

Twyford C of E School



Encouraging
Excellence

Developing
Confidence

Inspiring
All



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/Carers,

So many children have arrived in school today wearing red, white and blue to help celebrate the Royal Wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. The children are spending the day working on 'Royal Wedding' themed activities and will share their work with the rest of the school this afternoon - I am looking forward to seeing what they have been doing.

Years 3 & 4 had a wonderful time yesterday on their trip to the Verulamium Museum in St Albans, where they were immersed in Roman life for the day. Upon return to school the children were very keen to tell me about their experiences - one even said "it was the best trip ever!"

I am very proud of the children in Year 6 this week as they undertook the statutory end of KS2 SATs testing. They have all worked extremely hard, not only during this week, but in the time leading up to these assessments. The learning attitudes they showed of perseverance and determination were excellent - well done Year 6!

I am delighted to inform you that the school has successfully been awarded the Silver Quality Assurance Mark for Science (PSQM). This is the result of a lot of hard work to increase the profile and quality of science teaching in the school. You can continue to help strengthen this at home by encouraging your child to participate in the 50 Super Science things to do before you're 11 $\frac{3}{4}$. Take a look at the Science section of the website if you haven't already as this has all the details of the activities you can do. When a challenge has been completed, please bring your child's evidence into school to share with the class teacher or email a photo through to the office. Certificates are awarded for every 10 challenges completed.

Over the past few weeks I have been reviewing the way in which children enter school in the morning and what happens at the beginning of the school day. From next Monday, 21st May, there will be a few changes as follows. Children may enter the school site as usual from 8:40am. Then, instead of lining up on the playground, the classroom doors will open at 8:45am and your child can enter the classroom then, through the classroom door. There will be an adult to greet them. The morning is a busy time, so please refrain from entering the classroom with your child as any messages can be passed on, if needed, via the adult at the door. At 8:55am the classroom doors will close and the register will be taken before 9:00am. If your child arrives after this time, please enter the school via the main entrance and your child will be recoded as late. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Reception - walk through the side gate for Nursery and then enter via your classroom door.

Yrs 1 & 2 and 3 & 4 - enter your classroom door at the front of the school.

Yrs 5 & 6 - walk around the hall and then enter via your classroom door.

There has been an update regarding the status of Twyford C of E School becoming an Academy. Please read the attached letter from Russell Wood our Chair of Governors, outlining the changes and the decisions made.

After the half-term break if you are intending on taking your child out of school during term time, you will now need to complete a 'Request for Leave of Absence' Form. These are available from the school office. This will help us keep formal records of absences that are required.

Yours sincerely



Judith Bloomfield
Headteacher

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

We monitor attendance throughout the school. Every fortnight we will be looking at the year group which has the best attendance and sharing this with you in the newsletters.

Year Group	Attendance %
Reception	97.22
Year 1	89.87
Year 2	89.93
Year 3	96.15
Year 4	93.52
Year 5	96.97
Year 6	93.06



Well done to **Reception** who have achieved the highest attendance rate for 30th April - 11th May 2018.

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK 21st - 25th May



It's **National Walk to School Week** next week. Due to all the road works/removal lorries etc. in and around Church Street, Main Street and School Lane at the moment, wouldn't it be better to just leave your car at home or park

at the top of the village and walk to school!

A generation ago 70% of us walked to school, now it's less than half. It has been proven that children who do some form of exercise, especially a walk to school, do better in class because they arrive refreshed, fit and ready to learn.

TENNIS COACHING



After half-term KS1 and LKS2 will be taking part in some tennis coaching on a Thursday afternoon organised, by Marsh Gibbon Tennis Club. KS1 for the

first two weeks and then LKS2 for the second two weeks). This is a great opportunity for your children to enjoy the game under the guidance of experienced coaches. If your child really takes to it then you could contact the club to find out about the opportunity of further coaching sessions.

Don't forget, Sunday 13th May 1.00-4.00pm is the chance for children to 'Try Tennis for Free' at Marsh Gibbon Tennis Club. Non-members are welcome.

LOST PROPERTY



There have been a number of jumpers and sweatshirts going missing recently. With the Summer *nearly* here, please can you ensure that all uniform is named. Children will take their jumpers off and not necessarily put them in their drawers or on their pegs straight away. On some occasions they have been put back in their PE bags. We do have an increasingly full box of lost property in the school foyer, so if your child has lost any uniform in the last few weeks please have a look in the box.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

Dates for this 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 if it has been wet and sun hats and sun cream if we are lucky to have some sunny weather. Outdoor learning sessions take place straight after lunchtime.

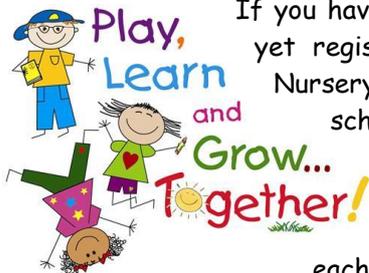
23/5/18	Reception	Pond/River Dipping
6/6/18	Year 1 & 2	Pond/River Dipping
13/6/18	Year 3 & 4	Pond/River Dipping
20/6/18	Year 5 & 6	Pond/River Dipping
27/6/18	Reception	Butterfly Hunt/Nature Walk
4/7/18	Year 1 & 2	Butterfly Hunt/Nature Walk
11/7/18	Year 3 & 4	Butterfly Hunt/Nature Walk
18/7/18	Year 5 & 6	Butterfly Hunt/Nature Walk

DON'T FORGET SUN HATS AND SUN CREAM



With the weather getting warmer, please could you ensure that your child has a named sun hat and water bottle in school and that sun cream has been applied in the morning.

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 week. To discuss funding and availability, talk to Julie Hall in the office.

PREMIER EDUCATION

Premier Education will be running the following clubs in the Summer term.



What's on at Twyford with Premier

Day	Sport	Time	Price	Ages
Tuesday	Cricket	3:15pm-4:15pm	£49.50	Open to Y2-6
Friday	Football	3:15pm-4:30pm	£49.50	Open to Y1-6
	Musical Theatre	3:15pm-4:30pm	£49.50	Open to Y1-6

Clubs will start week beginning 23rd April and will finish week beginning 9th July (11 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 - mhutt@premier-education.com - www.premier-education.com

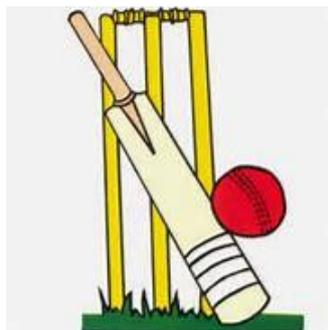
PAYMENTS



If you are sending money into school please could you ensure that any cheques or cash are in a named envelope. All cheques should be made payable to **Buckinghamshire County**

Council. Any cheque payments for Hot Lunches should be made payable to **Compass Group**.

CALLING ALL BUDDING CRICKETERS



Don't forget about the Twyford Cricket Club practice sessions running on a Sunday morning from 10am to 11.45am at Twyford Recreation Ground. There are two sessions left, **13th and 20th May**. No formal kit is necessary for practice

- just regular sports kit - but please bring water and sun screen, as the weather should be good! Everyone is welcome to come along, although anyone who wants to become a full member of the squad will need to register for a subscription of £20 - this covers the whole season and will pay for match balls, teas, some kit and insurance.

For more information please contact Richard Wade on either 01296 738585 or 07740 637621 (or by email at richard.wade@blakemorgan.co.uk).

STAMP COLLECTING

Thank you to everyone who has donated stamps. So far we have collected 863g of stamps which have been sent to the charity to be turned into fundraising for them. Please keep donating, as we are still collecting if anyone has any stamps or old stamp collections. We are now collecting for the Bone Cancer Research Trust.

Bone Cancer Research Trust

STAMP APPEAL

The Bone Cancer Research Trust is the leading charity dedicated to fighting primary bone cancer

Save your new and used stamps from the UK and overseas, presentation packs, albums, gold labels and first day covers to help us raise money for Bone Cancer Research Trust.
Please leave a border of up to 1cm of paper to protect the stamp.

Please send the stamps to:

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



For more information
Call: 01268 565846
Email: charitystampappeal@gmail.com
Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Number: 1159590



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

18 May 2018

GARDENING CLUB



Mrs Bloomfield will be running a lunch-time Gardening Club for any children who are interested. This will be on an adhoc basis, so when the weather permits any children interested can just take part.

Children in Nursery and Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 can order a meal at a cost of £2.40 per day.

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.

Bucks ART WEEKS #100 womenartists
11am-5pm 20th May 2018

Claydon Estate are teaming up with Bucks Art Weeks on Sunday the 20th May to host '#100WomenArtists' in recognition of the centenary of Women's Suffrage and the long road to equality.

FREE Parking
FREE Entry
FREE activities for children including suffragette badge making and silhouette painting and a large public canvas for everyone to paint
Elizabeth Crawford to give a talk about Suffrage Art
Come along for a fun day of art and History

Some of the 100 woman artists will be painting, sketching and demonstrating their skills, in the courtyard and gardens. Several will be set up to paint a suffragette (in period costume)

CLAYDON ESTATE
MIDDLE CLAYDON
BUCKS
MK18 2EX

Premier Whitsun Holiday MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP
Lace Hill Academy, Buckingham, MK18 7RR
Thurs 31st May & Fri 1st June

School Day £15.00 9.00am-3.30pm
Xtra-time Option £20.00 8.30am-4.00pm
Half Day £10.00 9.00am-1.00pm (Suitable for 4 year olds)

15% OFF! Book before 15th May to receive your early bird rate!

TIMES	MULTI SPORTS	ARTS
9am-10am	Football	Gymnastics
10am-11am	Football	Cheerleading
11am-12pm	Archery & Fencing	Arts & Crafts
1pm-2pm	Tag Rugby	Street Dance
2pm-3pm	Dodgeball	Musical Theatre

BOOK ONLINE TODAY premier-education.com
for all enquiries email: mhutt@premier-education.com
facebook/premier-sport-buckinghamshire

Book over phone 01953 499 040

HOT LUNCHES

You should have all received the new Hot Lunch Order Form for this half-term in book bags, along with a copy of the menu. A copy is also available to download from the school website and a menu is at the end of this Newsletter. **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.

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 2018

- 24 June Marsh Gibbon Village Hall
- 22 July Charndon Community Centre

Come and join us!

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



The PTFA have sent out a letter, which you all should have received by now, stating that 5 of us are standing down from their committee positions at the end of the school year. If the PTFA is to continue we need more parents to step up and take part. The PTFA raises between £5,000 and £8,000 each year, without this money our children will miss out on essential resources that the school budget won't stretch to. The Cream Teas and the Summer Sizzler are excellent opportunities to learn, so please consider getting involved. Please come and talk to one of us.

PTFA Meeting Tuesday 5th June - Please come along to the meeting and support your hard working PTFA. 8.00pm at school. If you are thinking of taking a more active role next year then why not come along and see what goes on.

CREAM TEAS - FRIDAY 8th JUNE 2PM



This is a lovely event that is great for all ages, families and friends - everyone is welcome. We will be asking for donations of homemade scones for our Cream Tea event. We also need

helpers to set up, clear away and wash up.

BREAK THE RULES FRIDAY

We are trying out a new fundraiser on Friday 15th June. We will send out a list of rules that the children can pay to break. More details to follow.....

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Friday 6th July - World Cup Summer. This is a really important family event in our school calendar, but it takes a lot of organisation. Please can you help?

ICE LOLLIES

As the weather improves (hopefully!) we will be selling ice lollies for £1 after school on certain days. Look out for the text alerts from school and details on the PTFA Blackboard.

A Message from Lisa Machay

As many of you are aware I will be leaving at the end of this half term.

I just wanted to say a big thank you to all of my friends on the PTFA, I say friends, as over the years we have been working together we all have become friends.

Sarah it has been amazing being joint treasurer with you we have had so much fun couldn't of wished for a better friend. Being on the PTFA has honestly made mine and Mason's time at Twyford school so much more enjoyable, I believe me being involved in the PTFA has given Mason more confidence at school and also given me a sense of pride and achievement for all we have raised for the school.

As you will be aware most of the PTFA are stepping down this year and I really hope that other parents will take on the roles as honestly, although hard work at times it's also fun, rewarding and most importantly helping the school.

Lastly would like to say a huge thank you to The Chairpersons Katherine and Imogen throughout the time of me being involved you are always thanking others but never yourselves so a big THANK YOU

Going to miss all of you

Lisa x

STARLIGHT CLOTHING BINS

Thank you to everyone who has put old clothing into the bins at Twyford Village Stores and Calvert Green Mace. We raised



£340 in April, so thank you to everyone who put old clothes in. Why not sort through your winter wardrobe next? **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. 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

BUCKS COUNTY MUSEUM

Half Term Events

Paul Kidby: Discworld and Beyond
Exhibition continues until 30 June
Terry Pratchett's Discworld novels are brought to life through the brilliant illustrations of Paul Kidby. £4 adults, under 18s by donation.

Join the Roman Army
28 May 11am, 1pm & 2.30pm
Meet our resident Roman soldier ready for action! Families will have the chance to enlist as recruits & be taught drill, tactics & battle moves. £2 per person.

Fabulous Ceramic Painting
29 May 10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm
Design your very own cup, mug, bowl or mini-planter. We will supply paints for you to design & decorate your own creation. From £4 per item. Drop in.

Medieval Family Puppet Show: Beowulf
30 & 31 May 11.30am & 3.30pm
Medieval Family Puppet Show: Viking Tales
30 & 31 May 1.30pm
Full of daft humour, live music, eccentric puppets & audience participation. Rattlebox Theatre Company perform the classic story of the warrior Beowulf & Viking Tales which bring magic & laughter to all ages. £5 per person.

Meet the Curator
1 June, 11am-12pm & 1pm-2pm
Meet our curators in the galleries and get up close to museum objects with hands-on animal skulls at 11am and mystery museum objects at 1pm. Just turn up.

Don't miss the fabulous Roald Dahl Children's Gallery for hands-on discovery and amazing science inspired by Roald Dahl's wonderful stories.

For more information and booking details visit:
www.buckscountymuseum.org or T. **01296 331441**
Bucks County Museum Church Street, Aylesbury HP20 2QP
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TERM DATES - 2017/18 and 2018/19

Summer Term 2018	Tuesday 17 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		
Friday 18 th May		Royal Wedding Off Curricular Day
Wednesday 23 rd May		Year 5 Puberty Talk by School Nurse
Thursday 24 th May		Year 5 Science Fair
Friday 25 th May		School breaks up for Half Term
Friday 25 th May		Nursery and Reception trip to Woburn Safari Park
Monday 4 th June		School re-opens after Half Term
Tuesday 5 th June		PTFA Meeting 8.00pm School
Thursday 7 th June		Tennis Coaching
Thursday 7 th June	<i>New</i>	Yr 5 & 6 Football Match v Marsh Gibbon School
Friday 8 th June		PTFA Cream Teas
Thursday 14 th June		Tennis Coaching
Friday 15 th June	<i>New</i>	Break the Rules Friday
Monday 18 th June	<i>New</i>	Yr 3 & 4 (6 children) Badminton Final @ Stoke Mandeville
Wednesday 20 th June		Waddesdon new starters visiting Waddesdon School 9.30-10.30
Thursday 21 st June		Tennis Coaching
Friday 22 nd June		Yr 5 & 6 Inter-school Sports Tournament
Monday 25 th June		10 Year 6 children going to Science Big Bang
Wednesday 27 th June	<i>New</i>	11+ Presentation Meeting for all Year 5 Parents
Thursday 28 th June		Years 1 & 2 Small Schools Festival 9-2pm
Thursday 28 th June		Tennis Coaching
Friday 29 th June		Reception vision checks by School Nurse 9.15am
Tuesday 3 rd July		Transition Day
Tuesday 3 rd July		Reception Class Sept 2018 Parents Meeting
Wednesday 4 th July		Transition Day Secondary
Friday 6 th July		PTFA Summer Sizzler 6.00pm
Tuesday 10 th July		Sports Day
Wednesday 11 th July	<i>Change</i>	Year 6 Games
Friday 13 th July		Last day for all school clubs
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
Tuesday 11 th September		Transfer Tests - Preparation Test
Thursday 13 th September		Transfer Test - Transfer Test
Friday 28 th September		Individual School Photographs
Monday 1 st October	New	Flu immunisations Reception - Year 5
Thursday 11 th October	New	Open Day 10-11.30am and 1.30-3.00pm
Friday 12 th October		Transfer Test Results
Friday 19 th October		School breaks up for Half Term
Monday 29 th October		School re-opens after Half Term

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SUMMER 2018 MENU

	Week one	Week two	Week three	
Monday	09/04 30/04 20/05 11/06 02/07 23/07 03/09 24/09 15/10 Choose a main meal... Chicken Korma with Rice Macaroni Cheese Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Apricot Shortbread Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	16/04 07/05 28/05 18/06 09/07 10/09 01/10 Choose a main meal... *Pepperoni Pizza on a Wholemeal Base Cheese & Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Strawberry Muffin Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	23/04 14/05 04/06 25/06 16/07 27/08 17/09 08/10 Choose a main meal... Macaroni Cheese Veggie Bolognese with Pasta Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Chocolate Cookie Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	 All our milk is Red Tractor approved
Tuesday	Choose a main meal... *Beef Lasagne with a Garlic Roll Cheese & Tomato Pizza on a Wholemeal Base Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna & Salmon Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Dorset Apple Cake with Custard Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Choose a main meal... BBQ Chicken with Rice Cheese & Tomato Pizza on a Wholemeal Base Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Peach Sponge Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Choose a main meal... Mild Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice Cheese & Tomato Pizza on a Wholemeal Base Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Sticky Toffee Apple Sponge with Custard Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	 WE BUY 95% of our seasonal vegetables direct from British growers
Wednesday	Choose a main meal... Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Roast Quorn with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans or Grated Cheese on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Muller Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Choose a main meal... *Roast Ham with New Potatoes Vegetarian Hot Pot with New Potatoes Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans or Grated Cheese on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Apple Crumble with Custard Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Choose a main meal... Roast Turkey with Mashed Potato & Gravy Veggie Sausage & Bean Casserole Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans or Grated Cheese on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Custard Pot Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	 FRESH SALAD IS AVAILABLE ON A DAILY BASIS
Thursday	Choose a main meal... *Pork Sausages with Mashed Potato Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potato Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Mixed Fruit Crumble with Custard Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Choose a main meal... Chicken Fillet Burger in a Bun & Mayo with Jacket Wedges Mixed Bean Chili with Jacket Wedges Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Muller Yoghurt Fresh Fruit	Choose a main meal... *Beef Burger in a Bun with Jacket Wedges Veggie Hotdog in a Bun with Jacket Wedges Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans, Grated Cheese or Tuna Mayo on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Apple & Blackcurrant Crumble with Custard Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	 REDUCING OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT OVER 30% of our products are transported by vehicles that run on biodiesel
Friday	Choose a main meal... Fish with Chips Quorn Burger in a Bun with Chips Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans or Grated Cheese on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Iced Carrot Cake Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Choose a main meal... Fish Fingers with Chips Butternut Squash & Chick Pea Curry with Chips Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans or Grated Cheese on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... Lemon Drizzle Cake Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Choose a main meal... Fish Cake with Diced Potatoes Vegetable Grill with Diced Potatoes Jacket Potato with a choice Baked Beans or Grated Cheese on the side... Seasonal Vegetables for dessert... St Clements Sponge Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	 FARM TO FORK We can trace every cut of meat back to the farms of origin

SPRINGSUMMER 2018 MENU, BUCKS, NORTHAMPTON, BESS, MILTON KEENS *Contains Pork or Beef
THEME DAYS: 17th May; 4th July & 4th Oct
For details on how to claim free school meals, please speak to your catering manager or contact us





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ALL OUR BREAD IS FRESHLY BAKED EVERY DAY

ALL OUR BANANAS ARE FAIRTRADE



Letter from Russell Wood, Chair of Governors.

18th May 2018

Dear Parents,

It is important to advise you on the status of the school in its move to become an academy.

As you are aware we completed our operational due diligence and consultation period last year and decided to proceed to join the newly forming multi-academy trust - ODBST (Oxford Diocese Bucks School Trust).

The DfE gave their approvals and we started to look more into the detailed financial transition to look to set a sensible go live date that would not over burden the school office resources.

It was at this point that the initial guidance we had been provided with, namely that the move would be cost neutral for the school started to cause concern. We deferred our go live date whilst we reviewed the costings in more depth.

It was equally important for our new headteacher to also become involved and review all the findings in light of how she may wish to structure the school in the future and any implications this would impose.

At the same time it became clear that both the political landscape regarding academies and the concern around the level of support and costs from Bucks County Council had changed. The Government is no longer pursuing a directive that all schools must become academies. In fact, it seems that the latest advice is that to obtain approval, you have to prove that in doing so it will add value to the outcomes of pupils in the school.

Costs of Bucks County Council services have been refined to assist the smaller schools like Twyford.

As a result of our detailed financial due diligence, it is unfortunately clear that it would cost the school significantly more annually to become an academy either with ODBST or indeed any other MAT. It seems that this concern is also borne out by recent articles in the national press which indicates that 80% of academies now have some level of financial deficit. Please note, Twyford School's present financial position is robust, under control and in the black.

Therefore the Governors took the decision to withdraw from the move to become an academy in the governing body meeting of 8th May. We have informed ODBST & BCC accordingly.

To be absolutely clear, ODBST have not done anything wrong, their values and passion are not in question and we will aim to keep in contact with them in case the strategic landscape changes. If that central government pressure or local authority support does change, we know where to revisit and we do not believe ODBST would rebuff our advances.

Yours sincerely



Russell Wood

18 May 2018