



13 June 2021



Issue 17

Our value is 'Respect'

I will **respect** everyone and treat everyone how I would like to be treated.



"Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Luke 6:31

At long last the weather has brightened up and we have been enjoying some lovely sunny days in school. The children and teachers have been making the most of this and taken some of their lessons outside. Therefore, please apply sun cream on your child before school each morning. During time outside we encourage children to wear a sun hat to help protect them from the sun. Sunglasses will not be allowed. If your child is bringing a hat into school, please make sure it has their name clearly written inside. Likewise, water bottles need to be named and filled with water, not juice. We can refill bottles with fresh water during the day if needed.

Many of you may be aware that the number of positive Covid cases in our area has increased over the past two weeks and other schools have had to move bubbles of children to remote learning once again. Please ensure that you are following the guidance in place, remembering 'hands, face, space' and keeping socially distanced from people when you meet up in order to minimise the risk of transmission.

We have been very fortunate to receive an anonymous donation to school this week. We are extremely grateful to the gentleman who shared his good fortune with us, and we will be spending it on Science resources.

In previous years, we have sold ice lollies after school during the summer term to help raise money for FOTS (Friends of Twyford School). This was always very popular and we are planning on starting this again every Friday for the remainder of the summer term. Each week, we need two volunteers to set up and sell the ice lollies at the end of the school day. If you can help with this, starting next week, please get in touch with the school office.

You will be receiving a letter next week from our FOTS committee about their upcoming AGM. We are looking for new committee members to become involved in working together with our parent community to raise money in order to support the wonderful experiences we can offer our children at Twyford. This has always been such an important part of school life and I would love to see FOTS become fully active again following the difficult times we have been through recently in regards to the pandemic.

We are still asking for children to continue wearing PE kits on days when they have games lessons. Please can you ensure that this is correct PE uniform; a blue school PE top and navy shorts. If the weather is cooler, then the school hoodie and navy jogging bottoms can be worn. Recently we have seen an increase in the number of items worn on PE days which are not part of our uniform. If your child is attending a sports club after school and it is not a PE day, then they need to wear their usual school uniform and bring a bag with suitable clothes to change into for the club.

A number of families have recently requested holiday absence forms. I would like to remind everyone that absences related to holidays will always be unauthorised and the details passed onto the local authority attendance team.

We received some exciting news this week that our playground is going to be resurfaced, commencing 28th June. Therefore, we will have to put into place a new system for entering and leaving the school site at the start and end of the school day. We are in discussions with the contractors at the moment about the schedule of works and once this is confirmed, we will be in touch to let you know what the changes are going to be.

With warmest wishes,

J Bloomfield

**Judith Bloomfield
Headteacher**



TERM DATES 2021/22/23

Summer Term 2021	Monday 19 th April 2021 Monday 7 th June 2021	Friday 28 th May 2021 Tuesday 20 th July 2021
Autumn Term 2021	Thursday 2 nd September 2021 Monday 1 st November 2021	Friday 22 nd October 2021 Friday 17 th December 2021
Spring Term 2022	Wednesday 5 th January 2022 Monday 28 th February 2022	Friday 18 th February 2022 Friday 8 th April 2022
Summer Term 2022	Monday 25 th April 2022 Monday 6 th June 2022	Friday 27 th May 2022 Tuesday 19 th July 2022
Autumn Term 2022	Monday 5 th September 2022 Monday 31 st October 2022	Friday 21 st October 2022 Tuesday 20 th December 2022
Spring Term 2023	Wednesday 4 th January 2023 Monday 20 th February 2023	Friday 10 th February 2023 Friday 31 st March 2023
Summer Term 2023	Monday 17 th April 2023 Monday 5 th June 2023	Friday 26 th May 2023 Friday 21 st July 2023

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 2nd July		Year 5/6 Visit to Waddesdon Manor
Thursday 8th July	<i>New</i>	Year 5/6 Visit to Go Ape
Monday 12th July	<i>New</i>	School Nurse Year 1 Screening Check
Thursday 15th July	<i>New</i>	Year 3/4 Visit to Waddesdon Manor
Thursday 15th July		Year 5/6 Visit to Think Tank, Birmingham
Tuesday 20th July		Summer Term Ends 1.30pm
Wednesday 21st July		INSET Day
Wednesday 1st September		INSET Day
Thursday 2nd September		Autumn Term starts
Monday 6th September		Autumn Term starts for Nursery children
Tuesday 21st September		Individual school photographs
Friday 22nd October		School breaks up for half term
Monday 1st November	<i>New</i>	INSET Day
Tuesday 2nd November	<i>Change</i>	School re-opens after half term
Monday 22nd November	<i>New</i>	Flu vaccinations – Year R to Year 6
Friday 17th December		School breaks up for Christmas holiday
Tuesday 4th January 2022	<i>New</i>	INSET Day
Wednesday 5th January 2022	<i>Change</i>	Spring term starts
Friday 18th February 2022		School breaks up for half term
Monday 28th February 2022		School re-opens after half term
Friday 8th April 2022		School breaks up for Easter holiday
Monday 25th April 2022		Summer term starts
Monday 2nd May 2022		Bank Holiday – School closed
Friday 27th May 2022		School breaks up for half term
Monday 6th June 2022		School re-opens after half term
Tuesday 5th July 2022		Proposed Transition Day
Tuesday 19th July 2022	<i>Change</i>	School breaks up for summer holiday

Wednesday 20th July 2022	<i>New</i>	INSET Day
Thursday 21st July 2022	<i>New</i>	INSET Day