	New	Mufti Day for PTFA Fill A Jar
Friday 16 th June		KS1 and Upper KS2 Tennis Coaching
Friday 16 th June	New	PTFA Coffee Morning 9am -10am in the Staff Room
Wednesday 21 st June		Year 6 attending Science Big Bang Conference
Wednesday 21 st June		Outdoor Learning - Reception
Wednesday 21st June		NSPCC Assembly



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Thursday 29 th June Nursery and Reception Grandpare	ents Afternoon 1.30pm - 3.00pm
Friday 30 th June KS2 Swimming Lesson	
Friday 30 th June KS1 and Upper KS2 Tennis Coach	ing
Monday 3 rd July KS2 Production Dress Rehearsal	_
Tuesday 4 th July County Induction Day	
Tuesday 4 th July New Nursery Induction morning	
Tuesday 4 th July Meeting for September 2017 Rec	ception Class Parents 7pm
Wednesday 5 th July Reception class - School Nurse vi	ision checks
Wednesday 5 th July New Nursery Induction morning	
Friday 7 th July Newsletter published	
Friday 7 th July KS2 Swimming Lesson	
Friday 7 th July KS1 and Upper KS2 Tennis Coach	ing
Tuesday 11 th July Sports Day and Picnic	-
Wednesday 12 th July Outdoor Learning - Year 3, 4, 5 a	and 6
Wednesday 12 th July Change KS2 Production 7pm - Pirates of	the Curry Bean
Thursday 13 th July Change KS2 Production 7pm - Pirates of	the Curry Bean
Friday 14 th July Camp Out Day	
Monday 17 th July Celebration Assembly at St. Mary	y'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	
Wednesday 19 th July Year 3 & 4 Visit to Roald Dahl Mu	useum
Friday 21st July School closes for Summer Holida	y 1.30pm
Wednesday 6 th September School re-opens after Summer H	lolidays
Friday 8 th September Newsletter published	
Tuesday 12 th September Transfer Testing - Preparation T	ests
Thursday 14th September Transfer Testing - Te	ts
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 R	esults
Friday 20 th October Newsletter published	
Friday 3 rd November Newsletter published	

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MENU FOR SUMMER TERM 2017

Order forms are available from the school office or via the website www.twyfordschool.org.uk



