Twyford C of E School





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Christ himself carries our sins in his body to the cross so that we might die to sin & live for righteousness. Peter 2:24



Our value for this week is "Truth"

Dear Parents,

World Book Day was a wonderful day of celebrating books and reading. I loved the potato characters, they were so creative and imaginative. We had everything from Harry Potter to Mr Men, they were brilliant. The winners were announced in Collective Worship on Wednesday and they were Jack H, Honor, Kori, Edward, Rose, Dan, Jacob and Tristan. Well done to all of you. Photos of the winning potatoes have been posted on the school website.

It was wonderful walking around school last Monday and Tuesday listening to children reciting poetry. From the oldest to the youngest, all have had a go at performing their poems. The children who have been selected to go forward to perform their poems to a panel of judges, on Thursday 22nd March are; Honor, Emily, Josie, Theo, Louisa, Charlie, Gethin, Harry, Erin, Hattie, Kim, George, Hannah and Matthew. Keep practising!

Apologies for the disruption last Friday with the snow. Having driven home on the Thursday night in horrendous conditions and knowing that staff would not be able to get in on Friday, we decided it would be best if we closed in advance to allow you to make suitable arrangements. We never take this decision lightly but the safety of everyone has to be a priority.

I need to update you on the status of our joining the MAT (Multi Academy Trust). At present it is on hold whilst we ensure that is it definitely the best thing for our school and our children. Financially as well as academically, this has to be a decision which will benefit our children. At present we will not be making a decision until at least the summer allowing the new head teacher to gain an understanding of what everything entails. The governors will then review the situation and make the final decision in the Autumn term.

The winners of the PTFA Matchbox Challenge were Charlotte B, Sofia, Sam S and Oliver W for the highest number of objects and Molly, Chloe W, Hannah, Dylan for the best decorated. Again truly imaginative and creative boxes both in their design and the contents that filled them. Take a look at the winners on the website. The highest number of objects in the box was Oliver with 150! If you have not brought in your sponsor money then please do as soon as possible so the PTFA can work out the final amount. Thank you.



Year 5 & 6 girls visited the Wycombe Wonderers Matrix Centre to take part in a maths inspiration day last Wednesday. The girls took part in various maths based activites, which tested their mental maths skills and Imogen has written a summary of their amazing day which can be found on the school website.

The Year 3&4 Sports Tournament has been postponed from the snow day to Friday 23rd March.

The PTFA does an amazing job throughout the year at organising and carrying out events and activities to raise money for all our children to be able to have those extras that the increasing depleted budget can't stretch to. The committee will largely be stepping down in September and will therefore need new parents to come forward to help run it. Please think, if you could support in any way, about coming forward to take a role. It works best when a few like minded people work together to share the load. It is fun to do and there are always lots of people who are happy to help, it just needs a core group to co-ordinate it. If you are interested please speak to me or one of the present committee. It would be very sad it no one comes forward to take over as it enhances the children's experiences and it makes a community in itself through the events.

Hazard Alley, The Safety Centre in Milton Keynes, visited Years 3 & 4 on Monday. The children learnt about staying safe online, something which is of increasing concern for youngsters and their parents. I hope you had the opportunity to talk to the children about what they learnt. Do take the time to find out what your children are seeing and doing online all the time, it is everyone's duty to ensure they remain safe and do not see inappropriate content when on the computer or phone.

KS2 have had several engineers visiting them over the last few weeks, inspiring them to create and become engineers themselves. They are now working on their own designs to create something on paper we may see in the future.

I know Years 5 & 6 are looking forward to their residential next week. I am sure they will have a great time and I look forward to hearing all about it on their return. Parents will be kept up to date with texts throughout the week.

Yours sincerely

Judith Foster Headteacher



50 SUPER SCIENCE THINGS TO DO BEFORE YOU'RE 11¾



Congratulations to Sienna for completing her 10 Super Science Activities and receiving her certificate. The Super Science section of the website is looking great with all the photos and videos we have received showing children doing their experiments. Ιf children haven't tried to do any of them yet, why don't

you take a look at the website together to get inspired! Most of them are very easy to do using everyday items you might have in the house. There is a copy of the booklet with all the activities in available to download from the school website under Curriculum/Science. Alternatively, ask at the school office for a copy.



Dates for this term's and next term's Outdoor Learning sessions are listed below. 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.

14/03/18	Reception	Scavenger Hunt
21/03/18	Year 1 & 2	Scavenger Hunt
28/03/18	Year 3 & 4	Scavenger Hunt
18/4/18	Year 5 & 6	Cooking Pizza
25/4/18	Reception	Cooking Pizza
2/5/18	Year 1 & 2	Cooking Pizza
9/5/18	Year 3 & 4	Cooking Pizza
16/5/18	Year 5 & 6	Cooking Pizza

NEWSLETTER SURVEY



Thank you to all those who have already completed our Newsletter Survey. If you haven't completed

it, we would really appreciate it if you could take the time to do so by Friday 16th March. Please use the following link: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PZVW2SW

EASTER SERVICE



Please come along to our Easter Service on the last day of term at 9.30am. It would be lovely to see as many of you there as possible.

NURSERY PLACES

If you have a younger child who isn't yet registered for a place in our Nursery class please contact the school office for a registration form. We can offer up to 30 hours of Early Years education each Play.

week.



To discuss funding session availability please Julie in the contact School Office.

SPANISH CLUB



Just a reminder for all the Spanish Club children, there will be no club next Wednesday 14th March.

HOT LUNCHES

Chartwells. our hot lunch suppliers, have now informed us that the cost of a lunch will now be increasing at the start of next term rather than after half-term. The new price will be £2.40 per meal.

You should have all received the new Hot Lunch Order for next half-term in book bags, along with a copy of the menu. A copy is also available to download from the school website. Please return orders by 9am on Tuesday for the following week. If possible please order for the whole half term.





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. This price will increase next term to £2.40.

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.

STAMP COLLECTING



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

PAYMENTS

Please could you ensure that any payment made to school, cash or cheque, is brought into school in a named envelope. All cheques to school should be made



payable to Buckinghamshire County Council.

BREAKFAST CLUB

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

£3.00 per session from 7.45am

£2.50 per session from 8am

Premier Sports on a Tuesday morning.

Fun games and activities.

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BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast Club is open each morning during term time between 7.45am and the

The club is open to all children, including

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 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.









Buckinghamshire Railway Centre: New Annual Local Pass only £32!

We are now offering our local pass to families who live within 8 miles of us as the crow flies, which includes the village your school is in! It is just £32 for a family of 6 (2 adults + 4 children) for the whole year. Enjoy free entry on any day so long as we are open; come for an hour or spend the the whole day! The pass doesn't include our Thomas events, but it does include every other day that we are open - including special events. Please visit: www.bucksrailcentre.org, call 01297 655729 or email: marketing@bucksrailcentre.org for more information (including to check if you are within the 8 mile radius) and an application form.







We have lots of exciting activities planned for the remainder of the school year. If you would like to get more involved in organising or helping with events, then please come along to the next meeting Tuesday 24th April at 8.00pm in the Staff Room at School.

Thank you to the families who entered the Matchbox Challenge. We had nearly 40 entries and have raised more than £500!

Congratulations to all the winners:

Highest Number of Items in the Matchbox	Best Decorated Matchbox
Oliver W - 150 items	Molly C
Charlotte B - 108 items	Chloe W
Sam S - 60 items	Hannah K
Sofia - 100 items	Dylan K

Dates for your diary:

Comedy Night - Friday 16th March - tickets are £12.50 each and are on sale now! They are selling quickly so don't delay if you want to come along. The bar opens at 7.30 pm and the comedy starts at 8pm. There will be at least 3 comedians plus an MC, so it should be a fantastic night. Donations of raffle prizes would be gratefully received!

PTFA Meeting - Tuesday 24th April - Please come along to the meeting and support your hard working PTFA. 8.00pm at school.

Easter Egg Hunt - Friday 23rd March 3.15pm - As usual we will be asking for donations of small wrapped eggs (no nuts). Younger siblings welcome. Entrance £1 per child.

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. 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 is now

located at the very back of the car park.

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

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.

Thank you.

Katherine and Imogen



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School Diary



Friday, 09 March 2018

TERM DATES - 2017/18

Autumn Term 2017	Wednesday 6 th September 2017	Friday 20 th October 2017
	Tuesday 31st 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	Tuesday 17th April 2018	Friday 25 th May 2018
	Monday 4 th June 2018	Tuesday 24 th July 2018
	Thursday 6 th September 2018	Friday 19 th October 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		
Mon 12 th March - Fri 16 th March		Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip - Fairthorne Manor
Friday 16 th March		PTFA Comedy Night 7.30pm
Wednesday 14 th March		Reception Outdoor Learning
Tuesday 20 th March		Chartwells Easter Celebration Lunch
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Wednesday 21st March	New	Yrs 1 & 2 Outdoor Learning
Friday 23 rd March	New	Yrs 3 & 4 Sports Tournament
Friday 23 rd March		PTFA Easter Egg Hunt
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		Mrs Foster's Retirement Tea Party 2.00-4.30pm
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 18 th April		Yrs 5 & 6 Outdoor Learning
Thursday 19 th April		Class Photos
Friday 20 th April		Arc Theatre Workshop Yrs 5/6
Wednesday 25 th April		Reception Outdoor Learning
Wednesday 25 th April		Team from Years 1 & 2 for Athletics Waddesdon 3.30-5.00pm
Wednesday 2 nd May		Yrs 1 & 2 Outdoor Learning
Wednesday 9th May		Yrs 3 & 4 Outdoor Learning
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		Yrs 5 & 6 Outdoor Learning
Wednesday 16 th May		Team from Yrs 5 & 6 Rounders Tournament Waddesdon
Thursday 24 th May		Year 5 Science Fair
Friday 25 th May		School breaks up for Half Term
Monday 4 th June		School re-opens after Half Term
Friday 8 th June		PTFA Cream Teas



Monday 11 th June	Year 6 Games at Waddesdon
Friday 22 nd June	Yrs 5 & 6 Inter-school Sports Tournament
Monday 25 th June	10 Year 6 children going to Science Big Bang
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
Friday 6 th July	PTFA Summer Sizzler
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 1.00pm
Thursday 6 th September 2018	School re-opens after Summer Holiday
Friday 28 th September	Individual School Photographs

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