

Twyford C of E School



Encouraging
Excellence

Developing
Confidence

Inspiring
All



Jesus said "I have
explained the secrets of
the Kingdom of
Heaven to you"
Matthew 13.11



Our value for
this week is
"Hope"

Dear Parents,

Firstly may I thank Steve Elcock, Charlie Wood and James Handford for clearing the school car park and paths on Sunday. They did an amazing job which made it possible for us to open on Tuesday. The amount of snow took us by surprise, as usual, and it would not have been safe to open on Monday morning. We do take this decision very seriously as it is difficult for parents if they have to go to work, but if it is not safe for staff and parents to drive to school we have to remain closed. Thank you for your understanding and I hope everyone took the opportunity to enjoy the snow. I loved seeing the pictures you sent in. Thank you also to Simon for salting the playground later on in the week so we could get out to play.

The Nativity was just beautiful. The children obviously enjoyed performing it with such lovely songs and fun script. Their costumes were brilliant, the owl and the cockerel were particular favourites! There were definitely some budding actors and singers there. Thank you for helping your child to learn their lines and no doubt listening to the songs since November! Thank you to Miss Hanson and all the staff for working so hard to put on a wonderful Nativity.

Next term Mr Walker is beginning a very exciting project with our KS2 children. The Primary Engineer Leadership Programme runs for one term and children design a project which will help or make life easier for someone. If you are in KS2 you will already have received a letter explaining a little more about it. We are looking for a parent or a grandparent with an engineering background who may be able to come and talk to the children and even support them in their learning. If you are able to be part of this please come in and speak to Mr Walker to find out more.

Just to update you on academisation, the date that we may change to academy status is May 1st 2018. This is still under review as we continue to look at the finances etc and ensure everything is in place.

May I just remind parents that they must not put photos on social media which include other people's children. Many parents do not use or like social media and would not put their children's pictures up on it. We must respect this and therefore if you have done so, please ensure they are removed. The last thing I want to do is ban parents taking pictures of their children at school events.

We had the most delicious Christmas lunch on Monday cooked by the PTFA. Sarah, Lisa, Katherine and Imogen organised a troop of parents to prepare, cook, serve and clear the most amazing lunch. It is such a lovely tradition and so special that we all sit down together to eat a Christmas lunch. Thank you so much to all the parents who helped in any way at all.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful holiday. Enjoy yourselves and we will see you all back on Thursday 4th January.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Judith Foster
Headteacher

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS SEPT 2018

This is a reminder that online applications for Reception Class places for September 2018 must be made no later than **3pm on 15 January 2018**.

Information about applying for your child's Reception class place for September 2018 is available on the Buckinghamshire County Council's website www.buckscc.gov.uk. The Christmas Holiday might be an ideal time to make the application, try not to leave it until the last minute.

The important dates for the process are as follows:

DEADLINE!

12 Jan 2018 This is the latest date for returning a paper application to your child's current infant school if you are making an application to transfer to junior school.

DEADLINE!

15 Jan 2018 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!

29 Jan 2018 The latest date for moving into or within Buckinghamshire (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).

16 Apr 2018 If you applied online you can login to see which school we have offered your child. You will also get an email.



STARTING SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME

Application deadline is 3pm 15 January 2018

WAS YOUR CHILD BORN BETWEEN 1 SEPTEMBER 2013 AND 31 AUGUST 2014?

If yes, Buckinghamshire parents can apply online for a school place from 6 November 2017. 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

PREMIER SPORTS



What's on at Twyford with Premier

Day	Sport	Time	Price	Ages
Tuesday	Multi-Sports	3:15pm-4:15pm	£45.00	Open to Y1-4
Friday	*Football	3:15pm-4:30pm	£45.00	Open to Y1-6
Friday	Musical Theatre	3:15pm-4:15pm	£45.00	Open to Y1-6

*The football club will be split into 2 groups, KS1 & KS2

Clubs will start week beginning 15th January, and will finish week beginning 26th March (10 sessions).

To book your child's place follow these simple steps!

1. Visit www.premier-education.com
2. Click 'Enroll your child' and then search the school name.
3. Click 'Book Now' on the appropriate course and complete your details
4. Once booked, email confirmation will be automatically sent through.

Unsure if your child will enjoy it? Select the 'Flexi-booking' option when booking for your child to trial the club. A refund will be available if you do not want to attend the remainder of the term.

Premier, Wendover, Buckinghamshire, HP22 6HF
01296 620 097 - nhutt@premier-education.com - www.premier-education.com

Please note Football Club will start on Friday 12th January.



Outdoor learning is now over for this term. The first half-term dates for the Spring term are below and all the term's dates are now included in the dates at the end of the Newsletter. Don't forget to ensure that 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.

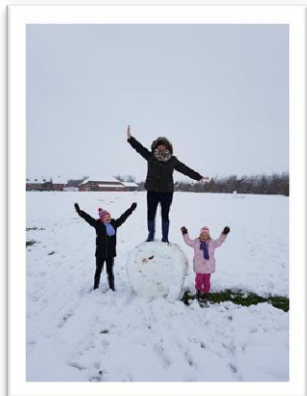
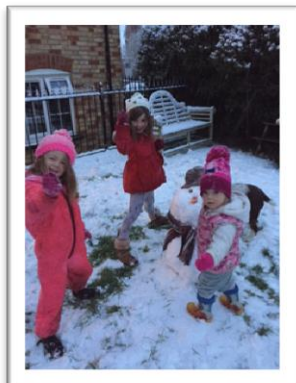
10/01/18	Reception	Snow/Clay Art
17/01/18	Year 1 & 2	Snow/Clay Art
24/01/18	Year 3 & 4	Snow/Clay Art
31/01/18	Year 5 & 6	Snow/Clay Art
07/02/18	Reception	Visit to the Woods

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Everyone looked very festive in their Christmas jumpers on Friday. Thank you for all the donations for Save the Children. We managed to raise a fantastic £78.40 for the charity.

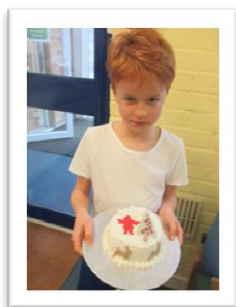
SNOW DAY

Thank you for the photos some of you sent in of you having fun in the snow on Monday. Here are a few photos of, Honor and Isla, Rowan and Finlay, Herbie, Grace and Ava with their snowmen.



COOKERY CLUB

Hattie, Ryan, Adam, Josie, Codie and Theo have all been busy over the last couple of weeks and getting all festive by baking and decorating their Christmas Cakes. Here are their amazing results.



EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE

In the rare event of the school having to close unexpectedly in an emergency, we will use the **text messaging** service to inform you. In the event of severe weather, information may also be given out on MIX '96, the local radio station and the Buckinghamshire County Council website. The quickest way to find the Buckinghamshire County Council information is to Google, "School Closures Bucks" to go straight to the page.

If you change your phone number please let us know.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

We try to keep the website updated with all the school news, such as visits, event dates, achievements and more recently we have been posting all the photos and videos we have received for the 50 Super Science Things Challenge. There are also some photos of the Nativity added at the end of last week. If you have the time, take a look. www.twyfordschool.org.uk

KEEPING SAFE ONLINE

It is all too easy to get carried away with the new technology we may give our children at this time of year. However, there are potential risks we put our children at when we give them smart toys. Below are two links you may wish to look at to ensure your child is kept safe online with many of the connected toys they may receive this Christmas.

<https://iconewsblog.org.uk/2017/11/23/the-12-ways-that-christmas-shoppers-can-keep-children-and-data-safe-when-buying-smart-toys-and-devices/>

<https://www.which.co.uk/news/2017/11/safety-alert-see-how-easy-it-is-for-almost-anyone-to-hack-your-childs-connected-toys/>

50 SUPER SCIENCE THINGS TO DO BEFORE YOU'RE 11 $\frac{3}{4}$

50 Super Science Things To Do Before You're 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ is the exciting challenge for our Twyford pupils. You will hopefully have received in book bags the booklet filled with 50 fun science activities for your children to complete. If you haven't received it there is a copy available on the school website under Curriculum/Science. Alternatively, ask at the school office for a copy. Why not try some of the challenges during the holiday period.

STAMP COLLECTING

Donate your foreign and British stamps to RNIB

Every day another 100 people will start to lose their sight.

Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB) is the leading sight loss charity offering information, support and advice to anyone with a sight problem. We also campaign to eliminate avoidable sight loss and support research into sight loss and eye health issues.

We can raise money from British and overseas new and used stamps. We also collect first day covers, presentation packs and albums.

Please leave approximately 1cm of envelope around each stamp and send them to:



There are collecting boxes in the school foyer, Twyford Village Stores and the Mace Village Shop at Calvert Green.

LOST PROPERTY

There is a Lost Property box in the school foyer if you are looking for any missing items. This week we have:

- An elephant charm
- Various hair slides
- A cake tin
- A black pair of socks with stud detail
- A grey ribbed sock
- A green pair of size 11 wellies
- 2 school cardigans
- A school sweatshirt
- Pair of grey gloves
- and a pool ball keyring

Please come and claim them if they are yours. **If they aren't claimed by Christmas they will be disposed of.**

PARKING

Please can you think about how and where you park around the school and surrounding houses. Please do not park in front of the school pedestrian gate, opposite the zig zag lines, or block any driveway or drive into the school.



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 Tuesday 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.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Twyford
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School



BREAKFAST CLUB

Open from 7.45am until
the start of school,
every day.

£3.00 per session from
7.45am

or

£2.50 per session from
8am

Premier Sports on a
Tuesday morning.

Fun games and
activities.

Our Breakfast Club is open each morning during term time between 7.45am and the start of school.

The club is open to all children, including Nursery.

The children can have a healthy breakfast and are supervised with activities until the school begins.

Parents may choose to use Breakfast Club on a daily basis or on a specified day(s) each week. Children can be accommodated on a 'one-off' occasion, subject to availability.

The charge for Breakfast Club is £3.00 per session from 7.45am or £2.50 per session from 8.00am.

Please contact the School Office to book your child's place.

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We 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 email communication from us then please email ksrollason@hotmail.com and you will be included on the distribution list

PTFA MEETING TUES 16th JANUARY

The next PTFA Meeting will be on Tuesday 16th January at 8.00pm at school. Please come along if you would like to get involved with fundraising for your child's school. We are currently planning events for the Spring Term. We always need help, so any offers are greatly received.

MY NAME LABEL



If you haven't yet labelled your child's new school uniform you might want to think about ordering some name labels to make the job easier. The PTFA receive a commission on every order so by purchasing you will also support the PTFA. You can order online at www.mynamelabel.co.uk quoting fundraising code fe23f831

THE GIVING MACHINE

Thank you to everyone who has recently joined The Giving Machine, Already in December we have raised £23.86. If you still haven't joined up, then please do as it is an easy way for us to earn money for school. Don't forget if you start looking at holidays for 2018, lots of holiday companies are registered with The Giving Machine. 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 Twyford Village Stores and Calvert Green Mace. **Please do not put old duvets and pillows in the bins.** Please let your friends and neighbours know that the bins are there and that they support both the school and Starlight charity.

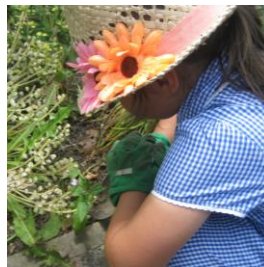
PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CLOTHING BIN AT TWYFORD VILLAGE STORES HAS MOVED TO THE VERY BACK OF THE CAR PARK.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH - Thank you



Thank you to everyone which helped with the Christmas Dinner. Whether you set up, decorated, served, made cakes, donated food, cleared away or washed up your time and effort was much appreciated. Everyone had a wonderful time - so thank you and a very Merry Christmas!

Look out for details of our Spring activities for children and adults...



TERM DATES - 2017/18

Autumn Term 2017	Wednesday 6 th September 2017	Friday 20 th October 2017
	Tuesday 31 st 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

Autumn Term 2018	Thursday 6 th September 2018	Friday 19 th October 2018
	Monday 29 th October 2018	Wednesday 19 th December 2017
Spring Term 2019	Thursday 3 rd January 2019	Friday 15 th February 2019
	Monday 25 th February 2019	Friday 5 th April 2019
Summer Term 2019	Wednesday 24 th April 2019	Friday 24 th May 2019
	Monday 3 rd June 2019	Wednesday 24 th July 2019

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 19 th December		School breaks up for Christmas Holiday 1.30pm
Wednesday 3 rd January 2018		Inset Day
Thursday 4 th January		School re-opens after Christmas Holiday
Wednesday 10 th January		Reception Outdoor Learning
Friday 12 th January		Premier Sports Football Club starts
Monday 15 th January		Other Premier Sports Clubs start
Wednesday 17 th January		Yrs 1 & 2 Outdoor Learning
Thursday 18 th January		Chartwells New Year Celebration Lunch
Wednesday 24 th January		Team from Yr 5 Badminton Tournament
Wednesday 24 th January		Yrs 3 & 4 Outdoor Learning
Tuesday 30 th January		Years 5 & 6 Multi Faith Tour Milton Keynes
Wednesday 31 st January		Yrs 5 & 6 Outdoor Learning
Friday 2 nd February	New	Yrs 5 & 6 Inter School Sports Tournament
Friday 2 nd February	New	PTFA DVD Night
Wednesday 7 th February		Reception Outdoor Learning
Friday 9 th February		School breaks up for Half Term
Monday 19 th February		School reopens after Half Term
Wednesday 21 st February		Yrs 1 & 2 Outdoor Learning
Wednesday 28 th February		Yrs 3 & 4 Outdoor Learning
Friday 2 nd March		Yrs 5 & 6 Inter-school Sports Tournament
Tuesday 6 th March		Parents Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Thursday 7 th March		Yrs 5 & 6 Outdoor Learning
Thursday 8 th March		Parents Evening 6pm - 8pm
Mon 12 th March - Fri 16 th March		Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip - Fairthorne Manor
Wednesday 14 th March		Reception Outdoor Learning
Tuesday 20 th March		Chartwells Easter Celebration Lunch
Wednesday 21 st March		Yrs 1 & 2 Outdoor Learning
Monday 26 th March		Easter Workshop for Year 3 and 4 with Rev. Hiscock
Wednesday 28 th March		Yrs 3 & 4 Outdoor Learning

Thursday 29 th March		Easter Service at St. Mary's, Twyford, 9.30am
Thursday 29 th March		School breaks for Easter Holiday
Monday 16 th April		Inset Day
Tuesday 17 th April		School re-opens after Easter Holiday
Wednesday 25 th April		Team from Years 1 & 2 for Athletics Waddesdon 3.30-5.00pm
Friday 11 th May		Yrs 3 & 4 Inter-school Sports Tournament
Monday 14 th May - Friday 18 th May		SAT's Week
Wednesday 16 th May		Team from Yrs 5 & 6 Rounders Tournament Waddesdon
Friday 25 th May		School breaks up for Half Term
Monday 4 th June		School re-opens after Half Term
Monday 11 th June		Year 6 Games at Waddesdon
Friday 22 nd June		Yrs 5 & 6 Inter-school Sports Tournament
Thursday 28 th June		Years 1 & 2 Small Schools Festival 9-2pm
Tuesday 3 rd July		Transition Day
Wednesday 4 th July		Transition Day Secondary
Tuesday 10 th July		Sports Day
Monday 16 th July		Open Evening 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Friday 20 th July		Camp Out Day
Monday 23 rd July		Celebration Assembly 2pm
Tuesday 24 th July		School breaks up for Summer Holiday 1pm
Thursday 6 th September 2018		School re-opens after Summer Holiday

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Week one

02/01 22/01 12/02 05/03 26/03

Monday

Choose a main meal...
*Pepperoni Pizza on a Wholemeal Base with Diced Potatoes
Plain Omelette with Diced Potatoes
Jacket Potato with a choice of Spaghetti Hoops & Cheese or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Chocolate & Mandarin Sponge with Custard
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Tuesday

Choose a main meal...
Chicken Korma with Rice
Cheese & Tomato Pizza on a Wholemeal Base
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Jammy Flapjack
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Wednesday

Choose a main meal...
Roast Turkey with Mashed Potato & Gravy
Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potato & Gravy
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Iced Marble Cake
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Thursday

Choose a main meal...
*Beef Lasagne with a Garlic Roll
Macaroni Cheese with a Garlic Roll
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans, Tuna & Salmon Mayo or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Apple Crumble & Custard
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Friday

Choose a main meal...
Fish Fingers with Oven Chips
Chickpea & Butternut Squash Curry with Oven Chips
Jacket Potato with a choice of Spaghetti Hoops & Cheese or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Yoghurt
Fresh Fruit

Week two

08/01 29/01 19/02 12/03

Choose a main meal...
*Pork & Beef Sausages with Mashed Potato
Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potato
Jacket Potato with a choice of Spaghetti Hoops & Cheese or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Date & Treacle Sponge with Custard
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Choose a main meal...
Chicken & Sweetcorn Hotpot
Cheese & Tomato Pizza on a Wholemeal Base
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Yoghurt
Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...
Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy
Vegetarian Mince Pie with Roast Potatoes
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Pineapple Sponge
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Choose a main meal...
*Beef Bolognese with Pasta
Vegetarian Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans, Tuna & Salmon Mayo or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Pancake with Mandarin Segments
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Choose a main meal...
Fish Cake with Diced Potatoes
Baked Bean Lasagne with Diced Potatoes
Jacket Potato with a choice of Spaghetti Hoops & Cheese or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Lemon Drizzle Cake
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Week three

15/01 05/02 26/02 19/03

Choose a main meal...
Cheese & Tomato Pizza on a Wholemeal Base
Omelette with Jacket Wedges
Jacket Potato with a choice of Spaghetti Hoops & Cheese or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Chocolate Fruity Sponge & Custard
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Choose a main meal...
*Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Rice
Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Sticky Toffee Sponge
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Choose a main meal...
*Pork Loin with New Potatoes & Gravy
Vegetable Hot Pot
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Lemon Crunch Cookie
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Choose a main meal...
*Minced Beef & Dumplings
Cheese & Tomato Pizza on a Wholemeal Base
Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans, Tuna & Salmon Mayo or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Mixed Fruit Crumble with Custard
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Choose a main meal...
Fish Fingers with Diced Potatoes
Vegetarian Cowboy Stew with Diced Potatoes
Jacket Potato with a choice of Spaghetti Hoops & Cheese or Grated Cheese

on the side...
Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...
Yoghurt
Fresh Fruit

Our chicken and milk are Red Tractor approved

WE BUY 95% of our seasonal vegetables direct from British growers

FRESH SALAD IS AVAILABLE ON A DAILY BASIS

REDUCING OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT OVER 30% of our products are transported by vehicles that run on biodiesel!

WINTER 2018 MENU BUOYS, NORTHAMPTON, BEES, MILTON KEYNES
THEME DAYS - WORLD NEW YEAR - 18th January & EASTER 20th March
If your child receives or needs a special diet or allergen menu, please speak to your catering manager or contact us

WE SUPPORT 82 BRITISH DAIRY FARMS

We only use Lion Quality British Eggs

FARM TO FORK We can trace every cut of meat back to the farms of origin

ALL OUR BREAD IS FRESHLY BAKED EVERY DAY

All our bananas are FAIRTRADE